

Coos Bay

Coos Bay City Council votes to institute vacant and blighted property fees

By NATE SCHWARTZ
Editor

The Coos Bay City Council approved a new fee structure for unused and blighted buildings in the hopes registered properties will be encouraged to avoid stagnation. At the meeting on July 7, 2026, they council voted to enact an ordinance that expanded the city's recourse for dealing with vacant or delinquent properties in the residential, commercial and industrial zones. This meeting finalized the fee rates and schedule.

Following a clarifying question from Councilor Stephanie Kilmer, City Manager Nichole Rutherford explained what properties might qualify.

"Our intention is to understand the use of properties in the community. When they're vacant, that's one thing. We want to make sure if you have property here, that you're an engaged owner. Blight is a whole other thing, and blight and nuisance can run hand in hand..."

"We've given some ideas of what a [blighted property] looks like, but what we're hoping is, over time, people will start to understand what it means to be a property owner here, and how you keep them. It doesn't have



to be in pristine condition, but it should fit in well with the environment in which that property exists," said Rutherford.

She went on to emphasize especially how that applies to the "downtown core" of buildings. The council has been hoping to not only fill vacant store fronts, and continue downtown revitalization, but to take advantage of low-rise or second-floor apartments to alleviate housing concerns.

The fees scale up from residential to industrial as you move through the sectors. For instance, a residential property that has sit vacant for between 12 and 24 months could be subject to a \$750 fee. Should that lack of use stretch beyond two years, you are looking at a \$1,500 fine.

In the commercial or mixed-use zone, that 12-to-24-month fee is \$1000 and over two-year fee is \$200. Industrial sits at

\$1,500 and \$2000 for the same respective vacancy periods. There are additional fees for chronic noncompliance and repeated administrative penalties that can be applied as needed.

While the council discussed whether this was a strong enough incentive, there is an inherent element of self-reporting required from property owners as they will have to register. Though, it was considered that utility usage information from the water board, for instance, could be used to identify unused properties.

"I want to tell the public, this is not something we took lightly," said Mayor Joe Benetti. "There are building that we have tried to facilitate... These are the building and the types of out-of-state individuals that are not helping the downtown and are being a detriment. Not just affecting downtown's looks and being unoccupied, but the other business which are hurting... Hopefully this will get people on board to do something with their property."

As far as code violations are concerned, there is a baked in level of flexibility that will allow more leniency for owners willing to work with the city and show progress. The Urban Renewal Agency will be an important

partner in this, as URA funds have been already been offered to many blighted and unused properties for abatement, but it is the prerogative of the owners as to whether they accept that money or not. Benetti had strong words for some of the property owners who have refused to engage with the city.

"There are property owners out there right now that we have tried to work with, and tried to help, and have totally ignored us," said Benetti. "As far as I'm concerned, they are slum lords taking advantage of the situation and people, and put people out homeless on the streets because of their actions. I think that's totally uncalled for. So, that's what's forced us to do this. And staff doesn't have to be hard-nosed on this. They can be lenient if necessary."

The council, following suggestion from Councilor Lucinda DiNovo, agreed to continually analyze the fee structure every 90 days to confirm that it is properly incentivizing trouble properties. The "stick" can be adjusted according to success. The hope is that owners will come to the table to help stabilize, reintegrate,

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The Oregon Employment Department reports 2,100,219 people employed and 118,301 unemployed in the state in July.

Oregon's nonfarm payroll employment drops by 4,100 in July

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Oregon's seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment declined by 4,100 jobs, following a revised gain of 1,300 jobs in June, according to the Oregon Employment Department.

July's losses were largest in professional and business services (-1,800 jobs), leisure and hospitality (-900), and government (-700).

Gains were largest in retail trade (+500 jobs).

In the past 12 months, professional and business services was on a slightly downward trend, declining by 2,500 jobs, or 1.0%. Most of the decline was in management of companies and enterprises, which cut 2,200 jobs, or 4.6%, in that time. The other two component industries saw little change during that period: professional and technical services (+200 jobs, or 0.2%) and administrative and waste services (-500 jobs, or -0.5%).

Leisure and hospitality employed 203,800 in July, which was 3,500 jobs below its average of 207,300 from 2023 through 2025. It cut 3,800 jobs since January, following a very flat trend during the prior three years. Despite recent weakness, its component industry arts, entertainment, and recreation added 200 jobs in July to reach a record high of 31,300.

Oregon's government sector lost 4,500 jobs, or -1.4%, since July 2025. All components cut since July 2025. Federal government dropped 1,600 jobs, or -5.7%; state government lost 200 jobs, or -0.4%; and local government job counts declined by 2,700, or -1.1%.

Retail trade added 500 jobs in July, but that follows a consistent long-term trend of job declines during the past four years. It employed 198,000 in July, which was a drop of 12,700 jobs, or 6.0%, since July 2022.

Oregon's unemployment rate was 5.2% in July. It has been 5.2% each month since January. The U.S. unemployment rate was 4.2% in June and 4.1% in July

Lakeside Man Sentenced to federal prison on methamphetamine, firearm charges

A Lakeside, Oregon, man was sentenced to federal prison on August 18, for possession with the intent to distribute methamphetamine.

Bradley Vernon Mullanix, 50, was sentenced to 51 months in federal prison and 5 years' supervised release, announced U.S. Attorney Scott E. Bradford for the District of Oregon.

According to court documents, on February 5th Mullanix purchased two pounds of Methamphetamine from an undercover

agent, believing he was a drug dealer. Mullanix paid \$2,400 for the drugs and intended to sell them. Upon placing the drugs on a scale, he was arrested.

Mullanix had previously been caught in illegal possession and sold firearms in June 2024. Mullanix sold the firearms to a confidential informant. Those firearms were seized by law enforcement and will be forfeited.

On February 6, 2025, Mullanix was charged by criminal complaint with posses-

sion of a firearm by a prohibited person and possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine.

On May 14, 2026, Mullanix pled guilty to possession with the intent to distribute methamphetamine.

This case was investigated by ATF and the South Coast Interagency Narcotics Team. It was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Joseph Huynh.

Senator David Brock Smith honored with selection for Henry Toll Fellowship

For the World

Senator David Brock Smith (R-Port Orford) has been named by the Council of State Governments as a member of the prestigious 2026 CSG Henry Toll Fellowship Class. The Toll Fellows Program targets outstanding rising state government officials who have demonstrated exceptional promise and a commitment to collaborative leadership and public service.

The Henry Toll Fellowship is considered one of the nation's premier leadership development programs for state officials. This year's class will bring together 48 leading public servants from 32 states and U.S. territories representing all three branches of state government. Since its founding in 1986, more than 1,400 alumni have completed the fellowship, including governors,



chief justices, legislative leaders, and attorneys general.

Senator David Brock Smith, who serves as Co-Chair and State Liaison of the CSG West Wildfires & Disaster Preparedness Committee, said he is honored to join the 2026 class and contribute to the program's 40-year legacy of strengthening state governance.

"The Council of State Governments continues to lead in developing collaborative, bipartisan solutions to the challenges

facing our states," Senator Brock Smith said. "I am grateful for this opportunity to join fellow public servants from across our nation in advancing leadership excellence, strengthening relationships, and bringing home new tools to better serve Oregonians."

"The Toll Fellowship equips some of the nation's most promising leaders with the relationships, perspectives, and skills needed to bring people together, solve problems and strengthen public service," said CSG Executive Director/CEO David Adkins, a former Kansas state senator and 1993 CSG Henry Toll Fellow alumnus. "CSG is honored to recognize this exceptional class and invest in their continued growth as leaders committed to serving their communities"

Senator Smith also acknowledged the leadership of CSG Executive Director and CEO David Adkins, himself a 1993 Toll

Fellow, and welcomed the program's strengthened connection to CSG's national membership engagement team under Senior Director Ann Pardalos.

"I am honored to join CSG Executive Director and CEO David Adkins and leaders from across the country, as I have dedicated my life in public service to build teams, and bridges, to solve problems," said Senator Brock Smith. "As Oregon continues to confront complex issues, from wildfire preparedness and coastal resilience to public safety and economic development, the partnerships fostered through CSG and our work across the nation, is invaluable. I look forward to representing our state and continuing this important bipartisan work with colleagues across the country. Our collaborative efforts for our residents will only strengthen our beloved Oregon and our great United States," concluded Smith.

