

Coos Bay

Grant writer brings in over \$6 million for city projects

By NATE SCHWARTZ
Editor

In recent official communications, the City of Coos Bay shone a spotlight on the efforts of their grant program. According to Coos Bay Mayor Joe Benetti, the city took important steps to develop a more robust research and application process back at the turn of last year.



“In January 2025, Coos Bay made a shift and a determined effort to bring outside funds in to support city projects, through the development of a position dedicated to grant research, writing and administration,” wrote Benetti. “This effort not only centralized our grant effort, but it has also strengthened every aspect of the grant process.”

That centralization has proved to be successful. Under Grant Coordinator, Christina Tiexeira, the city’s various departments have brought in \$6,346,642 in grant funding to bolster services from emergency response, to recreation to healthcare.

One such grant was a large chunk of the recently announced Oregon Health Authority Rural Health Transformation grants. The city will receive over \$900,000 of the \$97 million announced to help rural communities close the healthcare gaps that are all too prevalent in underserved areas.

“These awards support practical, community-driven efforts to improve access to health in rural Oregon,” stated OHA Director Dr. Sejal Hathi. “Rural communities know their needs best, and this funding is intended to help them strengthen local services, expand workforce capacity, and address barriers that make it harder for people to get care close to home.”

The Coos Bay proposal was one of 103 selected as part of the allotment’s Program Catalyst pool. According to OHA, these projects are meant to address maternal and child health, co-occurring mental health conditions and substance use disorder, aging in place, or chronic disease programs. The Coos Bay proposal in specifically meant to tackle the issue of cardiac arrest survival rate, even beyond city limits.

“From all that focus, our greatest success is often most noticeable within one grant, such as a recent award from Oregon Health Authority, under their Rural Healthcare Transformation program,” wrote Benetti. “With a robust grant program like we intentionally and continually are building, we can ensure that not only the Coos Bay community benefits but surrounding communities as well. With this \$911,520 grant, we will be acquiring modern cardiac care equipment to be strategically distributed to emer-

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Oregon's Adventure Coast gives semi-annual presentation

By NATE SCHWARTZ
Editor

At the Coos Bay City Council meeting on July 22, a presentation from the Coos Bay-North Bend-Charleston Visitor and Convention Bureau (VCB), branded as Oregon’s Adventure Coast, boasted some strong numbers and trends over the last fiscal year. Executive Director of the bureau, Janice Langlinais, broke things down for the council.

“We are the destination marketing organization for Coos Bay, North Bend and Charleston,” opened Langlinais. “We do all the advertising, marketing, travel-trade relations, state advocacy and regional participation... We also handle some visitors services, which includes our visitor’s information centers. Not only the one we contract with the city to manage, but the other two in North Bend and Charleston to help them where we can.”

With the goal of boosting tourism to the area, the VCB was established in 2010 as an inter-governmental agency between the sister cities and the Coquille Tribe. In 2022, a county-wide vote brought Charleston, and therefore Coos County, into the fold. The organization is funded in large part through a share of Transient Lodging Taxes (TLT) brought into the area by the very same tourists and travelers the bureau hope to attract.

Currently, the VCB share of the full split of TLT funds is a around 39%, with the bulk of it still going to the taxing entities. Until 2019, when another 2.5% was added to the TLT there was roughly a 70/30 split between the entities and the bureau. Despite recent developments in Salem that allow cities to use TLT funds more flexibly, the City of Coos Bay went the opposite direction. A ballot proposal for November



Coos Bay - North Bend-Charleston Visitor and Convention Bureau.

would enshrine that ratio in the Coos Bay City Charter. Should it pass, it would require a vote of the people to reallocate tourism investment toward other city services.

Last year’s budget for the VCB was roughly \$1.6 million, including over \$300,000 carried over from the previous fiscal year. Another nearly \$900,000 came directly from the total TLT revenue, with the rest of the budget made up of income from the visitor’s centers, the management fees for those centers and several grants. According to Lanlinais, the budget for next year will be slightly smaller given trends in the tourism industry.

“What we’re looking at in Fiscal Year 2027 is a slightly smaller budget. We had a \$1.63 million budget this year. We have brought that down to \$1.5 million for this coming fiscal year. We’re trying to be a little more

conservative in our budgeting due to a little bit of a downturn in the tourism industry as a whole because of the economy, and of course gas prices.”

Despite that wider downturn in the industry, the VCB has seemed to be effective in their role. Overall visitor spending in the county was up over 5% from the previous fiscal year, according to a commissioned report from economic consulting firm Dean Runyan Associates.

In Coos County as a whole, over nearly \$354 million dollars was spent by tourists, travelers and other visitors. This represents a 5.6% increase over the previous year and is estimated to support 3,700 jobs across relevant industries.

Zooming in a bit further to Coos Bay, North Bend and Charleston, “the Adventure Coast” makes up about 44% of that county total. That put the

area at around \$155 million in visitor spending, also up nearly 5% on the previous year. That is expected to support 2,100 jobs across the three communities.

That spending generates a significant amount of tax revenue for the area. County-wide, tourism accounted for \$16.8 million in taxes generated, with \$4.6 million being local taxes and \$12.2 going to the state. Once again zooming in on their three communities of focus, the \$8.4 generated in Coos Bay, North Bend and Charleston makes up about 50% of the county total, with \$2.7 million staying in the area.

To calculate the return on investment (ROI) of the VCB’s marketing efforts, a method developed by the University of Massachusetts was used.

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CCEC completes one of the largest infrastructure investments in Coop history

For the World



After six years of planning, investment and construction, Coos-Curry Electric Cooperative (CCEC) and its subsidiary, Beacon Broadband (BBI), have completed the fiber network that now makes high-speed internet service available to members across CCEC’s service territory.

The milestone marks the completion of one of the largest infrastructure investments in the cooperative’s 88-year history. Built to serve members and communities for decades to come, the network expands access to reliable broadband, strengthens the electric system, improves outage response, supports wildfire monitoring and creates new opportunities throughout Oregon’s South Coast.

The project reflects the same member-focused mission that has guided CCEC for nearly 90 years: investing in essential infrastructure that improves quality of life and creates value for the people and communities it serves.

More than 7,000 homes and businesses are already connected to BBI, but the benefits extend well beyond broadband. The fiber network serves as a secure communications backbone for CCEC’s electric system, supporting today’s operations while

creating a foundation for future system improvements.

“At its core, this project was about serving our members and investing in the future of the communities we call home,” said Daniel Loshbaugh, president of the Coos-Curry Electric Cooperative Board of Directors. “The network expands access to reliable broadband, while also strengthening the electric system our members depend on every day. That’s the cooperative difference. We make investments based on long-term community benefit, not short-term returns.”

Investing in Infrastructure that Serves Members

CCEC’s decision to build fiber was rooted in a simple belief: members in rural communities deserve access to the same opportunities and services available elsewhere.

As a member-owned coopera-

tive, CCEC committed to making service available throughout its territory, including remote communities that have historically been overlooked for broadband investment. It was a long-term investment driven by community need and the cooperative’s commitment to serving all members.

Bringing fiber to one of the most rural regions in the Pacific Northwest required years of determination and collaboration. Crews navigated rugged terrain, secured permits and easements, worked through weather challenges and supply chain disruptions, and constructed infrastructure across hundreds of miles of service territory.

That commitment continues a legacy that stretches back generations.

In 1962, Agness became one of the last communities in CCEC’s service territory to receive electricity after crews extended service through rugged terrain to the remote community, located 32 miles up the Rogue River. More than 60 years later, BBI extended fiber to that same community, bringing access to telehealth services, online education, remote work opportunities and critical communications. Technology has changed. The cooperative’s commitment to serving rural communities has not.

Benefits Beyond Broadband

While expanding access to reliable high-speed internet was a primary goal, the fiber network also delivers significant benefits for the cooperative’s electric system and the members who depend on it. Fiber now connects every CCEC substation, enabling real-time communication between substations, field equipment and system operators. The network improves outage detection, increases system visibility and provides crews with better information to more effectively operate the system.

The network also supports weather stations and monitoring equipment that provide real-time environmental information, strengthening wildfire monitoring and helping the cooperative manage risk. In remote areas where cellular coverage is limited, the fiber infrastructure strengthens communications capabilities and provides a foundation for future technologies that will continue improving the safety, efficiency and reliability of the electric system.

These investments benefit every cooperative member.

Reliable broadband also creates opportunities throughout

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Chamber Minute

FROM THE DESK OF
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Chamber of Commerce

There is a saying that success happens when preparation meets opportunity. Here in Oregon’s Bay Area, we believe that opportunity is on the horizon, and now is the time for our business community to prepare.

The Bay Area Chamber of Commerce has always believed that our greatest responsibility is helping local businesses succeed, not just today, but for the future. As our region continues to attract new investment and economic opportunities, we want to ensure our existing businesses are ready to grow, hire, compete, and take advantage of what lies ahead.



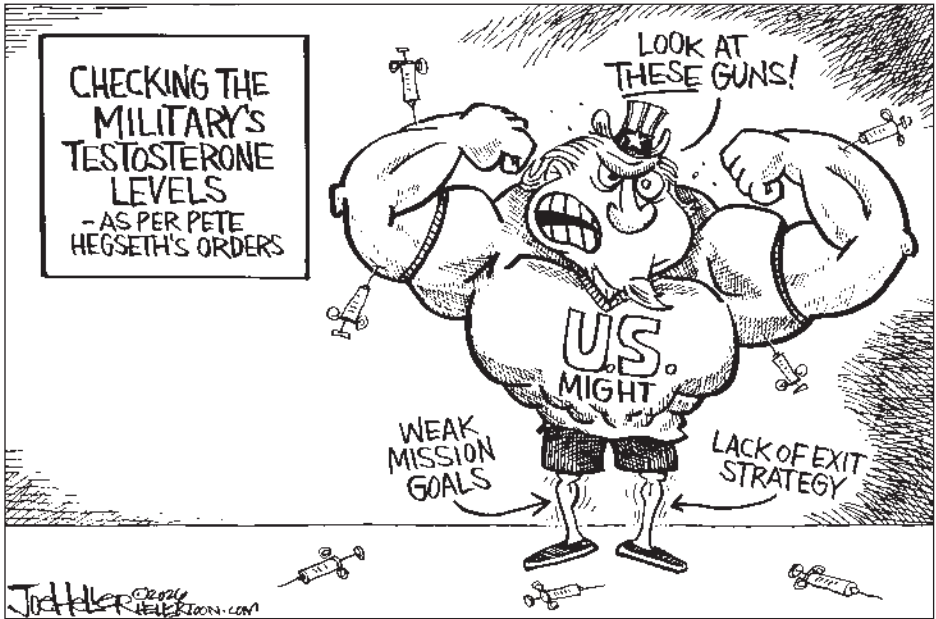
Whether you own a retail store, restaurant, construction company, professional service, manufacturing business, or are just getting started, there will be opportunities for those who are prepared. That means strengthening your business, building your workforce, learning new technologies, expanding your network, and staying engaged with your Chamber.

Over the coming months, we’ll be working with community partners to explore new ways to help businesses become “opportunity ready” through education, resources, connections, and practical tools that help your business thrive.

The Bay Area Chamber isn’t waiting for the future to happen. We’re helping our businesses prepare for it.

Stay involved. Attend Chamber events, connect with fellow members, and let us know what challenges and opportunities you’re seeing. Together, we can build a stronger, more resilient business community.

Because at the Bay Area Chamber of Commerce, our business is helping your business.



Holy Cow! History

The Hit Songwriter Veep

By J. MARK POWELL
InsideSources.com

In an age when it seems Americans can’t agree on much, one thing — and maybe just one — enjoys broad popular support: scrapping the twice-annual clock change. Poll after poll shows a clear majority of Democrats, Republicans and independents think it’s time to stop the twice-annual pain in the neck.

Congress is considering a bill that would make daylight saving time permanent. While this column never concerns itself with contemporary issues, the current debate makes this the perfect opportunity to visit what happened the last time Congress changed the time change 50-plus years ago.

And believe it or not, it all started in the Middle East. No, really!

On Saturday, Oct. 6, 1973, a coalition of Arab nations unleashed a major surprise attack on the Jewish state of Israel. It happened on Yom Kippur, Judaism’s holiest day of the year. The Israelis were caught flat-footed, and initial Arab successes had them on the ropes. Things looked dicey until President Richard Nixon authorized a massive airlift to resupply the Jewish defenders.

The attackers responded by following up with a long-promised threat. On Oct. 17, the Arab members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries set in motion plans to cut oil output.

With that, a new phrase entered the American vocabulary: the Energy



Crisis. And America went into total freakout mode. It was arguably the largest single instance of mass public hysteria since the Cuban Missile Crisis a decade earlier.

Congress in particular got its panties in a wad. Driven by a persistently repeated ominous threat that the world would run out of oil and natural gas by the year 2000 (spoiler alert: it didn’t), it rolled into action. It passed a slew of legislation intended to promote home insulation and energy conservation. Then it passed the Emergency Highway Energy Conservation Act of 1974, whose draconian effect was immortalized in Sammy Hagar’s classic rock hit, “I Can’t Drive 55,” imposing a national speed limit that stayed in effect for 13 years.

By far, its most controversial step was passing the clunky-sounding Emergency Daylight Saving Energy Conservation Act

of 1973. Starting at 2 a.m. on Sunday, Jan. 6 of the new year, the nation moved its clock ahead one hour on an experimental basis. The theory was that an extra hour of daylight would save power with reduced lighting and heating. (The same argument had been made 30 years earlier when the United States was placed on year-round DST time during World War II, with the only difference being it was called War Time then.)

Then, an interesting thing happened. Americans changed their minds in bulk.

In the closing weeks of 1973, when fear of empty gas stations and power outlets without electricity was at its peak, 79 percent of Americans told pollsters they supported year-round DST. However, when alarm clocks started ringing in January, and people were roused out of bed in pitch darkness, they began having second thoughts.

Opponents pounced. They painted dark prospects in the minds of worried parents. Would little junior, now trudging to the local schoolhouse in near-total blackout conditions, be embarking on a Death March? Concerned civic groups even donated adhesive reflective strips

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Letter to the Editor

Democracy works better when we exercise our right to vote

As the November elections approach, we are reminded that democracy depends on active participation. Voting is one of the most important ways citizens can make their voices heard and help shape the future of our country. But civic engagement should not stop at casting of our own ballots. Each of us can play an important role in motivating

others to vote as well.

An effective way to do this is by sending postcards out to registered voters who don’t always participate in elections. An easy way to do this is by using Activate America to send post cards to prospective voters.

The Activate America website (<https://activateamerica.vote>) provides free of charge lists of names and addresses of prospective voters to send postcards to, and a short script to write on the post cards that encourages the receiver of the postcards to vote for candidates that will put the people of our country first, not corporations and the

wealthy.

We all benefit when more citizens take part in the democratic process. Higher voter participation strengthens our communities and ensures that a broader range of voices are represented.

This November, let us encourage one another to stay informed, participate respectfully, and make voting a shared civic responsibility. Democracy works best when everyone has a chance to be heard.

Jon Miller
Coos Bay



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• **Coos Bay**

• **July 16**

• 8:16 am, Newmark Ave, unauthorized use of vehicle.

• 12:25 pm, S Wall St, warrant service.

• 12:28 pm, Vine Ave, theft.

• 1:33 pm, Ocean Blvd, theft of mail.

• 1:55 pm, Holland Ave, disorderly conduct.

• 3:49 pm, 34th and Ocean Blvd, hit and run.

• 3:59 pm, Thompson Rd, criminal trespass.

• 5:38 pm, S Broadway St, criminal trespass.

• 7:13 pm, Newmark Ave, warrant service.

• 7:34 pm, Newmark and Wall, warrant service.

• 8:34 pm, S 4th St, criminal trespass.

• 8:57 pm, Evans Blvd, criminal trespass.

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• **July 17**

• 2:31 am, Central Ave, disorderly conduct.

• 3:52 am, Hwy 101 and Coos Sumner, warrant service.

• 8:53 am, S Main St, theft.

• 9:32 am, Evans Blvd, criminal trespass.

• 11:30 am, S 4th St, shoplifting.

• 12:13 pm, S Bayshore Dr, violation of restraining order.

• 12:25 pm, S 1st St, theft.

• 12:32 pm, SE Douglas Ave, warrant service.

• 2:40 pm, Leaf Ter, dispute, neighbor.

• 4:24 pm, Timberline Dr and Forest Hills, non-injury accident.

• 5:08 pm, Newmark Ave, shoplifting.

• 5:17 pm, N Cammann St, criminal trespass.

• 6:48 pm, S Broadway St, hit and run.

• 8:33 pm, N Bayshore Dr, non-injury accident.

• 11:45 pm, N Morrison St, dispute.

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• **July 18**

• 12:53 am, Kruse and 2nd, warrant service.

• 1:13 am, Anderson Ave, threats.

• 1:30 am, 5th and Curtis, warrant service.

• 1:30 am, S Broadway St, theft.

• 2:06 am, SW Adams Ave, warrant service.

• 4:58 am, Thompson Rd, criminal trespass.

• 9:16 am, S 7th St, shoplifting.

• 9:43 am, N 9th St, assault, domestic.

• 2:59 pm, Newmark Ave, shoplifting.

• 7:08 pm, Newmark Walmart, assault.

• 9:03 pm, Koos Bay Blvd, hit and run.