Opinion

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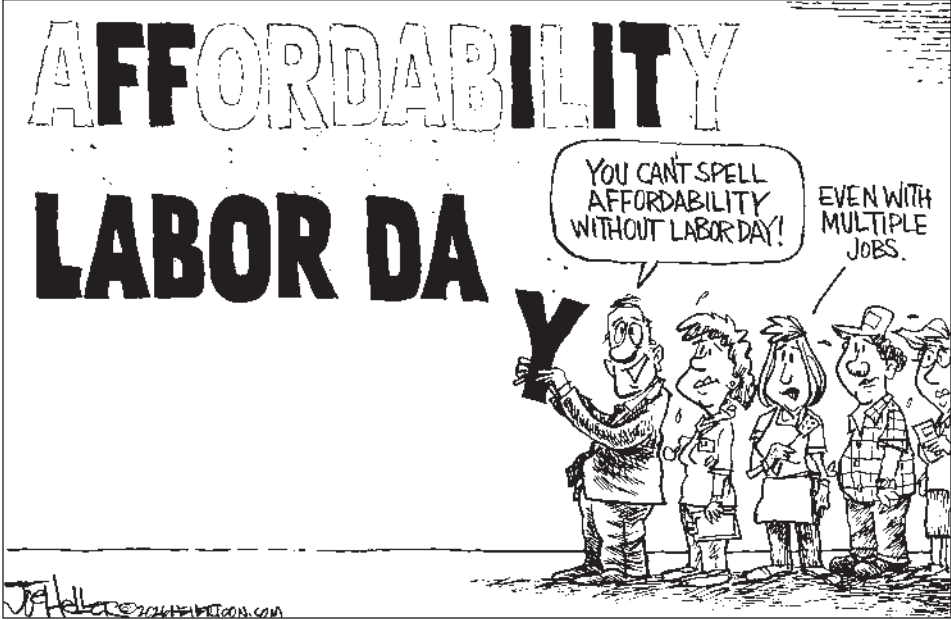
FROM THE DESK OF
ROSEY THOMAS
Executive Director, Bay Area
Chamber of Commerce

Bowling, Bocce’s Cousin, and a Little Italian Fun!
Ciao, Chamber friends! I of course, am learning Italian for our upcoming Chamber Trip to Italy in 2027, more to come on that later... But, It is time to gather your squadra (team) and get ready for our Taking Care of Business Bowling Tournament, Thursday, August 27, from 5–9 p.m. at North Bend Lanes Back Alley Pub & Grille!
Teams of four to six will



enjoy bowling, cornhole, great networking and plenty of friendly competition. Dinner is included, featuring delicious tri-tip sandwiches and Hawaiian mac salad. Or, as they say in Italy, mangia!
Of course, the cos-

tume contest is always a hoot, I will be dressed as an Italian tourist, so get creative and come dressed to impress. There will be prize drawings, laughter and plenty of opportunities to connect with fellow businesses. Find out which business wins the Strutter award, or the stinker!
Teams are forming now, and we are also accepting prize donations. Sign up at oregonsbayarea.org and join us for a bellissimo evening of Taking Care of Business!
Our business is helping your business.



Holy Cow! History

O Canada, That Town Name!

By J. MARK POWELL
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What’s in a name, Shakespeare once famously asked. Plenty, when it happens to be the moniker of both the place where you live and the symbol of pure evil.
However, it didn’t start out that way.
In fact, it began with something totally unexpected.
Marcus Powell was walking through a farm field in eastern Ontario, Canada, one afternoon in 1866. His day job was clerking in the local court. His passion, his part-time profession, was prospecting. He was hoping to find copper. But that day he stumbled upon something infinitely more valuable.
Gold. The shiny metal that has held sway over mankind’s desires since the dawn of recorded time. Wars were fought over it; empires rose and fell because of it. And there it was, right in Canada’s heartland.
Powell leased the farm from its owner, brought in a pair of investors from Chicago, and in 1867 the Richardson Mine began digging. It was soon producing gold nuggets the size of walnuts. And with that, the Ontario Gold Rush was on.
Though lost in the shadow of other, larger, more lucrative booms, such as the California Gold Rush of 1848-1850 and the 1865-1890 Klondike Gold Rush (which produced around 12 million and more than 6 million troy ounces of bullion respectively), Ontario’s was far



smaller. However, it ultimately yielded a respectable 22,000 troy ounces.
Unlike many booms that come and soon play out, this one stretched into the early 20th century. Which is where the town and its unusual (to say the least) name enter the story.
Brothers James and William Dusty were prospectors under contract with the Tavistock Mining Partnership. They’d been working the soil for several years and had yet to strike it big. But their fortunes changed one late summer day.
Because on September 7, 1907, they discovered something in the Kirkland Lake district that made them famous in their time. That Monday, James lowered himself into a shallow opening in some exposed bedrock. And there it was, just a few feet below the surface. His eyes fell on a quartz vein containing that unmistakable metal glowing within.
“Gold!” he screamed excitedly.

James scrambled to the surface. Others went down and quickly confirmed it.
Jubilant took over as the men dreamed of what would come next. For that tiny hole in the ground was about to be turned into a gold mine. Literally. Someone asked what it would be called.
A young girl had accompanied her father, one of Tavistock’s directors, to the site. James looked at the twisted cross she wore on her necklace and instantly had the answer.
“Swastika,” he said.
“We’ll call it the Swastika Mine.”
Shocked? Don’t be. In 1907, Adolf Hitler was a failed artist living in a Vienna flophouse amid his delusions of grandeur and the Nazi Party he went on to lead was still 12 years in the future.
Rather, the swastika was a Sanskrit figure that had been around for centuries. In the Edwardian Era, it was seen as a good-luck symbol, much like four-leaf clovers, horseshoes and rabbit’s feet. The child was wearing it that day for that reason, not to promote any political ideology.

Prospectors (just like their emotional first cousins, gamblers) are always taking risks, and thus

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Concerns at ORCCA

I believe members of our community should be aware of serious financial and governance concerns documented in Oregon Coast Community Action (ORCCA) Board meeting minutes from this spring and summer.
Most concerning is a \$600,000 Oregon Food Bank/Food Share grant received in 2023. ORCCA’s June 24 Board minutes state that the Board requested a detailed explanation of “\$600k of funds allocated to Food Share that were spent elsewhere.” The Board also requested 90-day cash-flow information and declined to approve the proposed budget at that meeting.
At the July 23 meeting, ORCCA Finance explained that grant money is handled through a pooled-cash system. However, a Board member specifically raised concern that the \$600,000 was no longer available in cash reserves to be spent for the purpose of the grant. Finance stated that auditors had not yet resolved how those grant funds should be accounted for. /
These concerns do not exist in isolation. The minutes also document:
-Organizational audits approximately four years behind.
-Discrepancies in ORCCA’s already-filed 2024 IRS Form 990.
-Financial documents missing from a Board packet, resulting in the Board voting not to approve the financials.
-An Oregon Employment

Department lien that was later removed.
-Board concerns about cash flow and the organization’s ability to continue meeting payroll.
-Multiple Board resignations and several vacant Board officer positions during the same period.
None of this, standing alone, proves theft or criminal misconduct. But the organization’s own public records raise legitimate questions about financial controls, restricted grant funds, cash management, audit compliance, and Board oversight.
Given the amount of public, charitable, and grant funding involved—and the importance of ORCCA’s services to our community—I believe these matters warrant transparent answers and appropriate independent review.
The public should be able to ask a straightforward question: What happened to the \$600,000 designated for Food Share, and can ORCCA document that those funds were used in accordance with the grant requirements?

*Robbie Roberts
Coos Bay*

Why I Vote Democratic

The first time I ever voted, I chose all Republican candidates. Growing up, I was deeply influenced by my conservative (and loving) grandfather. However, the Republican Party in those years was very different from the party it is

today.
The leaders of the Republican Party have evolved into individuals who put self-interests over what is best for our country, starting decades ago with legislation that continuously lowered taxes on the rich. Federal income tax rates for the top earners in 1965 were 70%. Today the top rate is 37%, and the top corporate rate is 21%, a decrease from over 50% in the 1960s.
Furthermore, the vast majority of Republican leaders have shown a complete lack of backbone, refusing to stand up to the most corrupt president our country has ever seen.
Conversely, Democratic candidates offer practical solutions that invest in working families. They protect Social Security and Medicare, defend voting rights, and expand access to affordable healthcare and education. Democrats also champion policies that create American jobs through infrastructure projects, clean energy investments, and domestic manufacturing growth.
Voting is not just about party labels. It is about choosing leaders who believe the government can work for ordinary people, and who are committed to protecting freedoms and opportunities for everyone. I encourage voters to support Democratic candidates who are working to build a fairer, more inclusive, and more hopeful future for our country.

*Ron Sadler
Coos Bay*

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POLICE BLOTTER

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- **Coos Bay**
 - **August 13**
 - 8:41 am, Pennsylvania and Southwest, warrant service.
 - 8:41 am, S 10th St, criminal trespass.
 - 8:48 am, Newmark Ave, criminal trespass.
 - 9:00 am, S St and Hall, non-injury accident.
 - 11:14 am, S Front St, criminal trespass.
 - 12:14 pm, N Bayshore Dr, criminal trespass.
 - 1:26 pm, S 7th St, shoplifting.
 - 3:41 pm, Sumo Sushi, arrest.
 - 3:47 pm, Vine Ave, dispute.
 - 4:00 pm, N Bayshore Dr, non-injury accident.
 - 5:25 pm, S Bayshore Dr, disorderly conduct.
 - 5:30 pm, Oregon Ave, dispute.
 - 6:02 pm, Marshall Ave, assault.
 - 7:05 pm, Kruse Ave and S Broadway, accident.
 - 7:11 pm, California Ave, dispute.
 - 7:49 pm, Thompson Rd, criminal trespass.
 - 9:06 pm, Newmark Ave, disorderly conduct.
 - 11:57 pm, Eastside Area, shots fired.
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 - **August 14**
 - 12:50 am, S Cammann St, juvenile problem.
 - 8:01 am, S 7th St, criminal trespass.
 - 9:21 am, N 15th Ct, dispute.
 - 10:15 am, S 8th St, juvenile problem.
 - 12:02 pm, Newmark Ave, criminal trespass.
 - 12:40 pm, E Johnson Ave, theft.
 - 12:49 pm, Newmark Ave, criminal trespass.
 - 1:53 pm, Driftwood Inn, threats.
 - 1:55 pm, Fulton and S Empire, disorderly conduct.
 - 2:40 pm, Teakwood Ave, criminal trespass.
 - 2:43 pm, N 14th and Cedar, shots fired.
- 2:43 pm, N 14th and Cedar, probation violation.
 - 2:48 pm, E Park Roadway E, shots fired.
 - 3:06 pm, Newmark Ave, shoplifting.
 - 3:18 pm, N 10th St, hit and run.
 - 4:37 pm, S 4th St, theft.
 - 6:21 pm, Flanagan and Neese, warrant service.
 - 6:31 pm, Commercial Ave, criminal trespass.
 - 7:04 pm, E Johnson Ave, theft.
 - 8:04 pm, E Johnson Ave, theft.
 - 10:08 pm, SE Douglas Ave, warrant service.
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 - **August 15**
 - 5:41 am, N Bayshore Dr, disorderly conduct.
 - 8:21 am, N Wasson St, threats.
 - 8:56 am, Michigan Ave, harassment.
 - 9:03 am, S Wasson St, criminal mischief.
 - 9:20 am, California Ave, criminal trespass.
 - 10:04 am, Schetter and Main, arrest.
 - 11:02 am, Thompson Rd, criminal trespass.
 - 11:18 am, S Broadway St, warrant service.
 - 12:04 pm, S 2nd Ct, probation violation.
 - 12:10 pm, S 1st St, criminal trespass.
 - 12:35 pm, Woodland Dr, accident.
 - 2:17 pm, Montana Ave, non-injury accident.
 - 2:30 pm, S Wall St, criminal mischief.
 - 2:47 pm, N Cammann St, shoplifting.
 - 3:58 pm, Newmark Ave, disorderly conduct.
 - 5:31 pm, N Wasson St, dispute.
 - 6:38 pm, Newmark, disorderly conduct.
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 - **August 16**
 - 9:56 am, Woodland Dr, theft.
 - 3:17 pm, S Wasson St, juvenile problem.
 - 4:21 pm, Ocean Blvd, hit and run.
 - 5:50 pm, N Marple St, criminal trespass.
 - 6:38 pm, S Empire Blvd, harassment.
 - 6:40 pm, Greenwood St, warrant service.
 - 8:21 pm, N Bayshore Dr, dispute.
 - 8:34 pm, SE Douglas Ave, warrant service.
- 10:17 pm, N Morrison St, criminal trespass.
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 - **August 17**
 - 12:40 am, S Empire Blvd, disorderly conduct.
 - 1:58 am, S 2nd St, criminal trespass.
 - 3:05 am, 2nd Ct, harassment.
 - 9:14 am, E Johnson St, threats.
 - 10:12 am, 6th and Donnelly, criminal trespass.
 - 10:42 am, S Broadway St, criminal trespass.
 - 12:13 pm, Newmark Ave, theft.
 - 12:15 pm, S 1st St Ter, criminal trespass.
 - 1:49 pm, Newmark Ave, disorderly conduct.
 - 2:57 pm, Ocean and Newmark, accident.
 - 3:39 pm, Thompson Rd, theft.
 - 3:40 pm, Newmark Ave, warrant service.
 - 4:20 pm, Applewood Dr, shots fired.
 - 4:39 pm, Newmark Ave, criminal mischief.
 - 5:49 pm, N Bayshore and Liquor, disorderly conduct.
 - 6:05 pm, S 4th St, assault.
 - 6:48 pm, N Bayshore Dr, criminal trespass.
 - 6:58 pm, Port Ave, warrant service.
 - 8:04 pm, 8th Ter, warrant service.
 - 9:48 pm, Woodland Dr, shots fired.
 - 10:29 pm, S 10th St, juvenile problem.
 - 11:41 pm, S 10th St and Anderson Ave, dispute, family.
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 - **August 18**
 - 1:50 am, S Empire Blvd, assault.
 - 9:59 am, S Broadway St, criminal trespass.
 - 11:50 am, S 4th and Anderson, non-injury accident.
 - 12:22 pm, Airport Ln, warrant service.
 - 12:46 pm, Cape Arago Hwy and Windjamme, indecent exposure.
 - 12:52 pm, Holland Ave, assault.
 - 2:13 pm, S Wasson St, juvenile problem.
 - 2:41 pm, Crocker Ave, criminal mischief.
 - 2:49 pm, Curtis and 2nd, criminal trespass.
- 3:48 pm, Central Ave, disorderly conduct.
 - 4:02 pm, S 4th St, harassment.
 - 4:32 pm, Southwest and California, dispute.
 - 5:08 pm, 8th Ave, threats.
 - 5:31 pm, Woodland Dr, dispute.
 - 6:28 pm, Thompson Rd, criminal trespass.
 - 7:19 pm, Newmark Ave, non-injury accident.
 - 9:35 pm, Central Ave, dispute.
 - 10:25 pm, S 21st St, dispute.
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 - **August 19**
 - 5:55 am, Cape Arago and Grinnell, accident.
 - 8:22 am, California Ave, burglary.
 - 9:37 am, Colvin St, warrant service.
 - 9:41 am, Anderson Ave, criminal trespass.
 - 9:57 am, N Bayshore Dr, indecent exposure.
 - 10:17 am, Ellensberg Rd, warrant service.
 - 10:45 am, 8th Ave, dispute.
 - 10:47 am, Newmark Ave, dispute.
 - 12:06 pm, Koos Bay Blvd, threats.
 - 12:51 pm, S 2nd and Curtis, non-injury accident.
 - 1:01 pm, Newmark Ave, criminal mischief.
 - 2:47 pm, Oregon State Police, warrant service.
 - 3:24 pm, 8th Ave, criminal trespass.
 - 4:12 pm, N Norman Ave and Newmark, non-injury accident.
 - 5:10 pm, Oregon Ave, violation of restraining order.
 - 6:07 pm, Ocean Blvd, dispute.
 - 6:10 pm, N Bayshore Dr, criminal trespass.
 - 7:04 pm, Plymouth Ave, threats.
 - 7:24 pm, Lakeshore and Chickses, criminal mischief.
 - 7:37 pm, Central Ave, warrant service.
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 - **August 20**
 - 12:41 am, Newmark Ave, criminal mischief.
 - 1:43 am, N 28th Ct, dispute.
- 2:05 am, Newmark Ave, theft.
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 - **Coquille**
 - **August 13**
 - 5:49 am, N Dean St, hit and run.
 - 7:55 am, Hwy 42, disorderly conduct.
 - 10:53 am, Hwy 42S, disorderly conduct.
 - 11:55 am, Central and Mckays, disorderly conduct.
 - 1:12 pm, E 1st St, disorderly conduct.
 - 3:19 pm, Grape St, juvenile problem.
 - 6:21 pm, N Elliott St, criminal trespass.
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 - **August 14**
 - 7:49 am, N Central Blvd, arrest.
 - 8:43 am, E 1st St, criminal trespass.
 - 9:53 am, N Baxter St, disorderly conduct.
 - 10:25 am, N Alder St, criminal trespass.
 - 11:30 am, W 3rd St, warrant service.
 - 2:34 pm, N Baxter St, criminal trespass.
 - 4:30 pm, N Baxter St, disorderly conduct.
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 - **August 15**
 - 11:49 am, S Cedar St, theft.
 -
 - **August 16**
 - 12:04 pm, Irving and 1st, hit and run.
 - 1:49 pm, Fairview Rd, threats.
 - 2:57 pm, E 1st St, threats.
 - 10:22 pm, E 1st St, harassment.
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 - **August 17**
 - 9:14 am, E Johnson St, threats.
 - 12:20 pm, Hwy 42, dispute.
 - 12:48 pm, N Central Blvd, disorderly conduct.
 - 1:27 pm, 2nd and N Collier, dispute.
 - 3:30 pm, W 17th St, violation of restraining order.
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 - **August 18**
 - 10:59 am, 3rd and Central, disorderly conduct.
 - 10:08 pm, N Baxter St,
- burglary.
 -
 - **August 19**
 - 8:06 am, N Central Blvd, criminal trespass.
 - 8:48 am, 1st and Birch, arrest.
 - 10:25 am, N Central Blvd, disorderly conduct.
 - 1:49 pm, N Central Blvd, arrest.
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 - **August 20**
 - 2:58 am, N Baxter St, juvenile problem.
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 - **Myrtle Point**
 - **August 13**
 - 7:05 pm, 8th St, disorderly conduct.
 - 8:16 pm, Weigh Station, dispute, family.
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 - **August 15**
 - 2:28 pm, Maple St and 5th St, indecent exposure.
 - 8:11 pm, 8th St, disorderly conduct.
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 - **August 17**
 - 4:48 pm, Bender St, theft.
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 - **August 19**
 - 2:16 pm, Maple St, juvenile problem.
 - 3:16 pm, Maryland Ave, juvenile problem.
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 - **North Bend**
 - **August 13**
 - 8:56 am, Harbor and Washington, harassment.
 - 12:54 pm, Lombard St, criminal mischief.
 - 1:28 pm, Stanton Ave, disturbance.
 - 4:33 pm, Sherman Ave, criminal trespass.
 - 5:29 pm, Sheridan Ave, disorderly conduct.
 - 6:39 pm, Monroe and Montana, dispute.
 - 6:41 pm, Liberty St, criminal trespass.
 - 7:44 pm, Virginia Ave, criminal trespass.
 - 9:08 pm, Newmark St, criminal trespass.
 - August 14
 - 3:13 am, State St, warrant service.
 - 10:53 am, 11th St, ha-
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The season for fall sports starts this week

Marshfield hosts its annual volleyball jamboree on Friday. The Pirates then head to Medford for Cascade Christian's tournament on Saturday.