• 9:42 pm, Newmark Ave, disorderly conduct.

• 10:41 pm, Hwy 101 and Koos Bay Blvd, disorderly conduct.

• 11:07 pm, Union Ave, dispute.

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• **July 19**

• 12:08 am, S Empire Blvd, criminal mischief.

• 12:47 am, Kentucky Ave, disorderly conduct.

• 1:54 am, B St, theft from vehicle.

• 5:15 am, California Ave, theft.

• 7:03 am, Newmark Ave, criminal trespass.

• 8:27 am, N Marple St, disturbance.

• 9:53 am, N Bayshore Dr, criminal mischief.

• 9:56 am, N Bayshore Dr, criminal mischief.

• 9:57 am, N 14th St, hit and run.

• 10:08 am, F St, dispute.

• 10:09 am, Schetter Ave, stalking.

• 11:15 am, Morrison St, dispute.

• 12:19 pm, N 9th St, dispute.

• 12:40 pm, N Cammann St, threats.

• 1:53 pm, S Empire Blvd, criminal trespass.

• 5:13 pm, Newmark Ave, shoplifting.

• 5:48 pm, Woodland Dr, accident.

• 6:20 pm, Hwy 101, warrant service.

• 7:16 pm, Newmark Ave, criminal trespass.

• 7:49 pm, 8th Ter, warrant service.

• 10:21 pm, S Wall St, disturbance.

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• 11:53 pm, Thompson Rd, criminal trespass.

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• **July 20**

• 6:50 am, Newmark Ave, graffiti.

• 7:19 am, Ocean Blvd, criminal mischief.

• 7:54 am, Holland Ave, arrest.

• 10:45 am, Newmark Ave, theft.

• 11:50 am, Airport Ln, warrant service.

• 2:14 pm, Newmark Ave, disorderly conduct.

• 2:40 pm, Newmark Ave, disorderly conduct.

• 3:36 pm, Ackerman Ave, juvenile problem.

• 6:32 pm, Fillmore St, assault.

• 7:19 pm, Holland Ave, warrant service.

• 7:25 pm, Newmark Ave, shoplifting.

• 9:46 pm, Ocean Blvd and Radar, DUII.

• 10:51 pm, NW Garden Valley Blvd, warrant service.

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• **July 21**

• 12:21 am, S Main St and Newmark Ave, juvenile problem.

• 7:27 am, N Wall St, criminal trespass.

• 7:38 am, Teakwood Ave, hit and run.

• 7:51 am, S Broadway St, criminal trespass.

• 8:16 am, N Wall St, criminal trespass.

• 11:48 am, Yew St, elderly abuse.

• 1:52 pm, S 2nd St, criminal trespass.

• 3:16 pm, S Broadway St, violation of restraining order.

• 6:21 pm, Newmark Ave, theft.

• 6:56 pm, Holland Ave, shots fired.

• 7:04 pm, Central Ave, warrant service.

• 8:17 pm, N Bayshore Dr and Hemlock Ave, non-injury accident.

• 8:27 pm, Hwy 20, warrant service.

• 9:31 pm, S 4th St, criminal trespass.

• 9:34 pm, Garfield St, assault.

• 9:36 pm, NW A St, warrant service.

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• **July 22**

• 2:34 am, Empire Boat Ramp, warrant service.

• 8:27 am, Newmark Ave,

theft.

• 8:47 am, Norman Ave, threats.

• 9:52 am, N Bayshore Dr, accident.

• 10:24 am, Ellensburg Ave, warrant service.

• 10:47 am, Kruse Ave, harassment.

• 11:17 am, S Empire Blvd, accident.

• 11:21 am, Puerto Vista Dr, criminal trespass.

• 11:37 am, Norman Ave, disorderly conduct.

• 1:22 pm, S Broadway and Cental, non-injury accident.

• 1:54 pm, N Broadway St, disorderly conduct.

• 2:36 pm, Puerto Vista Dr, criminal trespass.

• 2:47 pm, D St, criminal mischief.

• 3:42 pm, 25th St, threats.

• 3:44 pm, N Wall, disorderly conduct.

• 3:58 pm, S 1st St, criminal trespass.

• 4:04 pm, Newmark and N Main, disorderly conduct.

• 4:09 pm, Newmark Ave, criminal trespass.

• 4:21 pm, S 14th St, threats.

• 4:37 pm, Oregon Ave, theft.

• 5:45 pm, Behind Juniper, shots fired.

• 5:54 pm, Airport Ln, warrant service.

• 5:57 pm, Ingersoll Ave, hit and run.

• 6:19 pm, Main St, warrant service.

• 6:38 pm, S 4th St, harassment.

• 7:02 pm, E Market Ave, criminal trespass.

• 9:30 pm, Newmark Ave, criminal trespass.

• 9:59 pm, S Empire Blvd, burglary.

• 10:56 pm, E Johnson Ave, dispute.

• 11:57 pm, Newmark Ave, shoplifting.

• July 23

• 2:41 am, Newmark Ave, criminal trespass.

• 3:02 am, Newmark and Morrison, threats.

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• **Coquille**

• **July 16**

• 3:06 pm, Central and Myrtle Ln, warrant service.

• 3:10 pm, Shelley Rd,

criminal trespass.

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• **July 17**

• 3:02 pm, E 5th St, criminal trespass.

• 8:35 pm, N Birch St, assault.

• 10:46 pm, Hwy 42 W, criminal mischief.

• 11:45 pm, N Central, arrest.

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• **July 18**

• 4:17 pm, N Adams, threats.

• 7:17 pm, Hwy 42S, criminal mischief.

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• **July 19**

• 2:04 pm, Hwy 42 N, non-injury accident.

• 9:26 pm, E 3rd St, dispute, family.

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• **July 20**

• 12:32 pm, N Central Blvd, theft.

• 12:38 pm, N Central Blvd, shoplifting.

• 1:17 pm, N Adams St, non-injury accident.

• 4:36 pm, E 4th St, criminal trespass.

• 7:25 pm, E 5th St, theft.

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• **July 21**

• 12:46 pm, Hwy 42 and Dillard, disorderly conduct.

• 1:33 pm, S Cedar St, criminal trespass.

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• **July 22**

• 9:12 am, Central Blvd, criminal trespass.

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• **Myrtle Point**

• **July 17**

• 2:24 pm, 8th St, theft.

• 4:16 pm, C St, theft.

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• **July 19**

• 11:44 am, 8th St, shoplifting.

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• **July 22**

• 8:28 pm, Rail Road Ave, hit and run.

• 10:25 pm, Cedar St, shots fired.

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• **North Bend**

• **July 16**

• 3:00 am, Tremont Ave, warrant service.

• 5:13 am, Myrtle St, assault.

• 9:09 am, Virginia Ave, criminal mischief.

• 1:58 pm, Virginia Ave, arrest.

• 2:44 pm, Johnson St 1891Johnson St, criminal mischief.

• 3:20 pm, Broadway Ave, non-injury accident.

• 6:33 pm, 17th St, dispute.

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• **July 17**

• 12:24 pm, Spruce St, theft of bike.

• 1:48 pm, Pacific St, violation of restraining order.

• 6:37 pm, Broadway Ave, criminal mischief.

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• **July 18**

• 12:16 am, Union Ave, disturbance.

• 3:36 am, California Ave, dispute.

• 8:05 am, California St, violation of restraining order.

• 10:33 am, Stanton Ave, theft.

• 11:37 am, Virginia Ave, theft.

• 12:54 pm, Virginia Ave, criminal trespass.

• 2:15 pm, Stanton Ave, dispute.

• 3:33 pm, Virginia Ave, hit and run.

• 5:48 pm, Virginia Ave, shoplifting.

• 6:54 pm, Virginia Ave, dispute.

• 11:07 pm, Union Ave, dispute.

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• **July 19**

• 1:08 am, Mcpherson and Virginia, disorderly conduct.

• 4:13 am, Union Ave, DUII.

• July 20

• 11:40 am, Broadway Ave, theft.

• 1:12 pm, Chester St, dispute, neighbor.

• 1:20 pm, Broadway Ave, threats.

• 2:11 pm, Newmark St, dispute.

• 4:22 pm, Virginia Ave, criminal trespass.

• 5:13 pm, Union Ave, non-injury accident.

• 9:44 pm, Broadway Ave,

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North Coos wins one game at state tournament

The North Coos American Legion baseball team won one game at the Single-A State Tournament, which North Coos hosted at Clyde Allen Field last week.

The Waterfront started the tournament with a tough 2-1 loss to the Columbia River Gorge Hustlers.

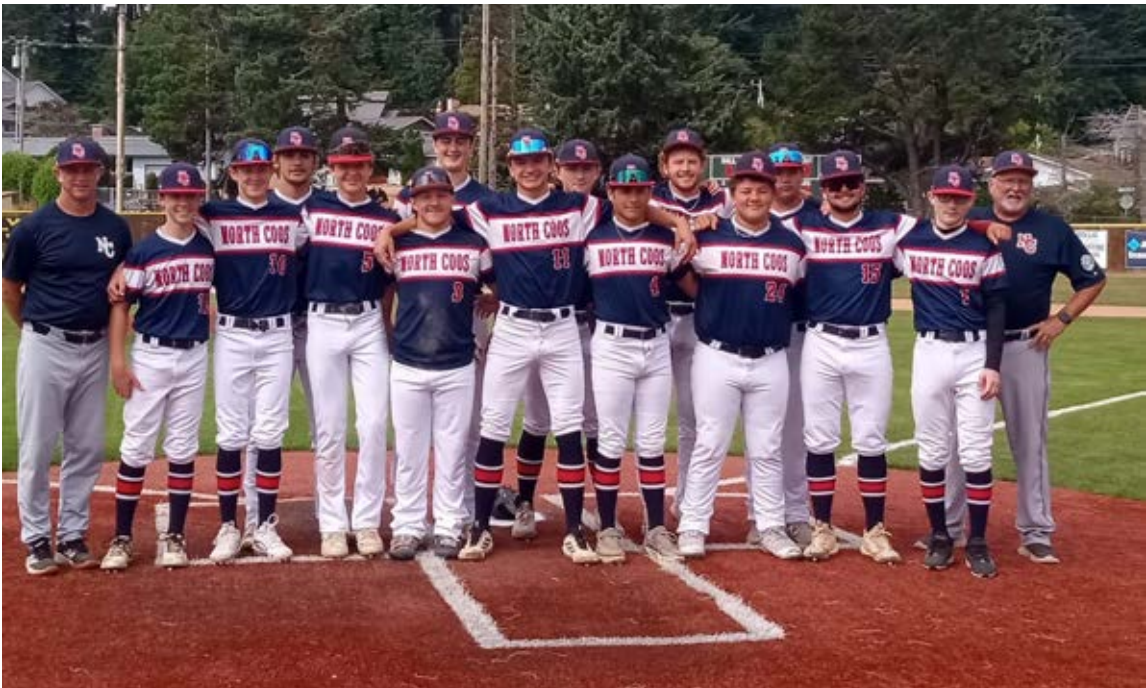
North Coos out-hit the Hustlers 7-4, but managed just one run, on a single by Brody Kylo in the sixth inning.

Kylo also pitched a complete game, striking out six and walking four. The winning run came on a sacrifice bunt by Chase Peterson in the bottom of the sixth after North Coos had tied the game.

North Coos battled back with an 8-6 win over West Albany on the second day of the tournament.

Jackson Swanson had a two-run single and Alexander Peck an RBI groundout in the first inning and Kylo had an RBI single and Blaze Wheeling a sacrifice fly in the second.

Wheeling picked up the win on the mound, going six innings



The North Coos American Legion Baseball team.

and giving up five hits and just one earned run while striking out nine. Tharin Johnson struck out all three batters he faced in relief.

The Waterfront had 10 hits in the win, including three by Josh Sullivan and two each by Matthew Swank and Brayden

Anderson. Swanson had two stolen bases.

But North Coos was eliminated from the tournament on Friday in a 15-5 loss to the Central Point Comets.

The other teams in the tournament were Klamath Falls, Everet

Street (Portland), La Grande and Eugene Oly.

Oly won its first three games in the tournament and Klamath Falls won its first two before losing to Eugene. The tournament ended after the publication deadline for The World.



Officials needed for fall sports

The start of the new high school sports season is only about a month away and there is always room for more officials on the South Coast.

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For more information about the Southwestern Oregon Football Officials Association, contact SWOFA Commissioner Glenn Koepnick at sworfootballassigner@gmail.com.

For information on the Southwestern Oregon Volleyball Officials Association, contact swovoa@outlook.com.

For information on the Coos/Brookings Soccer Officials Association, contact John Richer at johner1811@gmail.com.

Quinn has strong showing at U.S. Junior Amateur

Bandon student Sevren Quinn had a strong showing at the U.S. Junior Amateur Championship in Pennsylvania.

Quinn, who will be a senior for the Tigers this fall, nearly made it into the match play portion of the USGA championship at Saucon Valley Country Club in Bethlehem.

Quinn was one of 14 players in a playoff on Wednesday morning for the final two spots for the match play bracket after the 14 all finished tied at 5-over par through two days of qualifying.

The playoff started on the 584-yard, par-5 first hole at the country club’s Grace Course and Quinn took a par. He needed a birdie to advance since three others all scored birdie.

Eli Wessel of Indianapolis and Hudson Kutchma of Westfield, Ind., both parred the second hole to outlast Zilin Gao of China, who took bogey and was the final player eliminated from the playoff.

Quinn did better than last year, the first year he had advanced to the U.S. junior Amateur.

In the first round of qualifying this year, he had a 2-over 72 on the Grace Course, with three birdies and five bogeys.

In the second round, he had three birdies and six bogeys for a 3-over 74 on the Old Course.

Among the other players who did not advance in the playoff was Charlie Woods, the son of PGA Tour legend Tiger Woods, who bogeyed the first hole. Another player who didn’t advance was Rich Davis, who made it into the playoff by holing out for eagle on his final hole in the second stroke-play qualifying round.

The two players who did advance through the playoff both lost their first-round matches. Kutchma fell 4 and 3 to top seed Brayden Jones of Seal Beach, Calif. Wessell lost 6 and 5 to No. 2 seed Miles Russell of Jacksonville Beach., Fla.

Russell, who competed in this year’s U.S. Open and tied for 39th, joined Jones and No. 3 seed Sohan Patel of Weston, Fla., as co-medalists after all three finished the two rounds of stroke play qualifying at 6-under.

Russell advanced all the way to the final of the tournament, where he lost in the 36-hole final Saturday to Noah Maclauchlan of Moseley, Va.

Russell led the match 1-up after a birdie on the par-5 15th hole, but Maclauchlan won six of the next nine holes on the way to closing the match out 6 and 5 with a birdie on the 31st hole.

Maclauchlan was just the

No. 49 seed into match play and rallied to make it into the matches after shooting a 76 in his first round of qualifying. He bounced back with a 68 to finish at 3-over and then went on a run during the tournament, beating Jonathan Ward in the first round by winning five straight holes on the front nine, edging Andrew Sciortino 3 and 1, knocking off top seed Brayden Jones 2 and 1, topping Kuan Zhou 4 and 2 and beating Cooper Moore 1-up.

Maclauchlan, who will play for Liberty University, was joined in the tournament by his younger brother, Liam, who missed the cut.

A total of 264 players participated in the tournament. Quinn was the only one from Oregon, having won the Oregon Junior Amateur to qualify.

Quinn won five matches at the Oregon Amateur to take the title for the second year in a row. In the championship match, he beat Carson Krauss 1-up, rallying from two holes down by winning the 15th, 16th and 17th holes.

Quinn had earned the No. 2 seed for the 32-player match play bracket by finishing the two qualifying rounds at the Ghost Creek course at Pumpkin Ridge in 2-under par, which gave him a share of medalist

honors with Christian Harlow of Vancouver, Wash. Harlow lost in the round of 16.

Quinn, meanwhile, beat Cooper Anderson 5 and 3, topped Bryden Ditty 2-up, bested Cole Morgan 3 and 2 and knocked off Cade McVicker 3 and 2 to reach the championship match.

Quinn, who also won the individual high school state title for Bandon this year, leading the Tigers to their third straight team championship, had beaten Owen Bascom of North Bend in last year’s final match at the Oregon Junior Amateur.

In the U.S. Junior Amateur in Texas last year, Quinn had rounds of 76 and 78 at Trinity Forest Golf Club, missing the cut by 10 strokes.

Braedon Millhouser of Coquille, one of Quinn’s teammates on the Bandon squad, just missed advancing to the match play bracket in the Oregon Junior Amateur, finishing in a tie for 35th at 18-over.

Millhouser dropped down to the First Flight and advanced all the way to the final match in that flight before losing.

He beat Jake Crowell 3-up, edged top seed Milo Moskowitz 1-up and beat Oscar Vinson 1-up before losing to Chase Brown 1-up.

Hatch edges Henthorn in Firecracker Run

Charlie Hatch won the recent Firecracker Run in Mingus Park.

Hatch, who graduated from Marshfield in June, covered the roughly 4-kilometer course in 15 minutes and 20 seconds, edging Ella Henthorn of Coquille, who won state titles last year in both cross country and the 3,000 meters. Henthorn finished in 15:26.

They were followed by Kevin Brightbill, who finished in 15:47, and R. Josh Lehr, who crossed the line in 16:05.

Second among female runners was Laynie Davidson, who finished in 19:07. Holli Henthorn, Ella’s mom, was third among women in 20:23.