North Bend and Coquille both will be part of Marshfield's jamboree on Friday and then face each other at North Bend on Saturday.

Siuslaw, another team that opens the season at Marshfield, will join Reedsport at Elmira on Saturday, with each team facing the other two.

Bandon will be at Glendale's tournament on Saturday and then joins Waldport at Pacific on Monday. Pacific also plays at Mapleton on Friday.

Powers will be in Marshfield's jamboree and is at home Monday against Reedsport.

Myrtle Point also is in Marshfield's jamboree, but won't play its regular-season opener until hosting Umpqua Valley Christian next Wednesday.

Brookings-Harbor also is in Marshfield's jamboree and opens the season at Gold Beach on Tuesday.

FOOTBALL

Among teams with football games this week, North Bend is at Sutherlin on Friday. Coquille and Siuslaw, which are in the same special district for football, play a nonleague game in Florence on Friday and will finish the regular season with their league contest in Coquille. Powers is home against Eddyville Charter on Friday and Brookings-Harbor hosts Gold Beach.

Powers and Myrtle Point both open the season Saturday. Myrtle Point travels to Weston-McEwen.

Marshfield will be in the Cottage Grove jamboree on Friday. Bandon will be in Monroe for a jamboree.

Reedsport opens its season at home against Glendale on Sept. 4.

SOCCER

North Bend hosts a boys soccer jamboree that also includes Marshfield, Siuslaw and Brookings-Harbor on Thursday. The Bulldogs then host Eagle Point on Saturday. North Bend's squad includes players from Bandon this year. The Bandon players have traditionally been part of Pacific's program, but this year those two schools have an enrollment too big for the new Class 2A-1A division, created when OSAA separated out Class 3A from the smallest two classifications starting this fall.

The Pirates are at Phoenix on Tuesday.

The combined Coquille/Myrtle Point squads are in a jamboree at Springfield on Friday and host Marshfield on Thursday, Sept. 3.

Pacific also is in the jamboree at Springfield but won't play a regular game until Sept. 17 against Umpqua Valley Christian. Marshfield hosts a girls soccer

jamboree on Thursday with North Bend and Brookings-Harbor and Siuslaw.

The Pirates also host Phoenix on Tuesday and visit the combined Coquille/Myrtle Point squad on Thursday, Sept. 3.

North Bend's first regular game is Sept. 3 at Brookings-Harbor.

CROSS COUNTRY

Marshfield hosts the Millicoma Icebreaker, a 3-kilometer race, on Thursday at Millicoma School in the Eastside district of Coos Bay.

The event also includes Bandon, Brookings-Harbor, Coquille, Gold Beach, Camas Valley and Days Creek.

Bandon also joins North Bend on Saturday at Umpqua Community College near Roseburg for a meet to help with the groundbreaking for the new Umpqua track facility.

Athlete nights planned at area schools

Marshfield, North Bend and Myrtle Point high schools all will introduce their fall athletes to the community with meet the athletes nights this week.

NORTH BEND

North Bend's Meet the Bulldogs night is Tuesday, Aug. 25.

It begins with the volleyball team introductions at 6 p.m. inside the gym.

The rest of the groups to be introduced include the band, cross country, girls soccer, boys soccer, cheer and football teams.

A treat will be provided for all fans who come out for the event.

MARSHFIELD

Marshfield's annual Meet the Pirates night is Wednesday, Aug. 26, and includes indoor and outdoor scrimmages.

The junior varsity volleyball teams will scrimmage from 5 to 5:20 p.m. in the main gym, followed by the varsity team from 5:20 to 5:40.

Meanwhile, inside the football stadium, the boys soccer team will scrimmage from 5 to 5:15, followed by the girls soccer team until 5:30. The cross country team will put on a demonstration from 5:30 to 5:40 on the track.

That will be followed by the cheer team performing at 5:40 and the dance team at 5:50.

The marching band will perform the national anthem and fight song at 6 p.m. and the football team will then scrimmage until 6:35.

That's when all the various groups will be introduced, also including the student body officers for the 2026-27 school year.

The Booster Club will be serving meals at Buck's Place in Pete Susick Stadium during the event.

MYRTLE POINT

Myrtle Point's Meet the Bobcats is Wednesday night at 6 p.m. at the high school.

All the fall sports teams will be introduced.

The Myrtle Point Booster Club also will provide all who come out a hot dog, chips and a bottle of water.

Reedsport Salmon Run is Sept. 12

The second annual Reedsport Salmon Run and Walk is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 12.

The event is a fundraiser for Lower Umpqua Hospital and starts at 9 a.m. at the Rainbow Plaza in Reedsport.

Events include a 5-kilometer run/walk and a 1-mile kids run.

The registration fee is \$15, free for children 12 and under. Option commemorative race shirts also are available for purchase for those who sign up by Sept. 1.

People can learn more about the event or sign up at Reedsport5k.com.

Three other runs also are coming up on the South Coast.

SUNSET BAY TRAIL

RUN: The annual South Coast Running Club event begins and ends at Sunset Bay State Park on Saturday, Aug. 29.

Events include a half-marathon that starts at 8:45 a.m., a half-mile kids fun run on the beach that begins at 9:15 a.m. and 15-kilometer and 4-mile races that begin at 9:30 a.m.

The 4-mile, 15K and half marathon races include trails linking Sunset Bay and Shore Acres state parks, with the longer two races also including a trip through Cape Arago State Park.

The entry fee for people who sign up early is \$15 for members of the South Coast Running Club and \$25 for non-members. The fee increases by \$5 on race day. The fee for all students is \$5.

To learn more about the races or to sign up for the runs or to join the running club, visit www.southcoastrunningclub.com.

POWERS LOGGER'S

RUN: The 5-kilometer race is Saturday, Sept. 12 and benefits

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

The race starts at 9 a.m., with raceday registration starting at 7:30 a.m. People need to sign up by Aug. 28 to get a free race T-shirt.

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PREFONTAINE

MEMORIAL RUN:

The annual run honoring Steve Prefontaine is Sept. 19 in Coos Bay. Events include a high school 5-kilometer run that starts at 9:45 a.m. and a 10-kilometer run and 2-mile fun run/walk that begin at 10:05 a.m. All races start at the corner of Fourth Street and Anderson Avenue in downtown Coos Bay and end

on the track at Marshfield High School.

This is the 45th edition of the race. Participants can register until midnight on Sept. 15 at www.prefontainerun.net or sign up in person from 3 to 6 p.m. on Sept. 18 and 8 to 9:30 a.m. on Sept. 19 at the St. Monica Catholic Church hall, 357 South 6th St. in Coos Bay.

The entry fee for the 10K and 2-mile races is \$45 through Sept. 5 and increases to \$55 thereafter. For runners 18 and younger, the fee is \$25 through Sept. 5 and \$35 thereafter. Racers receive a race T-shirt and finishers receive a commemorative medal.

The top three male and female finishers in the 10-kilometer race win prize money (\$500 for first place, \$300 for second and \$200 for third).

Cascade Christian, Banks add to Class 4A football chase

North Bend hosts 2025 Class 3A champion Challengers on Sept. 11

JERRY ULMER
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In recent seasons, 4A football has been the domain of perennial contenders such as Cascade, Henley, Marist Catholic and Scappoose.

This season, though, two teams moving up from 3A are primed to break into that elite circle.

Cascade Christian, coming off its third 3A championship in four seasons, and Banks, which has won 42 consecutive regular season games, move up to 4A to bolster an already strong field.

"It's absolutely loaded this year ... 4A is going to be super competitive," Banks coach Cole Linehan said. "I look forward to every week having to figure out a way to get it done."

Cascade Christian — with an enrollment of 178, well below the 281-580 range for 4A — requested the move for travel and scheduling purposes. For a program accustomed to competing for state titles, going up a level represents a new challenge.

"Across the state, there are a lot of unknowns with all the teams up north," Challengers coach Jon Gettman said. "We really haven't played any teams up there."

After a four-year interlude in 3A, Banks has returned to 4A, where it won the state title in 2018 and was runner-up in 2019. The Braves went 43-4 in 3A, falling in the semifinals three times and finishing runner-up to Cascade Christian in 2023.

They will be comfortable in a Special District 1 that includes former Cowapa League rivals Astoria, Scappoose, Seaside and Tilla-

mook, alongside Taft and Woodburn. Their enrollment of 281 is the lowest in 4A outside of Cascade Christian.

"We were probably one cycle away from truly going up there, but it's something we're all looking forward to," Linehan said. "We're looking forward to bringing back the old traditions, the old rivalries we played in years past. We've always enjoyed being in the Cowapa League. It's going to be a lot of fun."

Gettman said that Cascade Christian's nonleague schedule — Scappoose, North Bend, Marist Catholic — will give him a good idea of where the team stands in 4A. The Challengers already have a history against several teams in their league (Special District 4), playing Phoenix and North Valley the last four seasons and Henley and Hidden Valley the last two years.

"It's good in the preparation and knowing what's coming," Gettman said. "There's confidence in saying, 'Hey, we've seen these teams.' Travel is a little bit different, too. We're going over to Klamath Falls a number of times in league, and that's really it. So that's nice to have, as well."

Last season, Cascade Christian beat those four Special District 4 teams by a combined 221-22. That included a 43-16 win over 4A semifinalist Henley, avenging a 37-36 loss to the Hornets in 2024.

The Challengers graduated only four players from a team that went 13-0 and outscored its foes 682-75. They have the top-line players to contend with 4A's elite teams, but must stay healthy to have a chance against deeper programs.

"Football is a numbers game," Gettman said. "Couple kids get hurt, now you're challenging your depth overall."

The biggest change for Cascade Christian is at quarterback. The Challengers graduated dual-threat Deryk Farmer and are replacing him with sophomore Jacoby Gettman, the coach's son.

"He's more of a passing quarterback," Jon Gettman said. "So that will totally change our offense. Deryk was able to run the ball, and we won't be doing that with Jacoby. He doesn't need to be the playmaker that Deryk was. We'll rely on the other guys for that."

With tougher competition, Cascade Christian and Banks will have to utilize their top players deeper into games. So many of their games in recent seasons resulted in a running clock.

"I'm just looking forward to having to compete every single week," Linehan said. "That's the thing that over the last four years we've really missed. There were times, multiple years in a row, where our starters never saw the fourth quarter for like six weeks straight. It's just hard to prepare for a long run in the playoffs when your guys are not getting to play four quarters."

Banks lost several key weapons on offense but can build around a returning starter at quarterback in senior Nate Lyda and a cast of promising skill position players. The Braves also have a dominant lineman in 6-foot-4, 300-pound Cade Wilson, their top college prospect since Gabe Linehan (Boise State) in 2008.

"He's an absolute monster," Cole Linehan said of Wilson, who has offers from Idaho, Eastern Washington, Portland State and San Jose State. "He's one of the best, if not the best, lineman that I've coached."

Linehan is confident that his team has the talent to be a player in 4A.

"We lost some really dynamic threats these last couple years, but I really like this group," he said. "It'll be interesting to see how we compare. Right now we're razor thin, but we have a really good 11."

Editor's Note: Jerry Ulmer writes about high school sports in Oregon for the Oregon School Activities Association on its OSAAtoday platform. To read more stories about high school sports in Oregon visit www.osaa.org.

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SWOCC teams lose matches at NWAC Friendlies

The Southwestern Oregon Community College men's soccer team lost both its games in the NWAC Friendlies event in Washington.

The Lakers fell to Walla Walla 4-1 and Bellevue 4-2.

Nico Saine scored the goal in the loss to Walla Walla and Oliver King and Ryder Moore had goals against Bellevue, both assisted by Omar Aguirre.

The Lakers open NWAC South Region play at Portland on Sept. 4.

SWOCC's women also lost both matches in the friendlies event, falling to Pierce 6-0 and Green River 5-0.

SWOCC opens the South Region season at home Sept. 2 against Portland.

VOLLEYBALL: The SWOCC volleyball team received votes in the first coaches poll for the upcoming season.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS ROGUE CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff, vs. LYNDA RAE TIPTON and JOE BUCK HASSETT, heirs at law of Merle E. Hassett and Judith Hassett now deceased; MARYELLEN ADAMS, GABRIELLE ADAMS, LEON ADAMS, SAVANNAH TRISH ADAMS, AMANDALYNN HOUGH, TILLIE HOUGH, GEORGE HOUGH VI and ANY OTHER UNKNOWN HEIRS OF MERLE OR JUDITH HASSETT NOW DECEASED, Defendants. Case No. 26CV23325 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION TO: MaryEllen Adams, Gabrielle Adams, Leon Adams, Savannah Trish Adams, Amandalynn Hough, Tillie Hough, George Hough VI, Any Other Unknown Heirs Of Merle Or Judith Hassett Now Deceased IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON: You are hereby required to appear and defend the complaint filed against you in the above-entitled action within thirty (30) days from the date of service of this summons upon you, and in case of your failure to do so, for want thereof, plaintiff(s) will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint. NOTICE TO THE DEFENDANT: READ THESE PAPERS CAREFULLY! You must "appear" in this case or the other side will win automatically. To "appear" you must file with the court a legal paper called a "motion" or "answer." The "motion" or "answer" must be given to the court clerk or administrator within 30 days along with the required filing fee. It must be in proper form and have proof of service on the plaintiff's attorney or, if the plaintiff does not have an attorney, proof of service upon the plaintiff. If you have any questions, you should see an at-

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torney immediately. If you need help in finding an attorney, you may contact the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service online at www.oregonstatebar.org or by calling (503) 684-3763 (in the Portland metropolitan area) or toll-free elsewhere in Oregon at (800) 452-7636. VETERANS AND OTHERS: Veterans (and others) can call 2-1-1 for information and resources including veteran's services and community action agencies. SUMMARY STATEMENT OF COMPLAINT AND DEMAND FOR RELIEF The action against you seeks strict foreclosure to real property located in Coos County, Oregon legally described as: A tract of land in Lot 2 of Section 4, Township 28 South, Range 14 West of the Willamette Meridian, Coos County, Oregon, more particularly described as follows: the South 109 feet of the North 754 feet of that portion of said Lot 2, which lies East of the County Road. Plaintiff seeks entry of an order and decree allowing defendants a period of time specified by the court to possibly redeem the property by paying certain sums, plus other amounts paid by plaintiff for real property taxes, insurance costs, and such sums that plaintiff expended as property preservation costs to prevent waste in an amount to be determined. And, in the event none of the defendants redeem the subject property, for the court to enter an order and decree foreclosing all defendants' right, title and interest in and to the property and declare that plaintiff owns the subject property free and clear of defendants' claims thereto. DATED: August 12, 2026. HORNECKER COWLING LLP By /s/ JOSEPH E. KELLERMAN, OSB No. 921997, Of Attorneys for Plaintiff Dates of publication: August 18, 2026; August 25, 2026; September 1, 2026; September 8, 2026. 8/18, 8/25, 9/1, 9/8/2026 World 429882

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION Notice is hereby given that the Oregon International Port of Coos Bay will conduct a public auction at 4:00 p.m. on September 10, 2026. Sealed bids for the auction items will be received until 4:00 p.m. at the Charleston Marina office, at which time the sealed bids will be opened and publicly awarded to the highest bidder to satisfy moorage and/or storage charges for which the Port has possessory chattel lien under the provisions of ORS 87.152 through 87.212. All reasonable bids will be considered. The description of the items, the name of the owners or reputed owners of such items, and amounts due on the liens are as follows: Tobey Denn Contents of Storage Unit #56 \$1,403.48 Sealed bids will be stamped in date order and must have the bid numbers clearly marked on the envelope. All items can be viewed by appointment only on September 9, 2026, 9:00am-11:00am and 2:00pm-4:00pm. Please call the Charleston Marina at 541-888-2548 to schedule an appointment. The purchasers will be required to remove the purchased items from Port property within five (5) working days. Oregon International Port of Coos Bay Charleston Marina PO Box 5409 Charleston, OR 97420 Telephone: (541) 888-2548 8/25 & 9/1/2026 World 429984

PURSUANT TO ORS CHAPTER 819 Notice is hereby given that the following vehicle will be sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 8/31/2026. The sale will be held at 10:00am by GOLD BEACH HITECH AUTO & TOW 29719 ELLENSBURG, GOLD BEACH, OR 2022 HOND ACC SD VIN= 1HGCV3F22NA025283 Amount due on lien \$6850.00 Reputed owner(s) > BRENDA DIANE MOORE RICKIES AUTO LLC DL0358 8/18 & 8/25/2026 World 429810

PURSUANT TO ORS CHAPTER 87 Notice is hereby given that the following vehicle will be sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 9/4/2026. The sale will be held at 10:00am by RE-TELL HISTORIC LLC 703 PARK AVE LAKE-SIDE, OR 1985 VOLK VAN VA VIN= WV2YB0251FH082502 Amount due on lien \$9585.00 Reputed owner(s) > ROBERT T & VIRGINIA M WALTHER 8/18 & 8/25/2026 World 429812

TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE File No. 25-00951OR Reference is made to that certain deed of trust made by Misty Rider and Joshua Atchison, as grantor, to Ticor