A total of 70 runners and walkers completed the challenging course that included three laps around the Mingus Park pond on the paved trail before steep uphill and downhill stretches on park

trails and nearby roads.

The race was preceded by a fun run for kids (no results were kept for that race).

The event was sponsored by the South Coast Running Club, which also has two runs in August, the Circle the Bay road run on Aug. 8 and the Sunset Bay Trail Run on Aug. 29. For more information on those races, visit www.southcoastrunningclub.org.

Firecracker Run Results: 1. Charlie Hatch, 15:20; 2. Ella Henthorn, 15:26; 3. Kevin Brightbill, 15:47; 4. R. Josh Lehr, 16:05; 5. Chris Castleman, 16:46; 6. Nathan Kahler, 17:39; 7. Jonas Hyatt, 18:03; 8. Laynie Davidson, 19:07; 9. Jeffrey Sperling, 19:14; 10. Hudson Belter, 19:18; 11. Aaron Miller, 19:29; 12. Aiden Belter, 20:04; 13. Tyson Hyatt, 20:06;

14. Hunter Henthorn, 20:12; 15. Holli Henthorn, 20:23; 16. Crystal Ramirez-Garcia, 20:37; 17. Dominique Monie, 20:47; 18. Beckett Clarke, 22:08; 19. Ethan Hyatt, 22:45; 20. Astoria Hedman, 22:49; 21. Ahley Miller, 23:00; 22. Rowan Belter, 23:54; 23. Hilary Tjibault, 24:05; 24. Wyatt Rutherford, 24:21; 25. Jacob LaMar, 24:27; 26. Dylan Wilson, 24:33; 27. Matthew Brown, 24:52; 28. Amanda Nanley, 24:52; 29. Kevin Linde, 25:11; 30. Mitch Clarke, 26:06; 31. JJ Ruesch, 26:13; 32. Ashley Lehr, 26:17; 33. Brent Knapp, 26:19; 34. Brenna Laird, 26:36; 35. Kayli Fandel, 27:04; 36. Jessie Belter, 27:05; 37. Amanda Rowe, 27:19; 38. Kirsten Leshley, 27:20; 39. Kevin Brum, 27:23; 40. Micah Miller, 28:16; 41. Shawn Miller, 28:17; 42. Kristopher Mix, 28:31; 43.

Emma Truex, 28:34; 44. Brent Hatch, 30:53; 45. Rachelle Casey, 31:09; 46. Georgia Ruesch, 31:18; 47. Tara Hyatt, 31:36; 48. Savannah Hatch, 32:12; 49. Alan Remele, 33:16; 50. Kyrallyn Boris, 33:30; 51. Michael Scott, 33:31; 52. Patricia Harrington, 33:46; 53. Michael Kelley, 34:07; 54. Michael Esenberg, 34:15; 55. Marcia Isenberg, 37:04; 56. Trinity Trentz, 40:33; 57. Kara Potts, 40:33; 58. Judy Remele, 40:56; 59. Chevelle Rivera, 42:01; 60. Karla Reinhart, 42:01; 61. Grady Johnson, 42:16; 62. Cameron Potts, 42:22; 63. Melssa Knapp, 45:02; 64. Audrey Knapp, 45:03; 65. Nancy Clarke, 49:13; 66. Jim Clarke, 49:14; 67. Chris Mueller, 51:35; 68. Camille Soares Brown, 51:36; 69. Donna Rabin, 1:10:27; 69. Steve Rabin, 1:10:27.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS
PROBATE DIVISION In the Matter of the Estate of FAITH SCARLET ROSE ANDERSEN, Deceased. CASE NO. 26PB03554
INFORMATION TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached to the undersigned personal representative at 612 Hermann St, Myrtle Point, OR 97458, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative, or the lawyers for the personal representative, Willow Hillman. Dated and first published on July 28, 2026. /s/ Donna Andersen Personal Representative **PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE:** Donna Andersen 612 Hermann St. Myrtle Point, OR 97458 **LAWYER FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE** Willow Hillman (153514) Law Office of Willow Hillman, LLC 44 West Broadway, Suite 222 Eugene, OR 97401 (541) 735-3678 willowhillmanlaw.com 7/28, 8/4, & 8/11/2026 World 429227

INVITATION TO BID Notice is hereby given that sealed bids are invited in single contract proposal for interior improvements of the Coos Bay / North Bend Water Board. Work consists of the following: Break-room remodel with lactation cubicle Locker room remodel with humidity control partitioned from existing storage room New office partitioned from existing work bay Bids must be in writing and delivered to the office of Crow/Clay & Associates Inc., Architecture and Planning; PO Box 839 (375 S. 4th); Coos Bay, Oregon 97420. Bids will be accepted until 2:00 PM, Thursday, August 13, 2026. Bids will be opened and read in a public meeting at the office of Crow/Clay & Associates Inc., scheduled for 2:05 PM, Thursday, August 13, 2026. Bids received after 2:00 PM will not be received or considered. After opening, the bids will be available for public inspection. Construction Documents may be examined at the office of the Architect: Crow/Clay & Associates Inc., Architecture and Planning; 375 S. 4th; Coos Bay, OR 97420; (541) 269-9388; and at the following locations: Premier Builders Exchange, Bend, OR; Contractor Plan Center, Milwaukee, OR; Daily Journal of Commerce, Portland, OR; Dodge Data & Analytics, Portland, OR; Douglas County Plan Center, Roseburg, OR; Eugene Builders Exchange, Eugene, OR; Klamath Falls Builders Exchange, Klamath Falls, OR; Medford Builders Exchange, Medford, OR; and Salem Builders Exchange, Salem. Online documents are available free of charge to registered bidders and suppliers. Contact Architect's office to register. Prime bidders may obtain one set of paper bidding documents at the Architect's office upon deposit of \$25.00. Non-bidder's deposits will not be refunded. Additional sets and partial sets may be purchased from the Architect for the cost of reproduction. Pre-Bid Conference to be held at 2:00 PM, Tuesday, August 4, 2026, at the jobsite, 2305 Ocean Blvd, Coos Bay, Oregon. The Pre-Bid Conference is mandatory. No bid will be considered unless accompanied by bid security in the form of a Cashier's Check

issued in favor of the Owner or a bid bond issued by a bonding company acceptable to the Owner. Bid security must be for 10% of amount of the bid and guarantee bids for a period of thirty (30) days after bid opening. The provisions of ORS 279c.800 to 279c.870 relative to prevailing wage rates shall be complied with by the successful bidder and all subcontractors, and appropriate certificates indicating compliance will be required. Within two hours of the bid opening, all bidders to be considered as responsive, shall submit at the above address, a form, disclosing the names, addresses, Construction Contractor's Board numbers, if applicable, of all first-tier subcontractors whose contract value for labor or labor and material exceeds 5% of the total project bid or \$15,000, whichever is greater. CB-NB Water Board may reject any bid not in compliance with all prescribed public bidding procedures and requirements and may reject for good cause any or all bids upon a finding by the CB-NB Water Board that it is in the public interest to do so. CB-NB Water Board reserves the right to waive minor irregularities in Bid Form upon a finding by the CB-NB Water Board that it is in the public interest to do so. Bid Forms and Subcontractors information will be accepted via hand delivery, mail or email. Ivan Thomas, CBNB Water Board General Manager 7/28/2026 World 429062

Legal Notice: EZ MINI STORE 1293 Ocean Blvd NW Coos Bay, OR 97420 will be selling the following Storage Units at Public Auction, August 8, 2026 at 10:00am for Non-Payment & Other Fees: Tommy Brock Unit#64 7/21 & 7/28/2026 World 429208

NOTICE OF TIMBER SALE Sealed bids will be received by the Coos County Board of Commissioners at the Owen Building, 201 N Adams, Coquille, Oregon until 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, August 5, 2026, at which time they will be publicly opened and read. Information on the sales and bidding procedure may be found on Coos County's website at www.co.coos.or.us under Forestry Department, or at our office located at 1309 W Central, Coquille, OR. The County reserves the right to waive minor informalities, to reject any bid not in compliance with all prescribed public contracting procedures and requirements and may reject for good cause any or all bids if it is in the public interest to do so. Prospective purchasers are urged to examine all data relevant to these timber sales, including the sealed bid procedure, and contract form. For more information phone 541-396-7750 or 541-396-7751. Lance Morgan Coos County Forester 7/21 & 7/28/2026 World 429xxx

Oregon International Port of Coos Bay 125 W. Central Ave, Suite 300 Coos Bay, OR 97420-2378 **NOTICE TO PROPOSERS NEPA LEAD REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS** Notice is hereby given that on July 29, 2026, at 1:00 PM (Pacific Daylight Time), a Request for Proposals (RFP) will be released online by the Oregon International Port of Coos Bay (OIPCB) for the NEPA lead portion of the planning phase of the Pacific Coast Intermodal Port's terminal component, the CBRL Rail upgrades and the channel modifications. This RFP is funded by INFRA grant no. 693JF72540001 through the US Department of Transportation Maritime Administration (USDOT MARAD) and CRISI grant no. 69A36525422500CRSOR through the US Department of Transportation Federal Railroad Administration (USDOT FRA). Environmental planning work for the PCIP project, including the terminal, CBRL Rail Upgrades and channel modification will be structured in two phases. Phase 1 will focus on environmental strategy, permitting coordination, and support for development of project planning and design solicitations. Phase 2 will focus on preparation of the Environmental Impact Statement and related NEPA documentation under the direction of USACE. The RFP will detail the expected qualifications, capabilities, and capacity to be shown by proposers. All proposers are directed to visit the OIPCB website at www.portofcoosbay.com/solicitations-public-notices on July 29, 2026, on or after 1:00 PM (Pacific Daylight Time) to access a digital copy of the RFP. The RFP will remain

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available until the end of the submission period on August 19, 2026, at 4:00 PM (Pacific Daylight Time). Oregon Eco-Terminals, LLC Brian Forquer, Vice President of Development solicitations@portofcoosbay.com 7/28/2026 World 429226

Oregon International Port of Coos Bay 125 W. Central Ave, Suite 300 Coos Bay, OR 97420-2378 NOTICE TO PROPOSERS REEDSPORT GRADE SEPARATION REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS Notice is hereby given that on July 29, 2026 at 1:00 PM (Pacific Daylight Time), a Request for Proposals (RFP) will be released online by the Oregon International Port of Coos Bay (OIPCB) for the engineering design, permitting and community engagement elements of the Reedsport Grade Separation project. Proposers will demonstrate qualifications for producing Preliminary to Final Engineering (30 - 60 - 90%) for the project, including (but not limited to) bridge design and engineering standards, load ratings, pavement/roadway plans, drainage, traffic, utilities, geotechnics, topography, Hydrology and Hydraulics, and related services. Proposers will also be expected to provide qualifications for permitting and community engagement, including, but not limited to, public outreach and community meetings. The RFP will detail the expected qualifications, capabilities, and capacity to be shown by proposers. All proposers are directed to visit the OIPCB website at www.portofcoosbay.com/solicitations-public-notices on July 29, 2026 on or after 1:00 PM (Pacific Daylight Time) to find a digital copy of the RFP. The RFP will remain available until the end of the submission period on August 19, 2026, at 4:00 PM (Pacific Daylight Time). Oregon EcoTerminals, LLC Brian Forquer, Vice President of Development solicitations@portofcoosbay.com RCE Grant No. 69A36525421220RCEOR 7/28/2026 World 429225

PUBLIC NOTICE The Coos County Area Transportation District will conduct a Public Hearing beginning at 9:00 a.m. on July 30, 2026, at South Coast Business at 800 N Bayshore in Coos Bay and via Zoom video conference <https://zoom.us/j/667827645> or Dial: +1 346 248 7799; Webinar ID: 667 827 645. The purpose of this Hearing is to consider a request for annexation of Curry County. If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Metz, at (541) 267-7111 or info@coostransit.org. Written comments may be submitted at any time prior to the hearing by email to the contact person listed above or by mail to CCATD, 2810 Ocean Blvd., Coos Bay, OR 97420 or attend the meeting and state your views. 7/14 & 7/28/2026 World 428833

PURSUANT TO ORS CHAPTER 819 Notice is hereby given that the following vehicle will be Sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 8/4/2026. The sale will be held at 10:00am by Mast Bros Enterprises 235 OR-42E, Coquille, OR 2025 Toyota Camry VIN = 4T1DBADKXSU524793 Amount due on lien \$7129.20 Reputed owner(s) ADAMS, ANDREW TOYOTA MOTOR CREDIT 7/21 & 7/28/2026 World 429054

PURSUANT TO ORS CHAPTER 87 Notice is hereby given that the following vehicle will be sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 8/10/2026. The sale will be held at 10:00am by RE-TELL HISTORY LLC 703 PAR.KAVE LAKESIDE, OR 1942 HD MC VIN= 42EL1969

Amount due on lien \$4504.00 Reputed owner(s) > JAMES FRANCIS JACKSON 7/28 & 8/4/2026 World 429249

PURSUANT TO ORS CHAPTER 87 Notice is hereby given that the following vehicle will be sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 8/7/2026. The sale will be held at 10:00am by RE-TELL HISTORY LLC 703 PARK AVE LAKESIDE, OR 1994 TOYT SWS PU VIN = 4TAR-N81AXRZ196614 Amount due on lien \$4504.00 Reputed owner(s) > G. S. BOATRIGHT & D. D. TAYLOR WELLS FARGO AUTO 7/28 & 8/4/2026 World 429055

State of Oregon County of Coos-Court Case# 26CV05205 NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE (Real Property) On AUGUST 31ST, 2026, at the hour of 10:00am, at the main entrance of the Coos County Sheriff Office, 250 N. Baxter; Coquille, Oregon 97423, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check, in hand, made out to Coos County Sheriff's Office, subject to redemption, all of the right, title, claim and/or interest in the following described real property: Lots 4 and 5, Block 39, FIRST ADDITION TO EMPIRE, Coos County, Oregon. APN #: 1890200 The property is commonly known as: 961 Salmon Ave, Coos Bay, OR 97420 Said sale is made pursuant to a Writ of EXECUTION (SPECIFIC REAL PROPERTY) dated JUNE 5TH, 2026, issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Coos where COLUMBIA BANK FKA UMPQUA BANK; is plaintiff, and DOE 1 and DOE 2, being the occupants of or parties in possession or claiming any right to possession of the Real Property commonly known as 961 Salmon Ave. Coos Bay, OR 97420; DOE 3 and DOE 4, being the unknown heirs and devisees of Nancy L. Herzog-Bottom, and also all other persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title, lien, or interest in the property described in the Complaint herein; SPIRIT HERZOG-BOTTOM; FOREST J. LAMBERT; JENNIFER L. LAMBERT; WESTERN MERCANTILE AGENCY, INC; STATE OF OREGON, DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, ESTATE ADMINISTRATION DIVISION; OREGON HEALTH AUTHORITY; and STATE OF OREGON DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, SENIOR AND DISABLED SERVICES DIVISION is defendant. PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS, READ THIS SECTION CAREFULLY Before bidding at the sale, a prospective bidder should independently investigate: (a) The priority of the lien or interest of the judgment creditor; (b) Land use laws and regulations applicable to the property; (c) Approved uses for the property; (d) Limits on farming or forest practices on the property; (e) Rights of neighboring property owners; and (f) Environmental laws and regulations that affect the property. NOTICE TO DEBTOR, READ THIS SECTION CAREFULLY: You should be careful about offers to sell rights to surplus funds. You may have a right to surplus funds remaining after payment of costs and satisfaction of the judgment, as provided in ORS 18.950(4). If you transfer or sell your right to redemption, you might not have the right to surplus funds. Conditions of Sale: All potential bidders are subject to inspection of funds prior to or during participation in the auction to qualify as a bidder. Individuals without proof of sufficient funds, or that have not qualified before the start of the auction; will not be

allowed to participate. Only U.S. currency and/or cashier's checks made payable to Coos County Sheriff Office will be accepted. Payment must be made in full immediately upon conclusion of the sale. Only the judgment creditor who obtained the writ may credit bid up to the Writ amount plus allowable costs. The judgment creditor must have cash in hand for any difference above the amount of the Writ and allowable costs. Interested parties can obtain additional information about this sale at: <http://oregonsheriffssales.org/> Dated: 7/20/26 Gabe Fabrizio, Sheriff Coos County, Oregon By Cindy Cade, Civil Clerk 7/28, 8/4, 8/11, & 8/18/2026 World 429

TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE TS NO. : 26-78720 Reference is made to that ~~certain Deed of Trust (hereinafter referred as the Trust Deed)~~ made by ANN K HANGARTNER, AN ESTATE IN FEE SIMPLE as Grantor to TICOR TITLE COMPANY, as trustee, in favor of FIRST COMMUNITY CREDIT UNION, as Beneficiary, dated 1/7/2014, recorded 1/10/2014, as Instrument No. 2014-00216, in mortgage records of Coos County, Oregon covering the following described real property situated in said County and State, to-wit: Beginning at a point 8 feet South of the present located corner of the NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 8, in Township 28 South, Range 13, West of the Willamette Meridian, Coos County, Oregon; thence East 23 rods; thence South 7 rods; thence Southwest 14 1/2 rods to a point 12 rods East of the West Subdivision line; thence West 12 rods to the Subdivision line; thence North 17 1/2 rods to the place of beginning. ALSO, beginning at a point on the East boundary line of Government Lot 3, of Section 8, in Township 28 South, Range 13 West of the Willamette Meridian, Coos County, Oregon and 8 feet South of the Northeast corner of said Government Lot 3; running thence South on the Subdivision line 4 1/2 rods; thence at right angles to the right 10 feet; thence at right angles to the right 4 1/2 rods; thence at right angles to the right 10 feet to the place of beginning. TOGETHER WITH an easement for ingress and egress as set forth in an Instrument Recorded October 28, 2013, as File No. 2013-10373, Records of Coos County, Oregon. The street address or other common designation, if any for the real property described above is purported to be: 56771 RIVERTON RD COQUILLE, OREGON 97423 The Tax Assessor's Account ID for the Real Property is purported to be: 908300 Both the beneficiary and the trustee, ZBS Law, LLP have elected to foreclose the above referenced Trust Deed and sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by the Trust Deed and a Notice of Default and Election to Sell has been recorded pursuant to ORS 86.752(3). All right, title, and interest in the said described property which the grantors had, or had power to convey, at the time of execution of the Trust Deed, together with any interest the grantors or their successors in interest acquired after execution of the Trust Deed shall be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash to satisfy the obligations secured by the Trust Deed and the expenses of sale, including the compensation of the trustee as provided by law, and the reasonable fees of trustee's attorneys. The default for which the foreclosure is made is: The monthly installment of principal and interest which became due on 10/1/2025, late charges, and all subse-

quent monthly installments of principal and interest. You are responsible to pay all payments and charges due under the terms and conditions of the loan documents which come due subsequent to the date of this notice, including, but not limited to, foreclosure trustee fees and costs, advances and late charges. Furthermore, as a condition to bring your account in good standing, you must provide the undersigned with written proof that you are not in default on any senior encumbrance and provide proof of insurance. Nothing in this notice should be construed as a waiver of any fees owing to the beneficiary under the deed of trust, pursuant to the terms and provisions of the loan documents. The amount required to cure the default in payments to date is calculated as follows: From: 10/1/2025 Total of past due payments: \$9,906.63 Late Charges: \$286.44 Trustee's Fees and Costs: \$2,908.75 Total necessary to cure: \$13,101.82 Please note the amounts stated herein are subject to confirmation and review and are likely to change during the next 30 days. Please contact the successor trustee ZBS Law, LLP, to obtain a "reinstatement" and or "payoff" quote prior to remitting funds. By reason of said default the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by the Trust Deed due and payable. The amount required to discharge this lien in its entirety to date is: \$132,466.44 Said sale shall be held at the hour of 11:00 AM on 9/11/2026 in accord with the standard of time established by ORS 187.110, and pursuant to ORS 86.771(7) shall occur at the following designated place: At the front entrance of the Coos County Courthouse, 2nd & Baxter Sts, Coquille, OR Other than as shown of record, neither the said beneficiary nor the said trustee have any actual notice of any person having or claiming to have any lien upon or interest in the real property hereinabove described subsequent to the interest of the trustee in the Trust Deed, or of any successor(s) in interest to the grantors or of any lessee or other person in possession of or occupying the property, except: NONE Notice is further given that any person named in ORS 86.778 has the right, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for 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 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 performance required under the obligation(s) of the Trust Deed, and in addition to paying said sums or tendering the performance necessary to cure the default, by paying all costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation and Trust Deed, together with the trustee's and attorney's fees not exceeding the amounts provided by ORS 86.778. The mailing address of the trustee is: ZBS Law, LLP, 5 Centerpointe Dr., Suite 400, Lake Oswego, OR 97035 (503) 946-6558 In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to the grantor as well as any other persons owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by said trust deed, the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer

of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. IMPORTANT NOTICE : Starting March 1, 2026, Federal Law may prohibit ZBS Law from issuing a Trustee's Deed Upon Sale in connection with this trustee's sale until information about the winning bidder is reported to the U.S. Treasury's Financial Crimes Enforcement Network. See, 31 CFR § 1031.320 (<https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-31/subtitle-B/chapter-X/part-1031/subpart-C/section-1031.320>). If this trustee's sale qualifies as a "reportable transfer" under 31 CFR § 1031.320(b), and you, as buyer, qualify as a "transferee entity" under 31 CFR § 1031.320(e)(1) or "transferee trust" under 31 CFR § 1031.320(e)(2), you will be obligated to provide information about the Beneficial Owner(s) of the transferee to ZBS Law or ZBS Law's designated representative. If you qualify as an exempt entity or trust under 31 CFR § 1031.320(n)(10)-(11), you may be required to provide evidence of the exemption supported by a declaration under penalty of perjury. If the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale cannot be issued due to a qualified transferee's failure or inability to provide the necessary reporting information, the qualified transferee will be responsible for all fees and costs to re-notice the trustee's sale. Dated: 4/30/2026 ZBS Law, LLP By: Amber L. Labrecque, Esq., OSB#094593 ZBS Law, LLP Authorized to sign on behalf of the trustee EPP 47786 7/7, 7/14, 7/21, & 7/28/2026 World 428738

TS No. OR07000044-26-1 APN 6526900 || 25S1327-AA-07100 TO No 260096142-OR-MSI TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE Reference is made to that certain Trust Deed made by ~~KAYLEE JO DARLENE SINGER~~ as Grantor to TIICOR TITLE as Trustee, in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. ("MERS"), as designated nominee for FINANCE OF AMERICA MORTGAGE LLC, Beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns, dated as of July 28, 2021 and recorded on July 30, 2021 as Instrument No. 2021-08638 and the beneficial interest was assigned to LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC and recorded December 5, 2025 as Instrument Number 2025-08288 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Coos County, Oregon to-wit: APN: 6526900 || 25S1327-AA-07100 LOT 4, BLOCK 2, TOWN OF FERNDAL, COOS COUNTY, OREGON. EXCEPT THE EAST 25 FEET, HERETOFORE CONVEYED IN THAT CERTAIN DEED RECORDED IN BOOK 286, PAGE 367, DEED RECORDS OF COOS COUNTY, OREGON Commonly known as: 1356 N 8TH ST, COOS BAY, OR 97420 Both the Beneficiary, Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC, and the Trustee, Nathan F. Smith, OSB #120112, have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said Trust Deed and notice has been recorded pursuant to Section 86.752(3) of Oregon Revised Statutes. The default for which the foreclosure is made is the Grantor's failure to pay: Failed to pay payments which became due Monthly

Payment(s): 11 Monthly Payment(s) from 08/01/2025 to 06/15/2026 at \$1,572.17 Total Late Charge(s): Total Late Charge(s) at \$615.02 By this reason of said default the Beneficiary has declared all obligations secured by said Trust Deed immediately due and payable, said sums being the following, to-wit: The sum of \$230,701.85 together with interest thereon at the rate of 3.25000% per annum from July 1, 2025 until paid; plus all accrued late charges thereon; and all Trustee's fees, foreclosure costs and any sums advanced by the Beneficiary pursuant to the terms of said Trust Deed. Wherefore, notice is hereby given that, the undersigned Trustee will on October 28, 2026 at the hour of 01:00 PM, Standard of Time, as established by Section 187.110, Oregon Revised Statutes, Main Entrance, Coos County Courthouse, 250 North Baxter Street, Coquille, OR 97423 County of Coos, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the said described real property which the Grantor had or had power to convey at the time of the execution by him 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 Section 86.778 of Oregon Revised Statutes has the right to have the foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Trust Deed reinstated by payment to the Beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of said principal as would not then be due had no default occurred), together with the costs, Trustee's or attorney's fees and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the obligation or Trust Deed, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for sale. Without limiting the Trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the Trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a Trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the Trustee's sale. In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes plural, the word "Grantor" includes any successor in interest to the Grantor as well as any other persons owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by said Trust Deed, the words "Trustee" and "Beneficiary" includes their respective successors in interest, if any. Effective March 1, 2026, new federal regulations (89 Fed. Reg. 70.258) may impact residential real property (1-4 residential units) title transfers to covered entities trusts, with reporting requirements unless exempt. <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2024/08/29/2024-19198/anti-money-laundering-regulations-for-residential-real-estate-transfers> Dated: 06/04/2026 By: Nathan F. Smith, OSB #120112 Successor Trustee Malcolm & Cisneros, A Law Corporation Attention: Nathan F. Smith, OSB #120112 c/o TRUSTEE CORPS 17100 Gillette Ave, Irvine, CA 92614 949-252-8300 NPP0490195 7/28, 8/4, 8/11, & 8/18/2026 World 429157

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- disorderly conduct.

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 - **July 21**
 - 5:35 am, Sherman Ave, criminal trespass.
 - 8:01 am, Sherman Ave, disorderly conduct.
 - 8:22 am, Virginia Ave, harassment.
 - 10:38 am, Monroe Ave, theft.
 - 12:43 pm, Virginia Ave, stalking.
 - 3:54 pm, Virginia Ave,

- burglary.

- 6:17 pm, Pony Creek Rd and Troy, dispute.
 - 7:13 pm, California St, theft.
 - 7:26 pm, Virginia Ave, criminal trespass.
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 - **July 22**
 - 1:00 am, Waite St, criminal trespass.
 - 1:09 am, Broadway Ave, criminal trespass.
 - 5:10 am, Virginia Ave, assault.
 - 8:31 am, Virginia Ave, shoplifting.

- 8:54 am, Virginia Ave, criminal trespass.
 - 11:50 am, Tremont Ave, threats.
 - 12:56 pm, Broadway Ave, shoplifting.
 - 2:22 pm, Monroe and Virginia, accident.
 - 4:20 pm, Broadway Ave, criminal trespass.
 - 4:36 pm, Virginia Ave, criminal trespass.
 - 4:47 pm, Sheridan Ave, criminal trespass.
 - 6:25 pm, Virginia Ave, criminal trespass.
 - 9:14 pm, Pony Creek

- Rd, criminal trespass.

- 9:55 pm, Oak and Connecticut, disorderly conduct.
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 - **July 23**
 - 1:06 am, Virginia Ave, warrant service.
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 - **Reedsport**
 - **July 16**
 - 3:19 pm, Forest Village Apartments, restraining order violation.
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 - **July 17**

- 4:29 am, Greenwood Ave, domestic disturbance.
 - 9:09 am, Doyle St, disturbance.
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 - **July 18**
 - 11:47 am, Ace Hardware, theft.
 - 7:30 pm, Arthur Dr, theft.
 - 9:01 pm, Dogwood Ave, domestic disturbance.
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 - July 20
 - 2:13 pm, Aiden Senior

- Living, theft.

- 8:48 pm, Forest Village Apartments, juvenile problem.
 - 10:01 pm, Masters Way and Masters Ct, weapons offense.
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 - **July 21**
 - 12:13 am, Frontage Rd, disturbance.
 - 8:43 am, Riverside Manor, civil dispute.
 - 10:44 am, RVFD Station, theft.

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CBPD Vehicle stolen on scene, quickly recovered

From the CBPD

On July 22, 2026, at approximately 10:41 p.m., officers with the Coos Bay Police Department responded to a reported burglary in progress in the Empire area of Coos Bay. Upon arriving, officers parked a short distance from the reported location and approached the area on foot.

After determining the call was unfounded, officers returned to their vehicles. At that time, one officer discovered that his marked patrol vehicle was no longer where it had been parked. Officers on scene, along with dispatchers from the North Coos Dispatch Center, immediately used the vehicle’s GPS tracking system to locate it. They



quickly determined the patrol vehicle had been stolen and was traveling toward Charleston. With assistance from the Coos County Sheriff’s Office, Oregon State Police, and the Bandon Police Department, officers located the stolen patrol vehicle several miles from where it had been taken. The suspect was identified as 41-year-old Rhonda

Hanscom of Coos Bay. Hanscom was taken into custody without incident and transported to the Coos County Jail, where she was lodged on charges of Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle, Theft in the First Degree, and Felon in Possession of a Firearm. The stolen patrol vehicle was recovered without damage.

Wildfire season brings unpredictable travel conditions across Oregon

As wildfire activity in Oregon grows, travelers are encouraged to carefully plan their routes. Fires are burning near several highways, requiring crews to close and reopen roads, and change traffic patterns with little notice, according to the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT). With hot, dry conditions expected to continue, wildfire-related travel disruptions will persist throughout the summer. ODOT urges anyone traveling this summer to check smoke,

fire and travel conditions before leaving home, stay alert for changing conditions and slow down near wildfire activity. “Wildfires can affect travel with very little warning,” said ODOT Public Information Officer Kacey Davey. “A highway that’s open when you leave home could close an hour later as fire behavior changes. If possible, choose a route that avoids active wildfires and be prepared to adjust your plans as conditions change.”

Before you leave, check TripCheck.com for current road conditions, closures and delays. TripCheck provides information from ODOT’s dispatch centers 24 hours a day and updates in real time as fire situations evolve. Travelers should: • Plan routes that avoid active wildfire areas whenever possible. • Consider delaying travel if wildfire smoke is reducing visibility or creating unhealthy air quality. • Follow official detours.

GPS may direct you onto local or forest roads that are also closed or unsuitable for traffic. • Start with a full tank of fuel or electric charge, especially when traveling through rural areas where services may be limited. • Carry water, snacks, medications and an emergency kit in case of unexpected delays. **Driving near wildfires** Smoke can reduce visibility as quickly as dense fog. If you encounter smoke:



Courtesy photo

Wildfires across Oregon have made travel challenging. • Slow down and increase following distance.

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region by supporting local businesses, enabling remote work, expanding access to healthcare and education, so rural communities remain vibrant places to live and work. For Beacon Broadband customer Kori Lewis, reliable internet made it possible for her family to return to Oregon’s South Coast. After her husband’s position transitioned to full-time remote work, the family relocated to Lewis’ hometown, but dependable

internet access remained a concern. Before Beacon Broadband became available, her husband relied on two separate work locations with different internet providers and regularly experienced service outages, often forcing him to move between locations to stay connected. “The reliability of Beacon Broadband has been a huge blessing for us,” Lewis said. “For the first few years, my husband worked from different locations because outages were common. Since switching to Beacon Broadband, he

can count on maintaining a reliable connection from his home office.” Today, Lewis’ husband works full-time from home with dependable fiber service, allowing the family to live and work in the community they love. **Built by People Who Believe in the Mission** The transition from vision to reality reflects years of dedication from employees across CCEC and BBI who believed the investment would create value for the communities they serve. Over six years employ-

ees across engineering, construction, operations, customer care, finance, grant administration and leadership came together to accomplish the objective set by the Board of Directors – make high-speed fiber broadband accessible to every CCEC member. In a true cooperative spirit, the Board of Directors saw the vision to best serve the co-op members and acted with the fortitude to make it happen. “This accomplishment is a reflection of our electric co-op heritage,” said Brent Bischoff, CEO of Co-

os-Curry Electric Cooperative and Beacon Broadband. “With a singular focus to serve our members, our Board, employees, contractors, and partners have worked tirelessly over years to reach this monumental milestone. Together, we’ve built infrastructure that expands opportunity, modernizes our electric system, and creates lasting value for the communities we serve.” **Looking Ahead** With the core network now complete, BBI continues connecting the remaining unserved locations with-

in CCEC’s service territory while pursuing opportunities to expand service into neighboring underserved communities. The completion of the fiber network marks a significant milestone in CCEC’s history and reflects the cooperative’s commitment to investing in infrastructure to strengthen communities and expand opportunities across Oregon’s South Coast for generations to come. Members can learn more about BBI services and subscribe by visiting www.beaconbroadband.com.

GRANT
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agency response agencies in Northern Coos County.” The more robust grant research has expanded the kinds of sources that the city seeks grants from. For instance, a small grant was awarded to the Coos Bay Fire Department by forestry and timber conglomerate Weyerhaeuser for a rapid wildfire suppression unit. The UTV is outfitted with a large water tank and

pump, allowing for rapid response to smaller fires in off-road or hard to reach areas where a full truck couldn’t go. Despite the seemingly humble award of just over \$5,000, that money will go directly to a specific and effective firefighting tool just in time for what is projected to be an unfortunately eventful fire season. On the recreation side, a large grant of just under \$600,000 dollars was awarded for upkeep and

improvement to the Empire boat launch. A much-used piece of city infrastructure, the launch will get a wave attenuator replacement and new piling system thanks to Oregon Marine Board’s Boating Facility grant program, which is funded in-turn by the registration fees and taxes paid by motor boat licensing. Boating and licensing fees leading to infrastructure improvements for boating facilities is a crucial mechanism and virtuous cycle that helps

keep on-water recreation afloat. Federal funding, which has been harder to come by under the current administration, is also being secured thanks to the improved grant focus. Thanks to several grants from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, as facilitated through the Oregon Department of Emergency management, multiple public safety projects are in the pipeline. An \$11,273 crisis man-

agement grant will help the city upgrade remote dispatch capabilities across emergency response agencies. Another \$54,000 has been allocated to conduct a security assessment of city-owned property to help bolster those holdings’ resilience. To that end, another \$32,729 will go toward upgrading security cameras and other monitoring systems at city facilities. In the midst of severe budget crunches for rural

communities across the country, effective grant programs are more important than ever before. And, with more grant funding coming into the city’s coffers, the needs for proper oversight and accountability grows as well. Benetti announced that in the near future, the city plans to implement a grant dashboard on their official website which will outline awarded grants and the projects they fund in greater detail.