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Title Company of Oregon, as trustee, in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as designated nominee for Summit Funding, Inc., beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns, as beneficiary, dated February 3, 2021, recorded February 5, 2021, in the records of Coos County, Oregon, under instrument No. 2021-01442, and subsequently assigned or transferred by operation of law to Freedom Mortgage Corporation, covering the following described real property situated in the above-mentioned county and state: A parcel of land located in the S 1/2 of the N 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 18, Township 29 South, Range 12 West of the Willamette Meridian, Coos County, Oregon and being described as follows: Beginning at the Northeast corner of the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 18, Township 29 South, Range 12 West of the Willamette Meridian; thence Westerly along the East lemdash West centerline of the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of said Section 440 feet; thence North 205 feet; thence East 200 feet; thence South 15 feet; thence East to the East line of said Section; thence Southerly along said East line to the point of beginning. ALSO: A parcel of land located in the S 1/2 of the N 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 18, Township 29 South, Range 12 West of the Willamette Meridian, Coos County, Oregon and being a portion of that property described in deed # 70-5-48296, Coos County Record of Deeds: Beginning at a point on the East line of said Section 18, said point being 190 feet Northerly from the Northeast corner of the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of said Section 18; thence West 140 feet; thence North 20 feet; thence East 140 feet; thence Southerly along the East line of said Section, 20 feet to the point of beginning. ALSO: A parcel of land lying in the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 18, Township 29 South, Range 12 West of the Willamette Meridian, Coos County, Oregon and being a portion of that parcel described in Volume 268, Page 624, Coos County Record of Deeds, said portion being described as follows: The North 140 feet of the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 18, Township 29 South, Range 12 West of the Willamette Meridian, Coos County, Oregon. ALSO: That property acquired by Property Line Adjustment Deed recorded December 22, 2004 in Microfilm No. 2004-18286 and as Corrected by Correction Deed recorded April 21, 2005 in Microfilm No. 2005-5687, Records of Coos County, Oregon described as follows: Beginning at a 5/8" rebar from which the Southeast corner of the S 1/2 of the N 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 18, Township 29 South, Range 12 West of the Willamette Meridian, Coos County, Oregon, bears South 0° 12' 17" West a distance of 210.00 feet; thence North 0° 12' 17" East a distance of 45.24 feet to a point; thence South 86° 07' 29" West a distance of 2.59 feet to a 3/4" iron pipe; thence continuing South 86° 07' 29" West following an existing fence a distance of 166.69 feet to a 5/8" rebar in a fence corner; thence South 0° 00' 13" West following the existing fence a distance of 53.80 feet to a 5/8" rebar; thence continuing South 0° 00' 13" West and leaving said fence a distance of 2.62 feet to a point; thence North 84° 47' 08" East a distance of 28.77 feet to a point; thence North 0° 00' 00" West a distance of 20.00 feet to a point; thence East a distance of 140.07 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning. APN: 1154101 Commonly known as: 94283 Pond Lane, Myrtle Point, OR 97458 The undersigned hereby certifies that based upon business records there are no known written assignments of the trust deed by the trustee or by the beneficiary and no appointments of a successor trustee have been made, except as recorded in the records of the county or counties in which the above-described real property is situated. Further, no action has been instituted to recover the debt, or any part thereof, now remaining secured by the trust deed, or, if such action has been instituted, such action has been dismissed except as permitted by ORS 86.752(7). Both the beneficiary and the trustee have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said

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trust deed and notice has been recorded pursuant to Section 86.752(3) of Oregon Revised Statutes. There is a default by grantor or other person owing an obligation, performance of which is secured by the trust deed, or by the successor in interest, with respect to provisions therein which authorize sale in the event of such provision. The default for which foreclosure is made is grantor's failure to pay when due the following sum: TOTAL REQUIRED TO REINSTATE: \$32,700.90 TOTAL REQUIRED TO PAYOFF: \$350,630.22 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day-to-day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. It will be necessary for you to contact the Trustee before the time you tender reinstatement or the payoff amount so that you may be advised of the exact amount you will be required to pay. By reason of the default, the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by the trust deed immediately due and payable, those sums being the following, to-wit: 1. The installments of principal and interest which became due on May 1, 2025, and all subsequent installments of principal and interest through the date of this Notice, plus amounts that are due for late charges, delinquent property taxes, insurance premiums, advances made on senior liens, taxes and/or insurance, trustee's fees, and any attorney fees and court costs arising from or associated with the beneficiaries efforts to protect and preserve its security, all of which must be paid as a condition of reinstatement, including all sums that shall accrue through reinstatement or pay-off. Nothing in this notice shall be construed as a waiver of any fees owing to the Beneficiary under the Deed of Trust pursuant to the terms of the loan documents. Whereof, notice hereby is given that Affinia Default Services, LLC, the undersigned trustee will on November 17, 2026 at the hour of 10:00 AM (PST), as established by section 187.110, Oregon Revised Statutes, Inside the main lobby of the Coos County Courthouse, 250 N Baxter St, Coquille, OR 97423, County of Coos, State of Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the said described real property which the grantor had or 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 and 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. For Sale Information, contact Xome at (800) 758-8052 or www.xome.com. In construing this notice, the singular includes the plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to this grantor as well as any other person owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by the trust deed, and the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Pursuant to Oregon Law, this sale will not be deemed final until the Trustee's deed has been issued by Affinia Default Services, LLC. If any irregularities are discovered within 10 days of the date of this sale, the trustee will rescind the sale, return the buyer's money and take further action as necessary. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you

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have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. 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. NOTICE TO TENANTS: TENANTS OF THE SUBJECT	REAL PROPERTY HAVE CERTAIN PROTECTIONS AFFORDED TO THEM UNDER ORS 86.782 AND POSSIBLY UNDER FEDERAL LAW. ATTACHED TO THIS NOTICE OF SALE, AND INCORPORATED HEREIN, IS A NOTICE TO TENANTS THAT SETS FORTH SOME OF THE PROTECTIONS THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO A TENANT OF THE SUBJECT REAL PROPERTY AND WHICH SETS FORTH CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS THAT MUST BE COMPLIED WITH BY ANY TENANT IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THE AFFORDED PROTECTION, AS REQUIRED UNDER ORS 86.771. Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Affinia Default Services, LLC may be deemed to be a debt collector and any information obtained may be used for that purpose. File No.: 25-00951OR Dated: 06/26/2026 Affinia Default Services, LLC By: /s/ Phally Eng Name: Phally Eng Title:	Foreclosure Processor Trustee's Mailing Address: Affinia Default Services, LLC 16000 Christensen Rd., Suite 310 Tukwila, WA 98188 Phone Number: (503) 836-3799 Trustee's Physical Address: Affinia Default Services, LLC 10151 SE Sunnyside Road, Suite 490 Clackamas, OR 97015 Email: inquiries@affiniadefault.com NPP0490894 8/4, 8/11, 8/18, & 8/25/2026 World 429300 U-Haul Announces Public Sale Storage units of mostly household goods, to satisfy delinquent accounts on the following: 07 Lacey Greig 01 Jamie Potter 13 Amanda Cotton 17 Sage Collman The auction is set to conclude at 10am on 9/11/26 at 763 S Broadway Coos Bay, OR 97420 with the auction being conducted on www.storageauctions.com. Each unit will be auctioned as a whole (not pieced out) to the highest bidder. Any and all units are subject to cancellation from this sale pending pay-	ments. 8/28, 9/1/2026 World 430032 COOS COUNTY FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION 18-01-026L LET IT BE KNOWN to all persons of Coos County that discrimination in the sale, rental, lease, advertising of sale, rental or lease, financing of housing or land to be used for construction of housing, or the provision of brokerage or rental services because of race, color, religion, sex, disability (physical or mental), familial status (children) or national origin is prohibited by Title VIII of the federal Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988. It is the policy of Coos County to support the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 and to implement a Fair Housing Program to ensure equal opportunity in housing for all persons regardless of race, color, religion, sex, disability (physical or mental), familial status (1. Children, and 2. Actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity of	marital status or its members), or national origin. Therefore Coos County does hereby adopt the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED that within the resources available to Coos County through city, county, state, federal and community volunteer sources, the County will assist all persons who feel they have been discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex, disability (physical or mental), familial status (children) or national origin in the process of filing a complaint with the Oregon Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Seattle Regional Office Compliance Division, that they may seek equity under federal and state laws. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Coos County shall publicize this Resolution and through this publicity shall cause real estate brokers and sellers, private home sellers, rental owners, rental property managers, real estate and rental advertisers, lenders,	buildings, developers, home buyers and home or apartment renters to become aware of their respective responsibilities and rights under the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 and any applicable state or local laws or ordinances. THE FAIR HOUSING PROGRAM, for the purpose of informing those affected of their respective responsibilities and rights concerning Fair Housing law and compliant procedures, will at a minimum include, but not limited to: 1) the printing, publicizing and distribution of this Resolution; 2) the distribution of posters, flyers pamphlets, and other applicable Fair Housing information provided by local, state and federal sources, through local media of community contacts; and 3) the publicizing of locations where assistance will be provided to those seeking to file a discrimination complaint. Signed by the Board of Commissioners on January 23, 2018. 8/25/2026 World 430086

Southwestern offers free GED, Adult Basic Education classes fall term

Southwestern Oregon Community College is offering free General Education Development (GED) and Adult Basic Education classes fall term 2026. These classes prepare individuals to take the GED exam and update skills to enroll in college or career training programs.

Students enrolled in these classes can build a pipeline to enter college, training programs, and jobs in high-demand career areas. We have three options for GED and Adult Basic Education classes next term:

1. Morning GED Class – Monday through Thursday from 9am-11am

2. Afternoon GED Class – Monday through Thursday from 12pm-2pm

3. Evening GED Class – Tuesday through Thursday from 5pm-7pm

All classes are live and in-person on the Coos Campus. The afternoon class is offered live and in-person on the Curry Campus in Brookings, OR. For students who cannot make it to either campus, classes are offered via Zoom during all three sessions. Fall term starts September 14, 2026 and ends November 25, 2026. To register for orientation and classes, go to <https://swoccapce.org/> and click GET STARTED. For questions, please email Adult & Pre-College Education at apce@socc.edu or call 541-888-1593.



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‘Curious Inciden’t opens next month at The Liberty Theatre

Fifteen-year-old Christopher Boone is in his neighbor’s backyard in the middle of the night. She’s screaming at him because he’s standing over the body of Wellington, her beloved dog, who’s been speared with a garden fork. But Christopher is no dog-murderer, and when he decides to investigate who actually killed the dog, he discovers family secrets that turn his world upside-down.

That’s the premise of Little Theatre on the Bay’s most recent production - but this play is much more than a typical who-done-it. Based on the novel of the same name, The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time has a neurodivergent character as its protagonist. Christopher is likely autistic and audiences get to see this mystery through his eyes. “I think some people will be surprised that this is not a story about disability,” says director Ansel Tauber, “but a story about difference and overcoming obstacles. I think people will be surprised at how much they identify with Christopher and his family.” When asked what attracted him to this play – which has won numerous awards and was the longest-running Broadway play in the last decade - Tauber smiles. “The story is extremely important to me as a neurodivergent person and as someone who works with neuro-diverse people. I saw the original West End production, and it stuck with me. Now that The Liberty Theatre is fully restored, they have the technology to make this show happen.” The Liberty Theatre, home of Little Theatre on the Bay (LTOB), is a historic North Bend landmark where a 10-year, \$4 million restoration was recently completed. As well as saving the 101-year-old building, LTOB updated and upgraded everything from the sound system to the lights. The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time – which marks the beginning of LTOB’s 79th season - will also showcase the theatre’s new projection system. “There are many intricate, different technical and acting elements have to come together to make the show work,” Tauber says. The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time (a PG-13 rated show) runs September 18, 19, 25, & 26 at 7pm and September 27 at 2pm. In addition, there will be a free, autistic-friendly performance on Sunday September 20 at 2pm. Sponsored by Pathways to Positive Parenting, this special showing is designed to help people with autism experience live theatre in a less sensory-overwhelming environment. “I hope that audiences will walk away from the theatre with the same takeaway that I did so many years ago,” Tauber says. “That with the proper support systems, we can do anything.” Little Theatre on the Bay (LTOB) formed in 1947 and is the second-oldest, continuously operating performing arts group in Oregon. As a volunteer organization and 501(c)3 nonprofit, LTOB owns and operates the historic Liberty Theatre in North Bend.



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always begging fortune to smile on them. And so it was when the Swastika Mine officially opened for business. Hence its name.

Trains from the

Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway began stopping at the mining camp. By 1908, the town of Swastika was officially on the map. Nobody gave its name a second thought. Until 31 years later, when Canada went to war with Nazi Germany. In the intervening years, Hitler had set the swastika in a white circle on a field of fiery red. It now symbolized a dire threat to Western civilization. In short, the town of Swastika’s very name was suddenly linked to

the Bad Guys. So, the provincial government changed the town sign to “Winston” (presumably in honor of Churchill) for the duration. After V-E Day, locals tore it down and replaced it with another sign saying, “To hell with Hitler, we had

the swastika first.” And so, they stubbornly cling to it to this very day, a handful of friendly people in a hamlet whose name carries ugly connotations from long ago.

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 Inside-Sources.com.

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rassment.

- 11:19 am, Commercial St, criminal trespass.
- 4:43 pm, Myrtle St, dispute.
- 6:43 pm, Monroe Ave, arrest.
- 8:04 pm, Sherman Ave, dispute.
- 8:59 pm, Newmark St, indecent exposure.
- August 15
- 3:00 am, Virginia and Johnson, violation of restraining order.
- 5:35 am, Sherman Ave, dispute.
- 4:54 pm, Virginia, disorderly conduct.
- 11:03 pm, Broadway,

dispute.

- August 16**
- 12:40 am, Virginia Ave, criminal trespass.
- 6:19 am, Virginia Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 7:49 am, Tower St, harassment.
- 8:01 am, Virginia Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 8:17 am, Harbor Ave, threats.
- 12:11 pm, 12th and Marion, accident.
- 12:48 pm, Commercial St, disorderly conduct.
- 2:10 pm, California Ave, warrant service.
- 3:09 pm, Virginia Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 11:54 pm, Tremont Ave, threats.

- August 17**
- 9:11 am, Broadway and 14th, accident.
- 11:50 am, North Bend Area, theft.
- 1:33 pm, Virginia Ave, harassment.
- 2:28 pm, Connecticut Ave, hit and run.
- 6:48 pm, Newmark St, criminal mischief.
- 7:47 pm, Oak St, disorderly conduct.
- 7:55 pm, Myrtle St and Ohio Ave, shots fired.
- 9:48 pm, Woodland Dr, shots fired.
- August 18**
- 8:52 am, Virginia Ave, criminal trespass.
- 11:23 am, North Bend Area, violation of

restraining order.

- 11:58 am, Virginia and Meade, accident.
- 12:05 pm, Harbor Ave, harassment.
- 12:29 pm, Newmark St, accident.
- 12:30 pm, Mcpherson Ave, juvenile problem.
- 12:46 pm, Sherman Ave, dispute.
- 4:00 pm, Union Ave, harassment.
- 5:34 pm, Virginia Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 5:38 pm, Sherman Ave, theft.
- 5:40 pm, Broadway and 16th St, disorderly conduct.
- 9:25 pm, Ferry Rd, shots fired.
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- August 19**
- 2:24 am, Union Ave and Virginia Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 6:59 am, Sherman Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 7:46 am, Sherman Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 8:22 am, Sherman and California, disorderly conduct.
- 2:33 pm, Laura Ln, criminal mischief.
- 3:04 pm, Tremont Ave, harassment.
- 5:03 pm, Newmark and Cedar, DUII.
- 5:53 pm, Virginia Ave, criminal trespass.
- 6:31 pm, Laura Ln, accident.
- 8:49 pm, Broadway Ave, disorderly con-

duct.

- 8:53 pm, Broadway Ave, disorderly conduct.
- Reedsport**
- August 16**
- 9:39 am, Laurel Ave, theft.
- August 17**
- 9:31 am, Hwy Ave, civil dispute.
- 2:47 pm, Liquor Locker, theft.
- 6:33 pm, Reedsport Police Department, restraining order violation.
- 10:02 pm, Fir Ave, disturbance.

Oregon to start testing ropeless crabbing gear

MIA MALDONADO
Oregon Capital Chronicle

Oregon fishermen will begin testing ropeless crabbing technology next spring in an effort to save whales from often-fatal entanglements.

The state since 2021 has taken steps to reduce whale entanglements, including requiring additional late season crabbing tags and limiting how many crabbing pots fishermen can use and how deep they can place them, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Marine Resources Program Manager Justin Ainsworth told the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission in a meeting Friday.

But with whale entanglements increasing, commissioners are turning to two new tools to reduce whale deaths. Rules the commission adopted Friday will require fishermen to share their vessel location with state fishery managers and allow them to test ropeless crabbing gear already allowed in California.

Traditional commercial crabbing gear requires hundreds of traps to sit on the ocean floor, each attached to a vertical line connected to a buoy on the surface. Whales can easily get entangled and injured, often fatally, in those lines, as was the case with a humpback whale freed about 20 miles off the Oregon Coast in late July that wasn't expected to survive because the entanglement left it unable to feed.

The pop-up gear the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife can begin authorizing as soon as spring 2027, however, stores the rope and buoy with the trap on the seafloor. Fishermen can set a timer or trigger a release mechanism that allows the line to uncoil and buoy to surface to retrieve the catch, ensuring whales and other creatures have a clear

path most of the time.

Pop-up gear is currently unlawful because all pot and trap gear must be marked at the surface with a buoy. The proposed rule would allow the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to issue some experimental fishing gear permits as soon as spring 2027, and the commission could consider wider authorization if the tests prove effective.

Humpback whale entanglements on the rise

Fishing gear entanglement remains the largest threat to serious injury and mortality of whales off the West Coast.

At least 400 whales have been caught in fishing gear off the coast of Washington, California and Oregon between 2015 and 2025, according to the National Marine Fisheries Service.

Humpback whales are the most commonly entangled whale species because their feeding season coincides with crabbing season, and warming ocean waters push their feeding grounds closer to shore where commercial crab traps are posted.

Oregon has two humpback whale populations that feed off its coast. One breeds off the coast of Mexico and is listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act. The other, which breeds off the Pacific coast of Central America, is listed as endangered.

At least four humpback whales were entangled in 2025 in Oregon commercial Dungeness crab fishing gear — the highest number of humpback whales confirmed entangled in Oregon crab gear in any single year to date.

California's already familiar with pop-up gear

California began issuing experimental permits for pop-up gear in 2023. Earlier this year, the state authorized it for more widespread use during

times and areas when the fishery is closed to conventional gear due to entanglement risk.

Brand Little, a commercial fisherman based in San Francisco, said he was "dead set" against pop-up gear until he tried it.

"It was the first year they closed salmon in California," Little said, referring to 2023 when California canceled the salmon season after seeing historically low population numbers. "We didn't have anything else to do... so we went out to prove (pop-up gear) wouldn't work, and it did work. So we're like, 'Well, what the hell?' And it's just kind of been a snowball since then."

Now, Little has enough pop-up gear to use his 450 pots, and buying the equipment wasn't as expensive as he originally thought.

The units themselves are expensive, Little said. They cost about \$1,000 per pop-up unit. Little wasn't willing to spend \$450,000 for all his pots, but he was willing to spend money to put two \$1,000 pop-up units on both sides of a string of 25 crab traps — a technique known as longlining.

"I think the average price spent to do it was \$30,000," Little said. "Every single person that invested their \$30,000 had a return on investment in the first couple of weeks of using the gear."

Oregon is positioned differently than California, where shortened seasons have left fishermen with a narrow three-month window when whales pass by. Only fishermen using pop-up gear can fish for Dungeness crab between all of California's crabbing season, which typically lasts from mid-November to the end of June. Oregon hasn't reached that point as its crabbing season remains largely unchanged.