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Their relatively conservative model estimates that around 14.7% of any tourism money spent can be attributed to advertising influence. When applied to the VCB’s spending, they’ve calculated that for every \$1 spent on advertis-

ing, \$17 was brought into the community. Outside of the requisite advertising on social media and beyond, the VCB has cooked up multiple promotional campaigns that offer incentive to tourists to book stays in the area. “In the winter, we put together the Local Vacation Loot promotion, which

if you reserved a hotel or lodging property for a two-night stay, you got \$120 worth of coupons to spend going charter fishing, going to the dunes, dining in restaurants,” explained Langlinais. While the conversion of that promotion didn’t reach the levels they’d hoped, it brought in visitors from a

wider radius of places and showed very promising interest levels based on the website’s page views. The more recent, and so far more successful promotion (though that is likely seasonal), is the Summer Fuel Freebie program. Visitors who book a two-or-more night stay can receive a \$75 visa card to

help offset fuel costs. 66 cards have already been claimed for the promotion which is set to run through September. “I’m always an advocate of tourism, and what you have done and accomplished in helping our economic interest in the community,” said Mayor Joe Benetti following the

presentation. “The state, in total, was up about 1% [in visitor spending] for the year, so the fact that our region is up 5% is really great work that Janice and her team are doing,” included Lucinda DiNovo, city councilor who sits on the VCB board. \\

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HISTORY
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to place on kids’ coats as a safety precaution. Soon, people all around the country were whispering to one another, “Have you heard about all the kids killed walking to school in the dark?” Except, there weren’t. That is, there wasn’t a noticeable increase in

child-related accidents. Yes, some children were injured or killed. But no more than before. Researchers have been unable to document the often-repeated claim that “many children were hurt” by the switch to DST. In the end, the whisper campaign’s unfounded claims, coupled with mom and dad growling about waking up in the dark, swung public opinion

against the change. By February 1974, only 40 percent favored permanent DST, a nearly 40 percent drop in just six weeks. The experiment died a quick and quiet death. Congress pulled the plug on it, and the country returned to standard time as usual that Oct. 27. As for the Energy Crisis itself, it remained one of the great national boogymen for the rest of the decade. No one can say precisely when it ended; it just sort of faded into the sunset sometime during the Reagan administration and was never heard from again. As if more proof that history repeats itself was needed, opponents of the current push to make DST permanent are again put-

ting forth the exact same “children will be endangered in the dark” argument heard a half century earlier. You can’t help wondering whether history would repeat even more should DST proponents wake up one cold, wintry morning soon and discover, just as their grandparents before them did, that getting up when it’s still dark outside really sucks. **ABOUT THE WRITER** J. Mark Powell is a former television journalist. His nonfiction book “Witness to War: The Story of the Civil War Told by Those Living Through It” is available at jmarkpowell.com. He wrote this for InsideSources.com.

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Oregon students report benefiting from summer learning programs

From the Oregon
Dept. of Education

The Oregon Department of Education (ODE) today released the 2025 Student Voice Summer Survey Report, capturing the perspectives of more than 8,200 students who participated in summer learning programs. The findings reinforce the important role that high-quality summer learning programs play in helping students strengthen reading and literacy skills, build confidence, and develop a sense of belonging in their programs, classrooms, and communities.

The survey represents one of the largest state-wide collections of student perspectives on summer learning in the nation and provides valuable insight into the learning conditions that help our students thrive. Students consistently reported feeling safe, welcomed, supported, and

engaged in their summer programs – conditions that research shows are essential for meaningful learning and participation.

Among the Report's Findings

- 76% of students said their summer program helped them better understand what they read.
- 74% said their program helped them become better readers and writers.
- More than 90% reported feeling safe and welcomed in their summer program.
- More than 80% said their program helped them feel active, healthy, inspired to try new things, and good about themselves.

“Students are telling us that these programs help them grow as readers, build confidence, try new things, and feel connected to their communities,” Governor Tina Kotek said. “These targeted, proven investments my adminis-



tration has fought for give our kids the opportunity to build their ideal future. Let’s keep going.”

The 2025 Student Voice Summer Survey gives students an opportunity to reflect on their summer learning experiences and provides educators with actionable feedback to continuously improve

programs. Responses were collected from 8,234 students entering grades 3-12 participating in summer programs supported through state and federal funding, including Oregon’s State Summer Learning Grant and 21st Century Community Learning Centers.

While the survey focus-

es on students’ summer learning experiences, it complements ODE’s 2025 Summer Learning Grant Implementation Report, which reports progress toward grantee-established literacy goals aligned to Oregon standards measured through required pre/post assessments and other approved literacy measures. Together, these reports provide multiple sources of evidence about both students’ experiences and the academic outcomes of Oregon’s summer learning programs.

The report highlights that students consistently experience summer programs as places where they build relationships, explore new interests, strengthen literacy skills, and develop confidence. It also identifies opportunities for continued growth, including expanding student leadership opportunities, strengthening identity-affirming

practices, and increasing access to career-connected learning.

“Summer learning is about more than preventing learning loss,” said Dr. Charlene Williams, ODE Director. “This report demonstrates that academic growth and engaging learning experiences go hand in hand. When students experience strong relationships, meaningful learning, and evidence-based literacy instruction together, they tell us they are becoming stronger readers, more confident learners, and more connected to their school communities.”

ODE extends its appreciation to school districts, education service districts, Tribal partners, community-based organizations, and summer learning providers across Oregon for creating learning environments where students can thrive.

Political Cartoon



Super Crossword

Answers

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Americanisms

“Today’s headlines and history’s judgment are rarely the same.”

— Condoleezza Rice

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The Garden Bug

Anoles

Both the native green anole (*Anolis carolinensis*) and the non-native brown anole (*Anolis sagrei*) are small lizards found in the southeastern parts of the United States. They compete for food sources by preying on many of the same insects, such as crickets, moths and flies.

A green anole can actually be either green or brown, and both species also have the distinctive pink-to-red dewlap they frequently display. However, brown anoles have more distinctive patterns on their skin. - Brenda Weaver

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GO FIGURE!

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

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State/Regional News

Regional earthquake experts say more investment needed to prepare for the ‘Big One’

ALEX BAUMHARDT
Oregon Capital Chronicle

If the “Big One” — the anticipated massive Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake — hit today, Oregonians west of the Cascades would be luckiest to find themselves at the recently-retrofitted state Capitol in Salem or on the roof of the new terminal at the Portland International Airport.

The comment from Tom Wharton, an engineer at the Port of Portland, drew laughs from an audience Thursday at the 13th annual National Conference on Earthquake Engineering in Portland, but it wasn’t entirely a joke. Jonna Papaefthimiou, state resilience officer in Gov. Tina Kotek’s office, said few of the 4,000 buildings the state owns would survive. Just five would likely remain standing and be immediately usable in the weeks and months after, she said.

The Port of Portland and the governor’s office are among the members of the region-wide multi-agency Cascadia Lifelines Program housed at Oregon State University, operating as a think tank for stakeholders who meet twice annually to discuss preparation for what seismologists project will be a 7.4 or greater magnitude earthquake in the Northwest in the next 50 years.

The Cascadia Subduction Zone quake occurs off the coasts of Oregon, Washington and California every 500 years and was last recorded in 1700. It could cause Northwest coastlines to lower and retreat, spur widespread flooding and landslides and displace millions of people.

The experts discussed progress: Renovations at the Portland airport and state Capitol that made the buildings more likely to withstand earthquakes, a plan to ensure Washington County residents have access to water sourced from beyond Portland’s system and Kotek’s 2025 executive order mandating large state-owned buildings be retrofitted during the next 35 years and new ones be built to a worst-case-scenario earthquake code.

But the experts also discussed policies that they say should be enacted urgently. If coastal U.S. Route 101 isn’t retrofitted before the Big One hits and shuts down for any extended period following the quake, “then you’ve lost those coastal communities, and you’re not going to get those back,” said Mike Olsen, an Oregon State University civil engineering professor and the director of the Cascadia Lifelines Program.

The highway is also already under frequent threats of coastal landslides and flooding. “We don’t need to wait for the earthquake to cause a lot of damage to it. It’s already under a lot of pressure,” he said.

Race to retrofit
In coastal areas that will be most heavily impacted, and that are heavily reliant on grid power from the Bonneville Power Administration, policies that promote community microgrids and battery storage will be key to post-quake recovery, said Leon Kempner, a BPA engineer.

BPA controls most of the Northwest electricity distribution grid. In some coastal areas, such as Lincoln City, it is the source of nearly all power.

Kempner said the agency is racing to retrofit the grid to withstand earthquakes, but it didn’t start implementing seismic code into projects until the 1980s, and it lacks resources to move as quickly as needed.

He also suggested that the Oregon and Washington state legislatures should require BPA and all regional utilities to regularly report to state officials on what they are doing to prepare for the Big One to increase awareness, transparency about planning gaps and potential for collaboration.

Wharton, who explained that much of the state would rely on the airport and the port’s four Willamette and Columbia river terminals to receive recovery aid, said the Port of Portland needs nearly \$500 million to upgrade a runway that can survive the quake and handle large Federal Emergency Management Agency aircraft, and other aircraft, landing for support or evacuation.

Port officials will meet with Kotek’s office in the next few weeks to discuss some potential budget requests, he and Papaefthimiou said. Some funding could also come from requesting an advance on annual maintenance dollars from the Federal Aviation Administration or grants from FEMA, “as long as FEMA still exists,” Wharton said.

A recent study by the National Institute of Building Sciences found that the, for now, roughly \$450 million investment would have a net \$7 billion savings benefit for the state as it tries to recover and rebuild after the quake, he said. But none of that matters if roads and bridges are unusable or nonexistent.

Critical corridors
The Oregon Department of Transportation has identified \$40 million worth of bridge deficiencies that, if left unaddressed, leave them vulnerable to the quake, said Yumei Wang, a civil engineering and infrastructure resilience and risk expert from Portland State University.

Olsen and other experts also called for more investment in preparing a disaster response workforce for the state and the region, which would require months of emergency attention and years of rebuilding. Everyone agreed that municipal governments, state leaders, and all regional infrastructure stakeholders need to be more regularly talking and planning together, now.

Mike Britch, an engineering and construction manager at Tualatin Valley Water District, is overseeing a \$1.6 billion water infrastructure project to shift the half of Tualatin that relies on water from the Portland Water Bureau to water sourced from the Joint Water Commission that also supplies water to the cities of Hillsboro, Forest Grove and Beaverton.

Part of the project involved building a 2,000 foot “micro tunnel” under the Tualatin River to transport drinking water. Above it, the Roy Rogers Road bridge over the river would not survive the Big One, Britch said, leaving people south of the bridge stranded and unable to get to any area hospitals.

“If I could create a policy and make people do things, I would say I want the state to identify some of these really critical corridors,” he said. “We need some sort of policy to address that.”

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South Coast payroll employment shows small decline over the year

Coos County total payroll employment rose by 60 jobs in June. Leisure and hospitality gained 50 jobs while employment in general merchandise retailers decreased by 20 jobs over the month. Government employment posted a net increase of 10 jobs in June. Local government education employment fell by 30 jobs while

Indian tribal employment rose by 20.

Since June 2025 Coos County payroll employment fell by 190 jobs for a loss of -0.8%. Jobs were lost in professional and business services (-90); manufacturing (-70); retail trade (-50); leisure and hospitality (-50); mining and logging (-40); and transportation,

warehousing, and utilities (-20). Industries adding jobs over the year were private education and health services (+60) and construction (+50). Government added 50 jobs over the year, mostly due to a gain of 100 jobs in Indian tribal local government. Federal government fell by 30 jobs since June 2025.

Curry County payroll employment rose by 50 jobs in June. Leisure and hospitality essentially accounted for the county’s monthly jobs increase, adding 50 jobs over the month. Other published industries showed little or no estimated employment change in June.

Over the past year Curry County payroll was unchanged and was estimated at 6,710

jobs in June. Job losses were estimated in retail trade (-30); other services (-20); and construction (- 20). Health care, and leisure and hospitality have both added 20 jobs since June 2025. Government added 10 jobs over the year with local government (+20) rising and federal government jobs (-10) dropping slightly.

Puzzle answers on page 9

Super Crossword

LEAVE AT THE END

ACROSS

1 Lambastes

7 Poppycock

15 Earth model

20 Larynx locale

21 Tango cousin

22 "Whoopee!"

23 Altered totally

24 For an extended period of time

26 Angry feeling

27 Prefix with chic or tour

29 Papas' mates

30 Grafton's "— for Evidence"

31 Video game in which players ride in skateparks and splash color around

38 Use a pew

39 "Dino" star Mineo

40 Filmmaker Perry

41 Feature of a carrot-top

43 Views more text, perhaps

46 Salamander

48 Make distress less painful

50 Hype (up)

53 Volcanic stuff

55 Large couch

56 Funnywoman Booster

57 Whigs' rivals

63 "Devil Inside" rock band

65 Is completely harmless

70 Volcanic stuff

74 Enlarged

75 On terra —

76 Neighbor of Peru

79 Some dark breads

80 Exactly even division

83 Brilliant feat

85 Med. scan in a large tube

86 Pesto herbs

87 Mythical twin of Pollux

91 They go with ochs

95 Two after uno

97 Cove's cousin

98 Portable boat engine

102 Literary Leon

105 Covert movement

106 Like fatty tissue

108 New, in Italy

112 Atop, to bards

113 Yiddish cries of lament

115 Appetizer made with vegetable "hearts"

117 81-Down download

118 Guy who's a spin doc

120 Ring great Muhammad

121 Sinus-probing doc

122 Having paid to be freed from custody

128 Old dog star

131 Not reactive

132 Luminosity

133 Expunges

134 Pack-carrying beasts

135 Stopped from wobbling

136 What the last words of eight key answers in this puzzle are slangy synonyms of

DOWN

1 Not lenient

2 Sundae topper

3 Difficult experience

4 Bathroom, in Bristol

5 "Dapper" guy

6 Blade metal

7 Make a pick

8 Bathroom, in Bristol

9 "Honest" prez

10 Golfing goal

11 Stuff making a big bang

12 Former NPR talk show host Diane

13 Domains

14 Hand-reading fortuneteller

15 Ob- — (delivery docs)

16 Time delay

17 "No kidding?"

18 Broth made by stewing

19 Vast periods

25 Old breakfast cereal brand

28 Things rolling in the aisle

32 Hankering

33 Mine find

34 IRA choices

35 "So that's your game!"

36 Lummoxes

37 Mambo great

38 Japanese noodle

42 Match arbiter

44 Kinfolk: Abbr.

45 Stockholm is its cap.

47 Failed to be

49 Toe feature

50 In battle

51 Given to sulking

52 Puritanical type

54 Sly chuckle

58 Bits of land in la mer

59 Fielder Roush

61 Well-muscled

62 "I say!" sayer

64 Russian "no"

66 Cubes in miso soup

67 Give it a whirl

68 Dual radio designation

69 Decent

70 Indy circuits

71 Off-the-cuff

72 "Ta-da!"

73 Dilettantish

77 Prefix with pet or punk

78 D.C.'s home

81 Apple tablet

82 In shape

83 Trendy

84 Speechifiers

87 Bus, entities

88 Devices reproducing signatures

89 Spires

90 Ski lift type

92 Org. for docs

93 "Today" co-host Kotb

94 Move slightly

96 "The Fisher King" actress

99 Rappers and poets, e.g.

100 Make a pick

101 French for "king"

103 Squid's squirt

104 Act litigiously

107 Climbed up

109 City in west Texas

110 Having more climbing plants

111 Best-suited

114 Anwar with a Peace Nobel

116 Greased up

117 Opera tune

118 Butter slices

119 Lymph bump

123 Sooner than, in poetry

124 Actress Vardalos

125 Sinlul

126 Folk rocker DiFranco

127 Cola cubes

129 Exist

130 Devitalize

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

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Undersea proposal comment period announced

JEREMY C. RUARK
Country Media

Proposed changes are intended to strengthen protections for Oregon’s marine ecosystems, streamline permitting, and ensure fair public compensation for use of the seafloor.

Comment opportunity on proposed undersea infrastructure easements in Oregon’s territorial sea

The Oregon Department of State Lands (DSL) is seeking comments on proposed changes to administrative rules (OAR 141-083) that guide how easements are issued for uses of the territorial sea.

Proposed changes are intended to strengthen protections for Oregon’s marine ecosystems, streamline permitting, and ensure fair public compensation for use of the seafloor.

The comment period opened from July 1 and closes at 5 p.m. August 3.

Why are Changes Needed?

For decades, cables have been installed on the bottom of Oregon’s territorial sea—the area of the Pacific Ocean extend-

ing from the shoreline to three nautical miles offshore. These cables, often called “undersea” or “submarine” cables, carry global data through optical fibers and are placed on, attached to, or buried beneath the seafloor.

In the future, similar infrastructure may also include power transmission cables and pipelines to serve purposes like carrying electricity from offshore wind turbines to shore.

DSL, with approval from the State Land Board, issues easements for use of the territorial sea. DSL is one of several agencies with a regulatory role in the territorial sea, but the administrative rules guiding DSL’s work are out of date.

Oregon’s administrative rules governing these easements have not been comprehensively updated in 25 years. Since then, undersea infrastructure technology has evolved significantly, including the development of SMART cables that support both data transmission and sensors for ocean monitoring.

In addition, Oregon’s Territorial Sea Plan Part

Four was updated in 2023, and Senate Bill 793 now requires DSL to set application and compensation fees for easements associated with water, gas, electric, and communication infrastructure in the territorial sea. These changes in technology, policy, and state law make updates to the rules necessary.

What’s Proposed

- Alignment with Oregon’s ocean resource management goals.

Proposed updates align DSL’s easement review and authorization processes with Oregon’s Territorial Sea Plan Part Four and other applicable state policies governing uses of the seafloor.

- Enhanced application requirements. Applicants would be required to provide additional information during project planning and review, including resource and use inventories, effects evaluations, decommissioning plans, emergency response plans, and information about potential encroachments. Early coordination through pre-application meetings and the Joint Agency Review Team would

help identify information needs and potential issues before applications are submitted.

- A cooperative review framework. Updates would support collaboration among applicants, state and federal agencies, Tribal governments, and local communities. Clearer requirements and review procedures would provide greater transparency and predictability throughout the process.
- New fee structure. A new structure for application fees will support sustainable funding for the interagency application review. New compensation fees allow use of Oregon’s territorial sea while compensating Oregonians for the usage of this public resource. Revenues go to the Common School Fund.

See the notice of rules filing and the proposed rules, as well as a summary of proposed fees.

A rulemaking advisory committee was convened from February through June 2026 to inform the proposed changes, and a summary of RAC input can be found here.

How to Comment
Visit the DSL website

for all rulemaking materials, including a draft of the proposed rules, all related materials from the rulemaking advisory committee, and the online comment form.

The comment deadline is Monday, August 3, 2026, at 5 p.m.

Public Hearings

Feedback on the proposed rulemaking can be provided during the following public meetings which will begin with an information session with time for questions, followed by a public hearing. Recordings and minutes will be posted online afterwards.

- In-person: The meetings held at the in-person locations are in-person only and will not have virtual access.
- North Bend, OR: Monday, July 20 at 6:30 p.m. at North Bend Community Center, 2222 Broadway Ave., North Bend, OR 97459
- Newport, OR: Tuesday, July 21 at 5 p.m. at Hatfield Marine Science Center, Classroom 30/32 (HMSC 3032), 2030 SE Marine Science Dr., Newport, OR 97365 (map to classroom)
- Seaside, OR: Wednesday, July 22 at 5:30 p.m. at Seaside Library, 1131 Broadway, Seaside, OR 97138

- Virtual (online only): Thursday, July 23 at 2:30 p.m.
 - o Meeting ID: 250 886 8653
 - o Join online: Click here to join (Passcode: w#EnJ067)
 - o Join by phone: 1-669-444-9171 (Passcode: 87671005)

Written Comments

Comments may also be submitted in writing by online form, emailed to dsl.rules@dsl.oregon.gov or mailed to DSL (Attn: Rules Coordinator) at 775 Summer Street NE, Suite 100, Salem, OR 97301.

What Happens Next?

After the comment period closes and comments are addressed, proposed rules are presented at an upcoming meeting of the State Land Board for a decision. The public may provide additional testimony at that time.

If adopted, these proposed rules and fees are anticipated to go into effect in January 2027. For the latest updates, visit the DSL website.

Lending programs are helping underserved Oregonians buy homes

By Mia MALDONADO
Oregon Capital Chronicle

After seven years of living in a cramped two-bedroom apartment in Northeast Portland with her four sons, Ja’Nelle Samuels assumed homeownership was impossible.

The 43-year-old single mom and nonprofit manager grew up without housing stability. Her only model for homeownership growing up was her grandmother, who took her in after she left the foster care system.

Two years ago Samuels realized raising her children in a 950-square-foot space, one of the only options she could afford, was taking a toll on her mental health.

“I felt like I was stuck there,” she said.

That changed when she connected with Arrive, a nonprofit dedicated to providing homebuying

counseling and lending options to low-income Oregonians. A housing counselor reviewed her credit, mapped out a savings strategy and helped her save enough money over two years to buy her first home. In May, she closed on a home in Northeast Portland’s Madison South neighborhood, where she has a garage and a backyard where the family can grill. Technically it’s a three-bedroom home, but each of her sons has their own room because of the two extra rooms in the finished basement.

“Homeownership means having something I can leave for my children,” Samuels said. “I always worry about if I were to have an untimely passing, where would my children end up? And now I know that they have a home.”

Formerly the Portland Housing Center, Arrive is dedicated to helping

marginalized Oregonians achieve homeownership with counseling and lending services. In 2025, it expanded its lending services statewide to support Oregonians living outside the Portland area.

Nonprofit built on addressing racial disparities expands lending services statewide

Arrive was established in the aftermath of a 1990 news series by The Oregonian/OregonLive exposing mortgage lenders’ discriminatory practices of either refusing to lend to people interested in buying homes in low-income North and Northeast Portland neighborhoods, or exploiting and overcharging the ones that did.

But Oregon’s history of racial housing discrimination runs deeper. The Oregon Constitution in 1859 outlawed Black people from living in the state, owning real estate or entering into contracts. Oregon has since repealed its exclusion laws, officially removing racist wording from its constitution in 2002, and two recent state laws aim to help homeowners remove decades-old and unenforceable racist language in home deeds.

“Oregon is a state that was pretty much created as a white utopia,” Arrive Executive Director Dana Fuller Shepherd said.

At the federal level, the Fair Housing Act of 1968 also sought to end housing discrimination, but barriers for people of color seeking homeownership persist. The gap between white and Black homeowners remained the same in 2020 as it was in 1970, just two years after the law’s passage, according to the U.S. Department of Treasury.

Black households in Oregon also had the lowest rate of home-

ownership with 30% of households owning a home compared to a 67% rate of homeownership among white Oregonians, according to the Oregon Employment Department.

In Oregon, especially in the Portland area, the challenges to accessing homeownership are compounded by decades of displacement from past urban renewal and infrastructure expansion projects such as the Interstate 5 corridor, Rose Quarter and Legacy Emmanuel Hospital, Fuller Shepherd said.

Arrive offers culturally specific counseling to clients to address lingering systemic challenges. Since its establishment, it has guided more than 10,000 Oregonians during the homebuying process.

Oregonians just have to pay a one-time \$99 fee to access a housing counselor who will create a personalized plan to buy a home. Once they’ve paid the fee, they can access unlimited finance, homebuying and homeowner classes such as plumbing 101 or estate planning.

Anyone can register for counseling, but there are income limits to certain lending programs, Fuller Shepherd said.

The lending options that got these Oregonians their first homes

Depending on a person’s credit, Fuller Shepherd said she’s seen people pay as much as \$500 to buy a home.

“It is definitely a myth that you need 20% down to purchase a home,” she said. “I have purchased several and have never had 20% down.”

One way Arrive helps Oregonians buy a home is by providing Oregon Individual Development Accounts, an incentive

program the state established in 1999 that uses the Oregon IDA Tax Credit to guarantee a fund match for low-income Oregonians. Anyone can donate to the program until it reaches the \$7.5 million cap.

Samuels used this option to buy her home. She put \$100 in her account every month for two years and got it matched from the state program. She also saved money in a separate bank account and used settlement money from a car accident to buy her house.

Another lending service Arrive offers is down payment assistance, a program Fuller Shepherd benefitted from herself in 1998 when she bought her first home in Portland as a 22-year-old. Six years after living in her home, she sold it and made money that helped her become financially secure as an adult.

In Oregon, 55% of down payment assistance from the state goes to people of color, according to the Oregon Department of Housing Community Services.

Arrive’s down payment assistance program also helped 26-year-old Gresham resident Teo Ramirez buy his first home. Ramirez grew up in a low-income household, sometimes experiencing periods of homelessness and couch-surfing alongside his mother and sister before spending his teenage years in Portland’s Home Forward affordable housing units.

He said he decided to pursue homeownership after his landlord attempted illegal rent hikes and eviction notices. Plus, he wanted a dog.

“They just tried to do a lot of illegal stuff, and that’s when I was like, ‘Okay, I’m tired of being

a renter,’” he told the Capital Chronicle. “I really want to own my own home and I don’t want to have to fight with a landlord.”

He was making \$70,000 a year when he signed up for Arrive’s services, which was too much money to qualify for some of its lending resources. However, he still met with a housing counselor who helped create a budgeting plan to grow his \$5,000 in savings to \$22,000 over the next year. He secured down payment assistance in the form of an additional loan separate from his main mortgage that covered 20% of the cost of the home at a much lower interest rate. His real estate agent also helped him secure a grant for LGBTQ+ homebuyers.

By Memorial Day weekend, he purchased a three-bedroom, one-bathroom home in Gresham, just five minutes away from where he was renting.

“I would tell people to seek advice and resources that will help you in the process,” he said. “Knowledge is the most powerful thing you can have when you’re overcoming something that feels impossible.”

<https://oregon-capitalchronicle.com/2026/07/22/these-lending-programs-are-helping-underserved-oregonians-buy-homes/>

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Closing Weekend:

7 P.M. Friday, September 4

7 P.M. Saturday, September 5 (CLOSING NIGHT)

Ticket price: \$10

Can be purchased at the door (subject to availability)

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Tickets can be purchased at:

Sawdusttheatre.com, or call 541-396-4563

OR

River Cities Realty, INC. 135 E. 2nd ST., Coquille 541-396-5516

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Community Calendar of Events

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COOS BAY DOWNTOWN FARMERS MARKET
EVERY WEDNESDAY, MAY-OCTOBER – 9 AM-2 PM
CENTRAL AVE, COOS BAY SHOP FOR THE FRESHEST FRUITS, VEGETABLES, MEATS, AND DAIRY PRODUCTS, PLUS UNIQUE ARTS AND CRAFTS FROM NEARLY 90 VENDORS.

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THIRD FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH - 3:00–4:30 PM
COOS BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY, 525 ANDERSON AVE., COOS BAY
A MONTHLY HANGOUT FOR TWEENS AGES 9–14, FEATURING A DIFFERENT ACTIVITY EACH MONTH. ACTIVITIES INCLUDE ART PROJECTS, GAMES, CONVERSATIONS, AND SNACKS.

DANCE AND FITNESS CLASS
EVERY OTHER SATURDAY (YEAR ROUND, EXCEPT HOLIDAYS)
9:00–10:00 AM
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MOVEMENT BASED MUSIC PROGRAM FOR TODDLERS AGES 2–3.

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EVERY SATURDAY - 10:00 AM–4:00 PM (OTHER TIMES BY APPOINTMENT)
PONY VILLAGE MALL, 1611 VIRGINIA AVE., NORTH BEND

MEET ADOPTABLE CATS AND DOGS FROM FRIENDS OF COOS COUNTY ANIMALS. ALL ANIMALS LIVE IN FOSTER HOMES.

PEACEFUL DEMOCRATIC RALLY
FIRST & THIRD SATURDAYS OF EACH MONTH - 12:00–2:00 PM
COOS BAY BOARDWALK, 200 S. BAYSHORE DR.
A COMMUNITY GATHERING TO EXPRESS VIEWS, SUPPORT DEMOCRACY, AND CONNECT WITH LIKE MINDED NEIGHBORS.

BROWNIES & BOARD GAMES (TEENS)
FIRST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH - 4:00 PM
NORTH BEND PUBLIC LIBRARY, 1800 SHERMAN AVE.
TEENS AGES 13–18 ARE INVITED TO PLAY BOARD GAMES AND ENJOY BROWNIES. GAMES AND SNACKS PROVIDED.

FREE MUSEUM ADMISSION AT COOS ART MUSEUM
FIRST FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH
COOS ART MUSEUM, 235 ANDERSON AVE, COOS

CHM FIRST TUESDAY TALK
FIRST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH - 6:00–7:00 PM (DOORS OPEN AT 5:30 PM)
COOS HISTORY MUSEUM, 1210 N. FRONT ST.
COST: FREE FOR MEMBERS; \$7 ADULTS / \$3 YOUTH / \$5 ZOOM
DESCRIPTION: MONTHLY LECTURE ON LOCAL HISTORY TOPICS. PRE REGISTRATION ENCOURAGED.

FURRY FRIENDS THERAPY DOGS, INC. MEETING
FOURTH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH (THIRD THURSDAY IN NOVEMBER & DECEMBER)
CEDAR ROOM, COOS BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY
LEARN ABOUT SHARING YOUR DOG’S LOVE THROUGH THERAPY VISITS. OPEN TO ALL INTERESTED COMMUNITY MEMBERS.

GRIEF & LOSS SUPPORT GROUP
FIRST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH - 12:00–2:00 PM
KAFFE 101, 171 S. BROADWAY, COOS BAY
A WELCOMING SUPPORT GROUP HOSTED BY PACIFIC HOME HEALTH & HOSPICE.

WOMEN’S EMPOWERMENT BOOK CLUB
FIRST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH - 11:00 AM–12:00 PM
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MONTHLY DISCUSSION CELEBRATING WOMEN’S RESILIENCE AND ACHIEVEMENTS.

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BUILD THEMED LEGO CREATIONS USING THE LIBRARY’S BRICK COLLECTION.

PARKINSON’S SUPPORT GROUP
SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH - 1:00–2:30 PM
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SUPPORT AND CONNECTION FOR PEOPLE WITH PARKINSON’S AND CARE PARTNERS.

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SECOND SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH - 9:45 AM VARIES (SEE 40BAB.ORG)
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL ACTIVITY LEVELS FOCUSED ON

COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION.

AMERICAN COUNCIL OF THE BLIND – SOUTH-WEST CHAPTER
SECOND SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH - 11:30 AM MEETING: 12:00 PM
VENTURE INN RESTAURANT, 2265 INLAND DR., COOS BAY
ADVOCACY, SUPPORT, AND COMMUNITY FOR PEOPLE WITH VISUAL IMPAIRMENTS.

ASL PRACTICE PLACE (VIRTUAL)
THIRD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH - 12:00 PM ZOOM
CASUAL ASL CONVERSATION PRACTICE. NOT A CLASS; BEGINNERS WELCOME.

CRAFT TAKEOUT
THIRD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH - 12:00–6:00 PM
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PICK UP A FREE MONTHLY CRAFT KIT WHILE SUPPLIES LAST.

SPANGLISH: SPANISH CONVERSATION GROUP
THIRD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH - 10:30–11:30 AM
COOS BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY, 525 ANDERSON AVE.
INFORMAL SPANISH CONVERSATION PRACTICE FOR ALL SKILL LEVELS.

COMMUNITY COOKING WITH THE CO OP (VIRTUAL)
FOURTH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH - 5:30 PM ZOOM
LEARN SIMPLE, HEALTHY RECIPES AT HOME IN PARTNERSHIP WITH COOS HEAD FOOD CO OP.

AL ANON MEETING
EVERY WEDNESDAY - 7:00 PM
HARMONY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, COOS BAY
PEER SUPPORT FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF PEOPLE WITH ALCOHOL ADDICTION.

STEAMTIME
TUESDAY MORNINGS - 11:00 AM
COOS BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY, 525 ANDERSON AVE.
HANDS ON STEAM ACTIVITIES FOR AGES 4–8, GEARED TOWARD PRE-SCHOOLERS AND HOMESCHOOLERS.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sawdust Presents: “Calamity at the Coquelle Creamery” or “Udder Confusion
June 5 – September 6, Shows at 7:00 PM, Matinees at 2:00 PM
Sawdust Theatre, 120 N. Adams St., Coquille
The melodrama is set on a dairy farm in the lovely Coquille Valley, where

the evil villain Franklin Basher, “that terrible masher,” and villainess Sylvia Silverthroat work their wives against heroine Henrietta Holstein and her hero, Ferdinand Farmsworth.
This year’s play was written for the Sawdust Theatre by longtime Sawdusters Diana Amling, Gael Berhow and Cindy Robnett. Tickets are \$10 and are available at River Cities Realty, Inc., on the theatre’s website SawdustTheatre.com or at the theatre, 120 N. Adams St., before each performance, if seats remain unsold.
More information is available by calling the Sawdust Theatre at 541-396-4563.

OBOB Book Clubs at the North Bend Public Library
Book Club Schedule
· OBOB Book Club (Grades 6-8) Mondays, June 15-August 3 from 4:00-4:45 PM
· OBOB Book Club (Grades 3-5) Tuesdays, June 16-August 4 from 2:00-2:45 PM
· Teen OBOB Book Club (Grades 9-12) Tuesdays, June 16-August 4 from 3:00-3:45 PM
The North Bend Public Library is excited to host a series of Oregon Battle of the Books (OBOB) Book Clubs as part of its 2026 Summer Reading Program. These weekly book clubs will give students the opportunity to read, discuss, and prepare for the 2026-2027 OBOB season in a fun and welcoming group setting.
Each week, participants will discuss one of the eight selected OBOB titles for their division. Students should attend the book club based on the grade they will enter in Fall 2026.
Registration is required and can be completed online at: <https://tinyurl.com/5bspm3zw>. The first 10 participants registered in each book club will receive copies of all the books covered during the program.

Trash Club @ CAM Studio
Every Wednesday in July and August, 3:00-500 PM
CAM Studio, 187 Central Ave, Coos Bay
Come use your recyclable materials and make a different project with us each week. All supplies provided. Donations accepted.

RIVERFRONT RHYTHMS @ THE UMPQUA DISCOVERY CENTER
JULY 23 & AUGUST 6, 6

PM - 7:30 PM
“ON THE WATERFRONT”
409 RIVERFRONT WAY, REEDSPORT
THIS CONCERT SERIES WILL FEATURE THE BANDS SLY & COMPANY ON JULY 23, AND TREASURE PARK ON AUGUST 6.

ACRYLIC PAINTING: PET PORTRAITS.
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FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT THE COQUILLE FIRE DEPT. AT (541) 396-2232.

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AUGUST 7, 5:00 PM
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STARTS AT 5 P.M. AT THE COOS BAY VISITOR CENTER, 50 CENTRAL AVENUE; OR CHECKERBERRY’S FLOWERS & GIFTS AT COOS BAY VILLAGE FROM FEBRUARY - DECEMBER. MAKE A \$10 DONATION AND GET A COMMEMORATIVE WINE GLASS (WHILE SUPPLIES LAST), WRISTBAND, AND THE MAP OF PARTICIPATING BUSINESSES. THIS IS A COOS BAY-NORTH BEND ROTARY CLUB FUNDRAISER WITH PROCEEDS BENEFITTING A DIFFERENT NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION EACH MONTH.

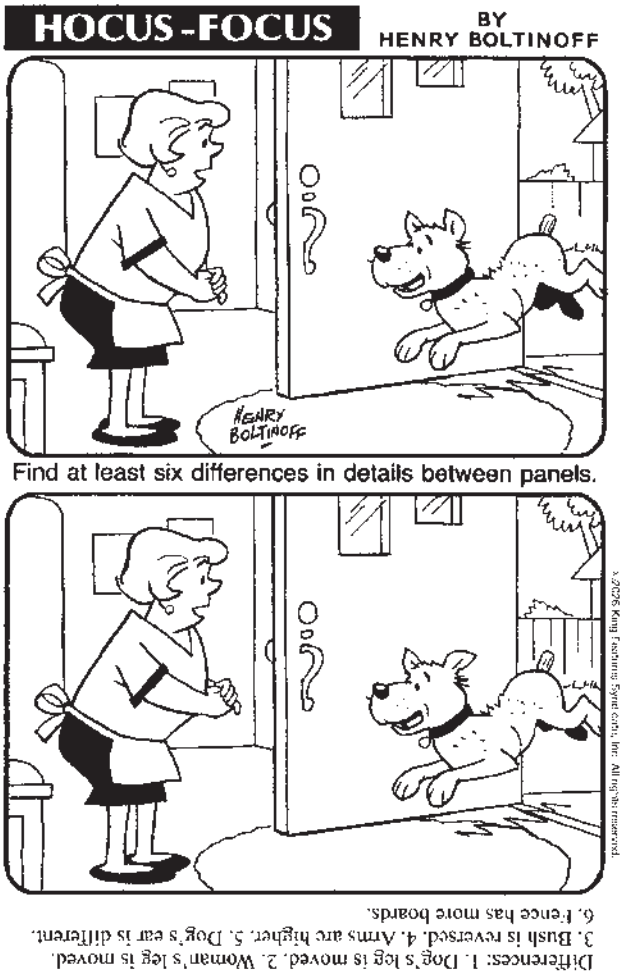
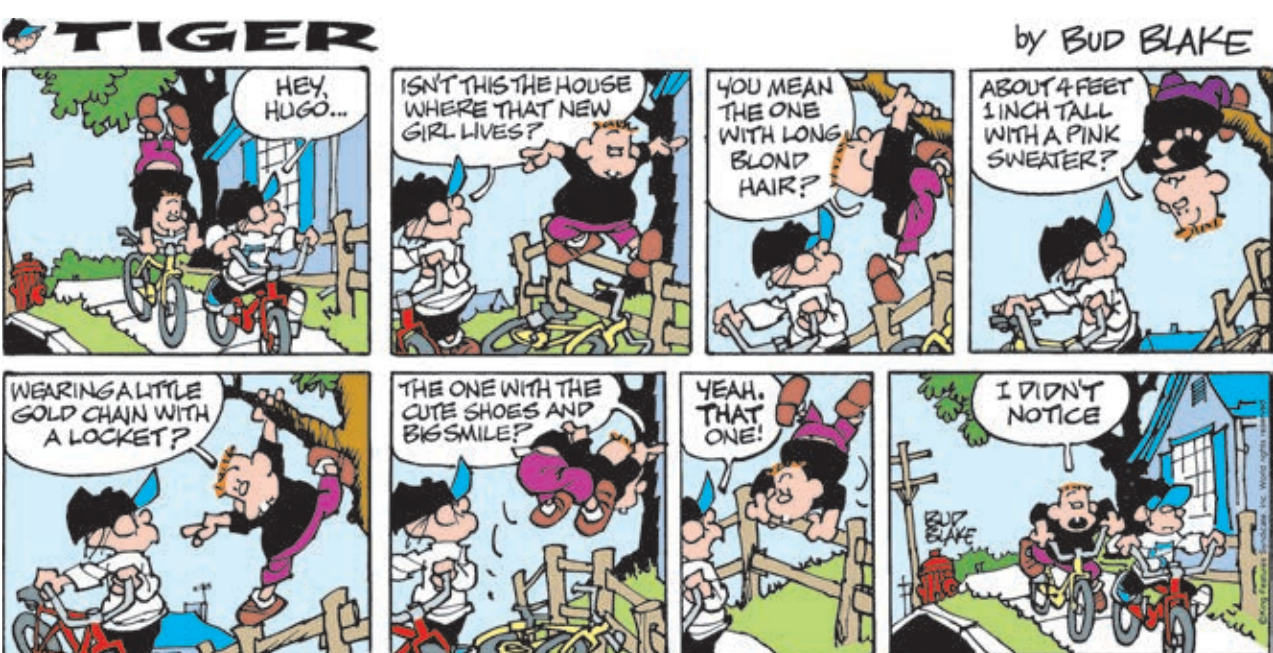
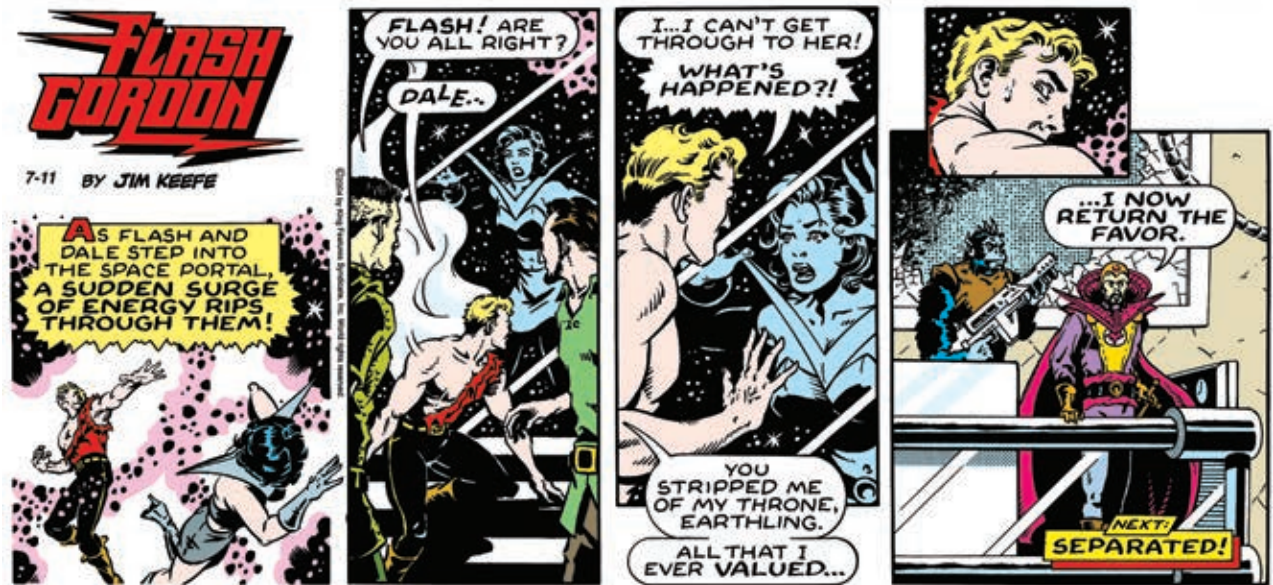
CHILDREN’S MESS-TIVAL AT THE NORTH BEND PUBLIC LIBRARY
AUGUST 8, 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM
UNION STREET, BEHIND NBPL
FREE EVENT FOR CHILDREN AGES 3-12! CELEBRATE THE END OF SUMMER READING PROGRAM 2026! PLAY WITH OOBLECK, WATER, PAINT, BUBBLES & MORE! WEAR CLOTHES AND SHOES THAT CAN GET MESSY! BRING TOWELS FOR CLEANING UP!

CIRCLE THE BAY 30K - SOUTH COAST \ RUNNING CLUB
AUGUST 8
KICK OFF AUGUST 8, 2026, WITH A WATERFRONT CHALLENGE THAT’S AS SCENIC AS IT IS SATISFYING. THIS 30K (18.6-MILE) EVENT STARTS AND FINISHES AT FERRY ROAD PARK IN NORTH BEND AND WINDS THROUGH THE COOS BAY WATERFRONT AND EASTSIDE, SERVING UP FLAT STRETCHES, ROLLING TERRAIN, AND A FINAL LEG MADE FOR HILL LOVERS. RUN THE FULL COURSE SOLO OR TEAM UP FOR A THREE-PERSON RELAY AND TURN IT INTO A RUN-AND-CHEER CELEBRATION.

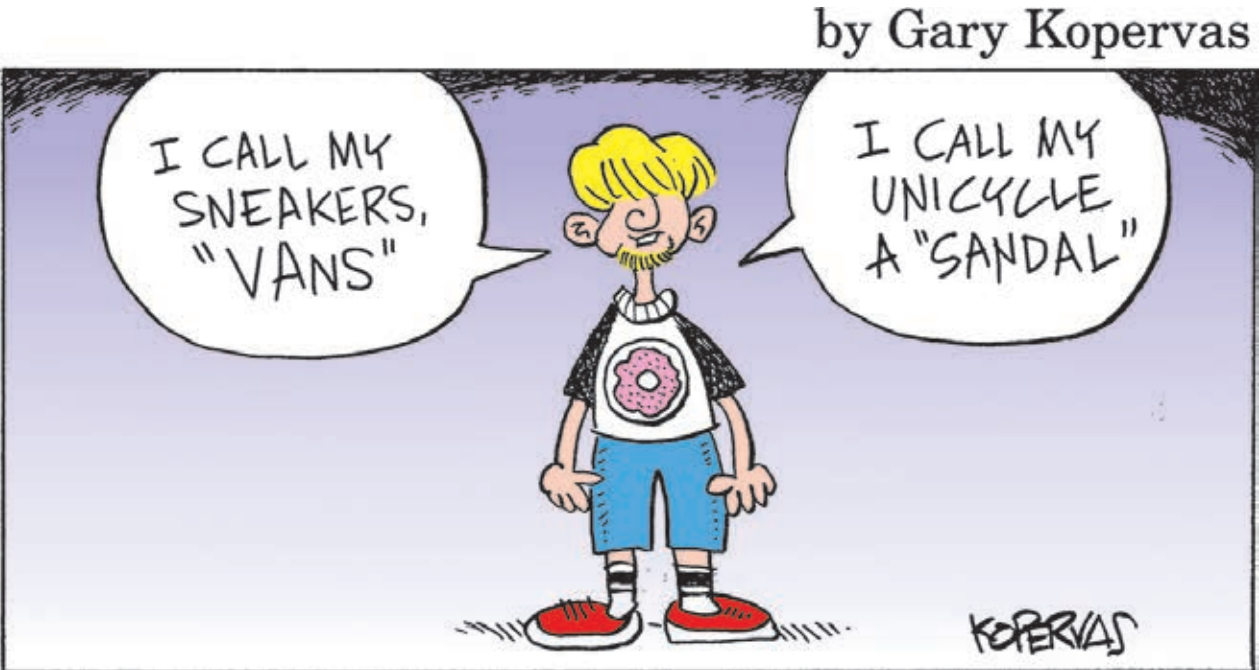
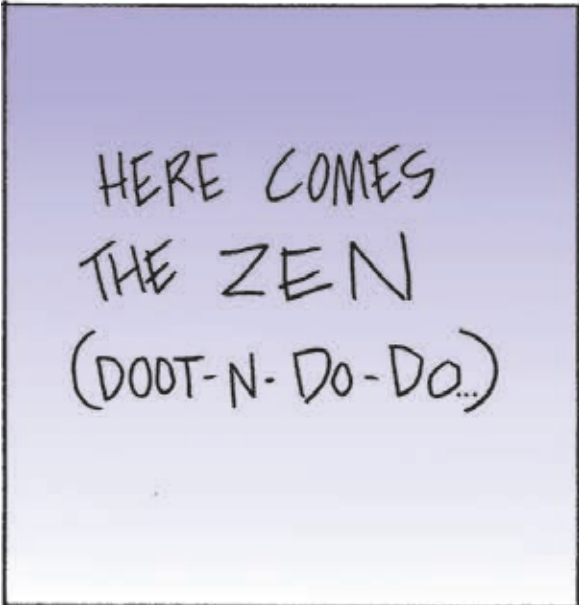
MUSIC ON THE BAY - MAGNOLIA BOULEVARD
AUGUST 13, 2026
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Out on a Limb



Obituaries

Marlan Kent Meek

August 24, 1962 - July 9, 2026



Marlan Kent Meek, 63, of Bridge, Oregon, passed away on July 9, 2026

Born on August 24, 1962, in De Queen, Arkansas, Marlan brought a vibrant spirit and a love for life wherever he went. He was a devoted father, partner, and friend whose warm smile and steady

presence touched everyone around him.

Marlan is survived by his sons, Dylan Meek and Tyler Meek, who were the pride and joy of his life; his daughter in laws, Marissa Meek and Kayla Smith; his beloved grandchildren, Ryker Meek and Cambria Meek, whom he loved with his whole heart; his loving girlfriend, Leanna Guerra, his devoted partner of 28 years; and his brothers, Tony Meek and Curt Meek.

He will be remembered for his passion for playing the drums and the thrill he found riding motorcycles. The sound of his drums echoing from the stage and the sight of him head-

ing out on the open road captured his fun-loving, free-spirited nature.

Though his time with us was cut shorter than we hoped, the love he gave to his family and the memories he created will live on in all of us.

A private celebration of life will be held in his honor.

Online condolences and remembrances may be shared at www.westrumfuneralservice.com

Arrangement are under the direction of Amling/Schroeder Funeral Services-Myrtle Point Chapel 541-572-2524

Richard Earl Todd

Richard (Dick) Earl Todd and his twin brother were born on February 16, 1935, in Newport Vermont; to John Leigh Todd and Fannie Josephine (Misner) Todd. He grew up and attended school in Ogdensburg, New York, graduating from Ogdensburg Free Academy in 1953. He attended SUNY (State University of New York) Agriculture and Technical Institute at Morrisville, NY graduating with an Associate Degree in Food Technology. He worked briefly for the Bird's Eye Corporation.

After earning his nursing degree, he obtained his anesthesia certification at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota. He worked as a Nurse Anesthetist for nearly 50 years and loved every minute of his career. He primarily worked in small, rural hospitals, but also worked in Syracuse, New

York and the University Hospital in San Diego.

Dick enjoyed carpentry and while working in Carthage, New York, built his own home. Carthage is also where he met his future wife, Colleen Doherty. They were married in 1972 in La Jolla, California.

Dick loved being a Dad and participated in any way he could. He was a Little League Baseball coach, and an eager assistant and avid supporter of all their activities.

He also enjoyed travel, woodworking and nature photography but most of all: fishing!

He was a faithful member of Pioneer United Methodist Church/Pioneer Faith Church, serving as treasurer for many years. He also felt the call to help others by going on several medical missions in Mexico and Africa.

Dick is preceded in

death by his parents and his twin brother, John Lee Todd.

Dick leaves behind his wife of 54 years, Colleen; his daughter Debra Granger and son Mark Todd, of Watertown, NY; son Eric Todd, Yuma, AZ; and son Scott Todd, Albany, OR and Molly.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, August 1, at 11:00 AM at Pioneer Faith Church, 180 Knott St., Coquille, OR. family celebration of life held by all his children and grandchildren. Friends, family, and his students are encouraged to sign the online guestbook at www.coosbayareafunerals.com and www.theworldlink.com. Per his request, contributions in his memory may be made to the Coos Art Museum, 235 Anderson, Coos Bay, OR 97420.

Death Notices

John William Rempelos, 68, of North Bend, passed away on July 15, 2026 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

Sook Myong Willard, 87, of Coquille, passed away July 18, 2026 in Coquille. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 www.coosbayareafunerals.com

Sharon Kay Threet, 70, of Coos Bay, passed away July 16, 2026 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 www.coosbayareafunerals.com

Linda Kay McQuaw, 84, of Myrtle Point, passed away July 19, 2026 in Myrtle Point. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 www.coosbayareafunerals.com

Debra J. Griffith, 69, of Bandon, passed away July 12, 2026 at Coos Bay. Cremation Rites are under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

Shannon M. Buck, 55, of Coos Bay passed away July 10, 2026 at Eugene. Cremation Rites are under

the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

David E. Freidel, 72, of Coos Bay, passed away July 10, 2026 at Coos Bay. Cremation Rites are under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

Tina Yvonne Quercia, 76, of Coos Bay, passed away July 7, 2026 at Coos Bay. Cremation Rites are under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

Richard "Dick" Lind, 82, of Lakeside, passed away June 25, 2026 at Lakeside. Cremation Rites are under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

Piers Theodore Baker, 74, of Coos Bay, passed away June 25, 2026 at Coos Bay. Cremation Rites are under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

Sandi L. Whitaker, 81, of North Bend, passed away July 19, 2026 at Coos Bay. Cremation Rites are under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay,

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Tyler Anthony Gibbs, 22, of Portland (formerly of Coquille), passed away June 18, 2026 at Portland. Cremation Rites are under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

Brenda Finicum, 66, of Coos Bay, passed away July 21, 2026 at Coos Bay. Cremation Rites are under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

Scott A. Trochta, 57, of North Bend, passed away on July 20, 2026 in North Bend. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

Nicholas "Nick" A. Longton, 40, of Coos Bay, passed away on July 17, 2026 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

Alexander "Alex" L. Waltensperger Jr., 81, of North Bend, passed away on July 21, 2026 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

Sharon-Michele McCombs, 70, of Coos Bay, passed away June 18, 2026 in Myrtle Point. Arrangements under the care of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 541-267-4216



Prepare Mini Eggplant Pizzas the Italian Way

One of the joys of raising kids is making new friends with others who are also raising kids. When my three were preschoolers, I regularly met up with neighborhood moms at the bus stop in the morning or for ballgames at the park and story time at the library. As the kids grew, so did the friendships.

Six of us still make a point of getting together throughout the seasons to celebrate our birthdays. One recent gathering was particularly memorable. Instead of meeting at a restaurant, we donned aprons in one of our kitchens and huddled around the center island for a cooking lesson that was taught by my neighbor Cristina, an energetic mom from Italy.

"To an American eye, Italy might seem the same with pasta and pizza wherever you go," she began. "But for food lovers, it's a country waiting to be discovered! Each region has its unique flavors and cooking techniques. For example, the taste of a simple ricotta cheese can vary from place to place," she said.

As she shared her passion for Italian food, she emphasized that using fresh, seasonal ingredients is the key to tasty meals. This is when she showed us how to transform eggplant into a light side dish called Pizzette di melanzane, which is common in the Campania region that she's from. Like a pizza minus the crust, these mini eggplant pizzas are tasty and versatile!

Now that eggplants are plentiful in our markets, find Campania on a map, and have fun preparing this easy and authentic Italian recipe with your kids!

MINI EGGPLANT PIZZAS (PIZZETTE DE MELANZANE)

Makes 8-10 mini pizzas

- 1 large eggplant, about 1 pound
- 3/4 cup tomato puree
- 4 cloves fresh garlic, chopped
- Salt to taste
- Dried oregano to taste
- 1 cup coarsely shredded mozzarella cheese, or a 4-ounce bag
- Parmigiano Reggiano (optional)

Here's the fun: Preheat the oven to 400 F. An adult should cut the eggplant into 1/2-inch-thick rounds. Arrange them on a lightly oiled baking sheet.

As if constructing mini pizzas, let kids spoon the tomato puree over each round. Scatter the garlic and oregano, sprinkle salt to taste, and top with mozzarella. Add Parmigiano Reggiano, if you wish.



Bake rounds in the oven for 25 minutes, or until mozzarella has melted completely and bubbles. Serve immediately as a light side dish with a summer pasta salad and other fresh vegetables.

As an alternative, Cristina suggests serving the mini pizzas cold in a sandwich.

Cook's Note: If your child's like her young daughter, omit the garlic until they develop a taste for it.

Donna Erickson creates relationships and community through food and fun. Find more to nourish and delight you at www.donnaerickson.com.

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Fun Fact

The most populous country on earth is India, with over a billion and a half people. Its oldest continuously-inhabited city is Varanasi. Located in the north on the sacred river Ganges, it has a history dating back over 3,000 years.

Sources: www.worldometers.info
www.civitatatis.com



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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. GAMES: What is the goal space in the board game Candy Land?

2. GEOGRAPHY: How many countries and territories border Spain?

3. TELEVISION: What are Captain Picard's two favorite catchphrases in "Star Trek: The Next Generation"?

4. FOOD & DRINK: What is brioche?

5. CHEMISTRY: Which metal has the highest melting point?

6. LITERATURE: Who is credited as the author of "The Odyssey"?

7. U.S. STATES: Which state is home to Acadia National Park?

8. MOVIES: What is the name of Dottie's team in "A League of Their Own"?

9. COMICS: Who is the archenemy of the Fantastic Four?

10. SCIENCE: What is the thickest layer of Earth?

Answers

1. King Kandy's Castle.

2. Five — Portugal, France, Andorra, Morocco and the British territory of Gibraltar.

3. "Make it so" and "Engage."

4. A rich French bread.

5. Tungsten.

6. The poet Homer.

7. Maine.

8. The Rockford Peaches.

9. Doctor Doom.

10. The mantle.

Community CALENDAR

SUMMER SCIENCE MOVIES IN THE PARK AUGUST 14 AND 28, 8 PM AND 7:30 PM MINGUS PARK AMPHI- THEATRE BROUGHT TO YOU BY COOS WATERSHED ASSOCIATION AND CITY OF COOS BAY. COME ENJOY TWO OUTDOOR, WATERSHED-THEMED MOVIES WHILE SUR- ROUNDED BY NATURE! ALL FILMS ARE FAM- ILY-FRIENDLY. VISIT COOSWATERSHED.ORG AND COOSWA SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES FOR UP- DATES AND SCHEDULE CHANGES.

MUSIC ON THE BAY - JACQUIE ROAR AUGUST 20 JACQUIE ROAR WILL PERFORM HER COUN- TRY ROCK REPERTOIRE AT THE MINGUS PARK AMPHITHEATER AS PART OF MUSIC ON THE BAY’S COMPLIMENTARY CONCERT SERIES. THE SECOND EVENT FEAT- URES THE FORMER VOICE CONTESTANT AND FOURTH-PLACE FINALIST, PRESENTING

HER TALENTS TO THE OREGON BAY AREA COMMUNITY. ATTEND- EES ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING CHAIRS, BLANKETS, AND PICNIC PROVISIONS TO ENJOY THE PLEASANT SUR- ROUNDINGS AND EXPE- RIENCE AN EVENING OF EXCEPTIONAL MUSIC.

CAM KIDS 2-DAY SUM- MER CAMP AUGUST 21 & 22, 11:00- 3:00 PM CAM STUDIO, 187 CEN- TRAL AVE, COOS BAY KIDS WILL LEARN WA- TERCOLOR, COLLAGE, AIR DRY CLAY, AND ACRYLIC PAINTING. \$75 PER STUDENT, AGES 8-13. SIGN-UP ONLINE AT COOSARTMUSEUM. ORG.

ANNUAL BLACKBERRY ARTS FESTIVAL AUGUST 22 - AUGUST 23, SAT 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM SUN 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM THE ANNUAL BLACK- BERRY ART FESTIVAL CELEBRATES ART AND OREGON’S FAVORITE BERRY ON AUGUST

22 AND 23. FOR 40+ YEARS, THIS JURIED FESTIVAL HAS SHOW- CASED LOCAL AND REGIONAL ARTISTS DURING PEAK AUGUST BLACKBERRY SEASON. SHOP METALWORK, JEWELRY, QUILTS, CAN- DLES, HAND-PAINTED CLOTHING, CARVED WOOD, WINE, AND MORE. ENJOY FOOD VENDORS (YES, BLACK- BERRY TREATS), PLUS LIVE MUSIC ON THE BLACKBERRY JAM STAGE ALL WEEKEND. ADMISSION IS FREE AND THE STREET FAIR AND VENDORS ARE LO- CATED ALONG CENTRAL AVENUE IN DOWNTOWN COOS BAY, SATURDAY 9 A.M. - 6 P.M. AND SUN- DAY 10 A.M. - 4 P.M.

SALTY SISTERS ALL WOMEN TUNA ADVEN- TURE AUGUST 22 JOIN SALTY SISTERS ADVENTURES FOR A FULL-DAY OFFSHORE TUNA FISHING ADVEN- TURE ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 22 (YES- IT’S AS EPIC AS IT SOUNDS.) THIS WOMEN’S-ONLY TRIP DEPARTS FROM

CHARLESTON, OREGON, HEADING OFFSHORE INTO THE PACIFIC IN SEARCH OF ALBACORE TUNA. WHETHER YOU’RE A SEASONED ANGLER OR SOME- ONE WHO’S ALWAYS WANTED TO TRY OCEAN FISHING, YOU’LL BE IN GOOD HANDS WITH EX- PERIENCED, LICENSED GUIDES WHO ACTUALLY WANT YOU TO CATCH FISH. BRING YOUR SENSE OF ADVENTURE, YOUR SEA LEGS, AND YOUR APPETITE FOR A SERIOUSLY GOOD DAY ON THE WATER. FISH- ING GEAR IS INCLUDED. SPACES ARE LIMITED

WILDER FRETS: CLAS- SICAL GUITAR IN THE WILDERNESS AUGUST 25 - AUGUST 26, 2026 JOIN AWARD-WINNING CLASSICAL GUITAR VIRTUOSO AND AR- TISTIC DIRECTOR TYE AUSTIN FOR AN EVE- NING OF BEAUTIFUL SPANISH AND LATIN AMERICAN GUITAR MUSIC AT SHORE ACRES STATE PARK ON AUGUST 25–26 AT 5:30

PM. SEATING BEGINS AT 4:30 PM. WILDER FRETS TRANSFORMS ORE- GON’S BREATHTAKING NATURAL LANDSCAPES INTO UNFORGETTABLE OUTDOOR CONCERT VENUES, BRINGING WORLD-CLASS MUSIC BEYOND THE TRA- DITIONAL CONCERT HALL.

IN A LANDSCAPE: CLASSICAL MUSIC CONCERT AT SHORE ACRES STATE PARK AUGUST 29 – 5:00 PM IN A LANDSCAPE BRINGS A 9-FOOT STEINWAY GRAND PIANO ON A FLATBED TRAILER TO NATIONAL & STATE PARKS, URBAN GREENSPACES, WORK- ING RANCHES, FARMS, AND HISTORICAL SITES FOR CLASSICAL MU- SIC CONCERTS THAT CONNECT PEOPLE WITH EACH LANDSCAPE. TO MEET THE ACOUSTICAL CHALLENGES OF PER- FORMING IN THE WILD, MUSIC IS TRANSMIT- TED TO CONCERT-GO- ERS VIA WIRELESS HEADPHONES. NO LONGER CONFINED TO

SEATS, CONCERT GO- ERS CAN EXPLORE THE LANDSCAPE, WANDER THROUGH THE SHORE ACRES GARDEN, LIE IN SUNNY MEADOWS, AND ROAM ALONG THE RUGGED CLIFFS.

MUSIC ON THE BAY - THE DRUNKEN HEARTS SEPTEMBER 3 MINGUS PARK THE DRUNKEN HEARTS WILL BE PERFORMING THEIR ALT COUNTRY/ AMERICANA MUSIC AT THE MINGUS PARK AMPHITHEATER AS PART OF MUSIC ON THE BAY’S FOURTH OF SIX FREE CONCERTS. BOTTLING OUTLAW COUNTRY GRIT, PO- ETIC STORYTELLING, AND COSMIC ROCK ENERGY INTO A SOUND THAT IS GOING TO FILL THE PARK. COME WITH YOUR CHAIRS, A BLANKET, AND SOME PICNIC FOOD TO SOAK IN THE LOVELY ATMO- SPHERE AND ENJOY AN EVENING FILLED WITH OUTSTANDING MUSIC.

State forest management plan approved

The Oregon Board of Forestry has approved a new Western Oregon State Forests Management Plan (FMP). The long-term plan, along with locally-focused, shorter-term implementation and operation plans, ensures state forests provide the social, economic and environmental benefits required of state forestlands. The new plan is aligned with the expected approval of the submitted Western Oregon State Forests Habitat Conserva- tion Plan (HCP) by the federal services later this year or in early 2027. The board’s approval stipulates that the new FMP is to become effective once ODF receives an approved HCP and incidental take permits from the federal services. “This plan, when implemented

along with the HCP, will provide economic certainty for timber harvests, environmental protec- tions and enhancements, and continued recreational opportu- nities for all who depend on, use, and care about Oregon’s state forests,” ODF State Forests Divi- sion Chief Mike Wilson said. The new FMP has been in development since 2018, and Wilson has been involved with the effort from the start. “Developing a plan like this over such a long timeframe not only requires immense dedi- cation from ODF staff, but an enormous about of outreach and collaboration,” Wilson said. “Our county partners, tribes, other state agencies, stakeholders and the general public have been essential in crafting a plan that would be compatible with an



HCP and still provide decision space for the board and depart- ment to manage our state forest- lands into the future.” When effective, the new FMP will replace the 2010 Northwest and Southwest FMPs and the 2011 Elliott State Forest FMP. (The Elliott FMP still governs the management of Board of Forestry parcels adjacent to the

Elliott State Research Forest.) While state forests management is still government by the current FMP and associated implementa- tion and annual operating plans, the board’s decision gives ODF the clarity to move forward with crafting new plans for fiscal year 2028 that provide more specif- ic management objectives and operational details. For more about the manage- ment of state forests see ODF’s website. The Western Oregon State Forests Habitat Conservation Plan under review by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and NOAA Fisheries, provides an integrated, collaborative, ecosystem-based approach to species conservation across the landscape and will ideally result in the department being issued

incidental take permits (ITPs) for 15 species of wildlife and fish. The conservation measures in the HCP are designed to offset potential impacts from forest management, while the ITPs ensure compliance with the Endangered Species Act (ESA). Together, the plan and permits provide a more holistic, cost-ef- fective approach to ESA compli- ance, while also creating more certainty around the long-term financial viability of manag- ing state forests for economic benefits. Learn more about the HCP at: <https://www.oregon.gov/odf/aboutodf/pages/hcp-initiative.aspx> The Oregon Board of Forestry approved the plan in a 5-2 vote July 22.

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- Turn on your head- lights using low beams. High beams can reflect off smoke and make visibility worse.

- Keep your windows closed and set your vehi- cle’s ventilation system to recirculate.
- Stay alert for changing traffic patterns, emergency responders and stopped vehicles.

- If visibility becomes unsafe, pull completely off the roadway only when you can do so safely. Many fire camps and staging areas are located near highways. Fire crews and heavy equipment may

be entering and exiting the highway frequently. When traveling near wild- fire activity:

- Slow down and follow posted speed limits.
- Watch for firefighters and emergency personnel working on or near the road. Move over when you can, slow down when you can’t and give them plenty of space to work safely.
- Give fire equipment exta space to merge, turn and access the highway safely.
- Obey all traffic control devices, flaggers and road closures.

Help prevent roadside fires Drivers can also help reduce the risk of starting new wildfires by:

- Parking only on pave- ment, gravel or developed pullouts where hot exhaust systems and catalytic con- verters won’t ignite dry grass.
- Properly disposing of cigarettes or other flamma- ble materials.
- Securing trailer chains so they don’t drag and cre- ate sparks.

More resources

- For current wildfire information, visit the Northwest Coordination Center or osfminfo.org
- Visit wildfire.oregon.gov for wildfire preparedness information and resources before, during and after a wildfire.
- Sign up for local emer- gency alerts at [ORAlert.gov](https://oralert.gov).
- Monitor air quality and smoke conditions at OregonSmoke.org.
- Learn how to prevent human-caused wildfires and help protect Oregon’s land- scapes at KeepOregonGreen.org.

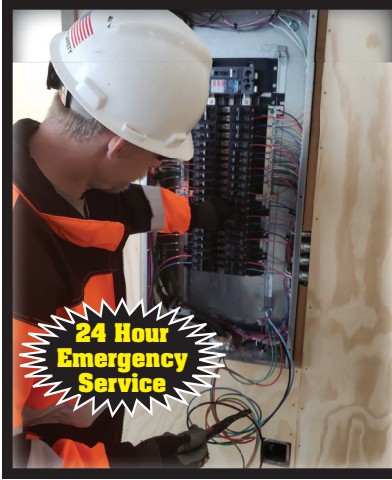
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is set for Friday, Aug. 7, from 1 to 4:30 p.m. in the Red Lion Hotel Conference room, 1313 N. Bayshore Drive, Coos Bay. Registra- tion for the free workshop for people 60 years and older is now open. Topics include “age-friendly strat- egies for living your best life” and “Taming the Tiger in my Head: Negative Self Talk.” For information, contact Lualhati Anderson at 541-751-5024 or email

lualhati.anderson@chw.coos.or.us. **COMING EVENTS:** National Night Out, Aug. 4, 5 to 8, Bandon City Park, free food, entertain- ment, meet first responders and connect with commu- nity members. Save Our Lighthouse fundraiser Saturday, Aug. 8, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Bul- lards Park pavilion picnic site. Last year’s event was a big success, with a big crowd enjoying hot dogs and shopping for light- house apparel and memo-abilia.

Aug. 15, Coastal Memo- ry Walk, annual fundraiser for Alzheimer’s Disease, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. City Park. For info or to make a pledge contact Kim Hicks at 541-347-7502 As I write this Sunday evening, Councilor Made- line Seymour, who fell from a ladder and broke her hip July 3, remains in a Swing Bed at Southern Coos Hospital and Health Center, hoping for good news when she sees the surgeon Thursday as she is anxious to return home.

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