Stephen Melz, an early pop-up gear adopter also



Traditional crabbing gear sits at a dock in Newport, the Dungeness Crab Capital of the World. Next spring, fishermen across Oregon can begin experimenting with pop-up gear, a ropeless alternative to crabbing that prevents whale entanglements. (Courtesy from Jaime Karnik / Oceana)

based in San Francisco, said the gear gives California fishermen the alternative to keep fishing even when whales move close to the coast.

"If given the option to fish or not fish, I think they're going to want to fish," Melz said. "That's what it comes down to, right?"

Oregon fishermen push back against vessel monitoring but stay open to pop-up gear

While the pop-up gear is optional, the commission would require fishermen in February to adopt a monitoring system that shares their vessel location via cellular networks with state fishery managers so they can enforce closed areas and understand fleet locations.

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife has secured federal funding to help reimburse permit holders up to \$800 for equipment. Still, several Oregon fishermen argued the program would place new burdens on small businesses.

"Our boats are routinely hit by waves and sometimes completely underwater," said Ray Monroe, a Pacific City fisherman. "Electronics on these dories are constantly destroyed, and space is

extremely limited. Installing another device that is expensive, fragile and exposed to the harshest conditions on the coast is not reasonable."

The technology is designed to resist harsh weather, Ainsworth rebutted, pointing to similar vessel monitoring systems in Washington and California.

Cary Johnson, a fisherman in Astoria, asked the commission to exempt small vessels from the requirement.

"None of us want to see whales entangled in our gear," Johnson said. "It's a bad look for our industry. We're trying to do whatever we can to avoid that."

Conservation groups applaud ropeless gear, push for more whale protections

Conservation advocates supported the new rules but said Oregon still needs to do more to protect whales.

They're opposed to the department's draft conservation plan, which outlines measures the state will take to protect whales. It proposes allowing the entanglement of up to 67 humpback whales over a 15-year period, or roughly four humpback whales a year.

Conservationists argued the plan would normalize

the worst year for humpback whales rather than advance conservation measures and gear modifications to reduce whale entanglements.

And those are just the confirmed entanglements, said Ben Enticknap, a senior scientist and the Pacific campaign director at Oceana, an ocean advocacy nonprofit.

"The National Marine Fisheries Service scientists are estimating only about one in five entanglements are detected," he said. "The department is not recognizing that piece right now that there's these unobserved entanglements, and that needs to be made clear and incorporated into the conservation plan."

<https://oregoncapitalchronicle.com/2026/08/17/oregon-to-start-testing-ropeless-crabbing-gear-next-spring-to-stop-whale-entanglements/>

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Free drop-off site expands recycling access for the Southern Coast Oregon community

For the World

Circular Action Alliance (CAA), in partnership with West Coast Recycling, announces the opening of a new RecycleOn Center. This new Center is part of Oregon's modernized recycling system, providing Oregonians with a convenient way to recycle materials not accepted in curbside recycling bins or other recycling depots.

Funded by the companies that make and sell paper and packaging under Oregon's Recycling



Modernization Act, the new Center is part of a statewide effort to expand recycling access and help more materials get recy-

cled properly.

"RecycleOn Centers provide Oregonians the opportunity to recycle more items," said Kim Holmes,

Oregon Executive Director at CAA. "By offering dedicated drop-off locations for these materials, we reduce contamination, protect recycling facility operations and workers, and ensure more materials are properly recycled."

Accepted Items

The Coos Bay RecycleOn Center accepts the following items that are not collected in home or business recycling bins:

- Plastic bags and stretchy plastic
- Plastic lids
- Plastic screw-on caps

- Plastic package handles
- Plastic buckets and pails
- Shredded paper in a closed paper bag
- Empty, dry aluminum foil and trays

"At Waste Connections sustainability drives the core of our operations, and through this partnership we're expanding recycling options for the Coos Bay/North Bend community," said Mark Fulwiler, Waste Connections District Manager. "This new RecycleOn Center provides an easy

way to recycle materials like plastic bags and aluminum foil. While many items are collected at the curb, this new RecycleOn Center will help conserve natural resources and protect the environment."

The new Coos Bay RecycleOn Center is located at 1210 S. Broadway, Coos Bay Oregon, 97240.

For a full list of RecycleOn Center locations, hours of operation, and accepted materials, visit RecycleOn.org/Oregon-Centers.

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COMMENTARY

Oregon’s 2026 race for governor: the facts on the ground

RANDY STAPILUS
Oregon Capital Chronicle

The Oregon governor’s race this year may hinge on two factors. One is the record of incumbent Democrat Tina Kotek and Republican Christine Drazan’s critique of it and issues on the ground. The other is the Trump administration. Here, let’s look at the first of those, the ideas and topics more specific to the candidates and Oregon. (The Trump factor will come later.)

A good shorthand comparison of what the candidates generally seem to want to emphasize, and how

they address those subjects, can be found on the issues pages on the respective websites of Drazan and Kotek.

These pages aren’t all that the candidates have, can or will say about various issues. But they do offer useful core messages. The first Drazan television spot this season, for example, plays like a short summary of her website’s issues page.

The two candidates talk about many of the same things, especially toward the top of their lists.

Both lead with the rising cost of living, described as a major problem.

From there, they diverge. Kotek says she has addressed high costs through attacking “corporate price gouging,” seeking to pause new taxes in the Portland area, blocking freeway tolls and utility rate increases and signing “bills that protect credit from medical debt, ban hidden online fees.” Drazan calls for lowering taxes, “repeal(ing) regulations that drive up gas, utilities and food prices,” and ending “Oregon’s unique death tax” (though how that would cut costs broadly is unclear).

Both also talk about affordable housing as a top priority, though again

differently. Kotek mentioned her efforts to increase housing stock through legislation and otherwise. Drazan proposed regulatory reduction, property tax cuts and programs to help first-time home buyers.

After affordability matters, education was the hottest topic for both candidates — again, in different ways.

Kotek noted funds for early literacy, child care programs, expanding access to books and requiring reports from local districts on student learning. Drazan talked about increases in special education funding but also efforts to “restore teachers’

ability to remove disruptive kids from the classroom ... Defend and protect women’s sports (evidently a reference to transgender students) ... Stop indoctrination from the Department of Education ... End social promotion and ensure kids can read by 3rd grade ... Ensure curriculum transparency and the right for parents to opt out.”

Both had plenty to say too about the economy, where Kotek referred to “strengthening” it and Drazan to “unleashing” it.

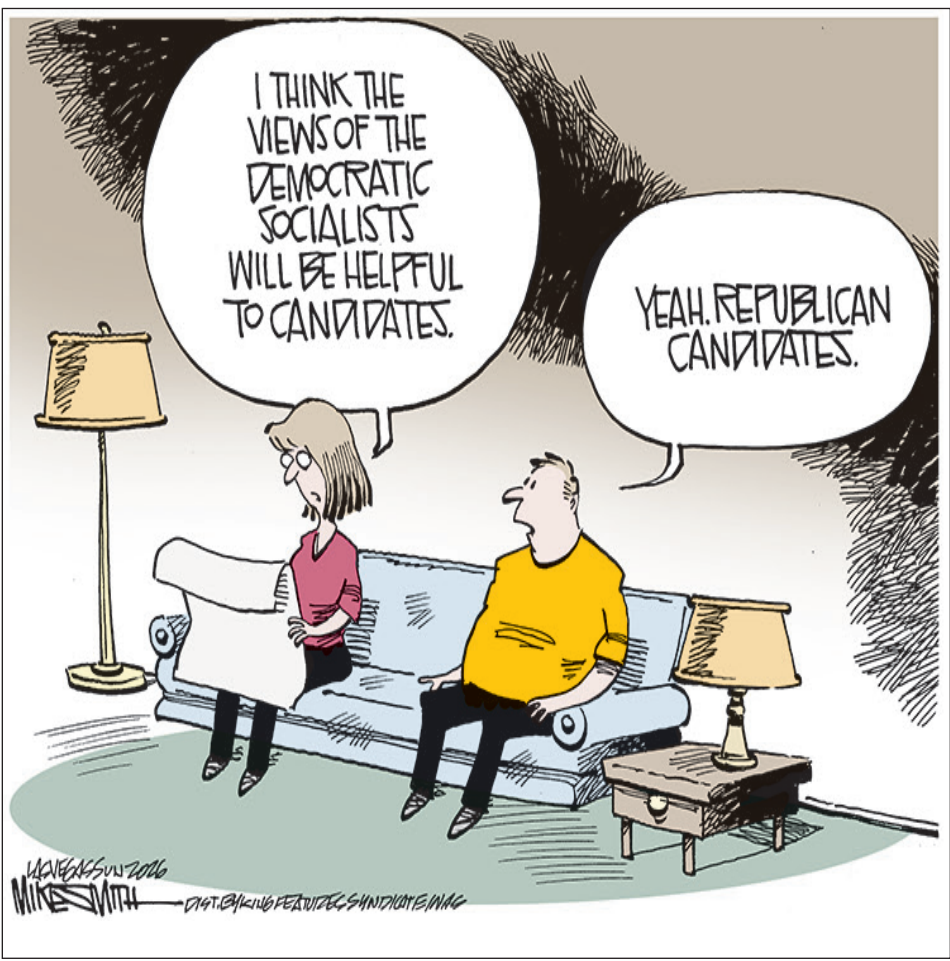
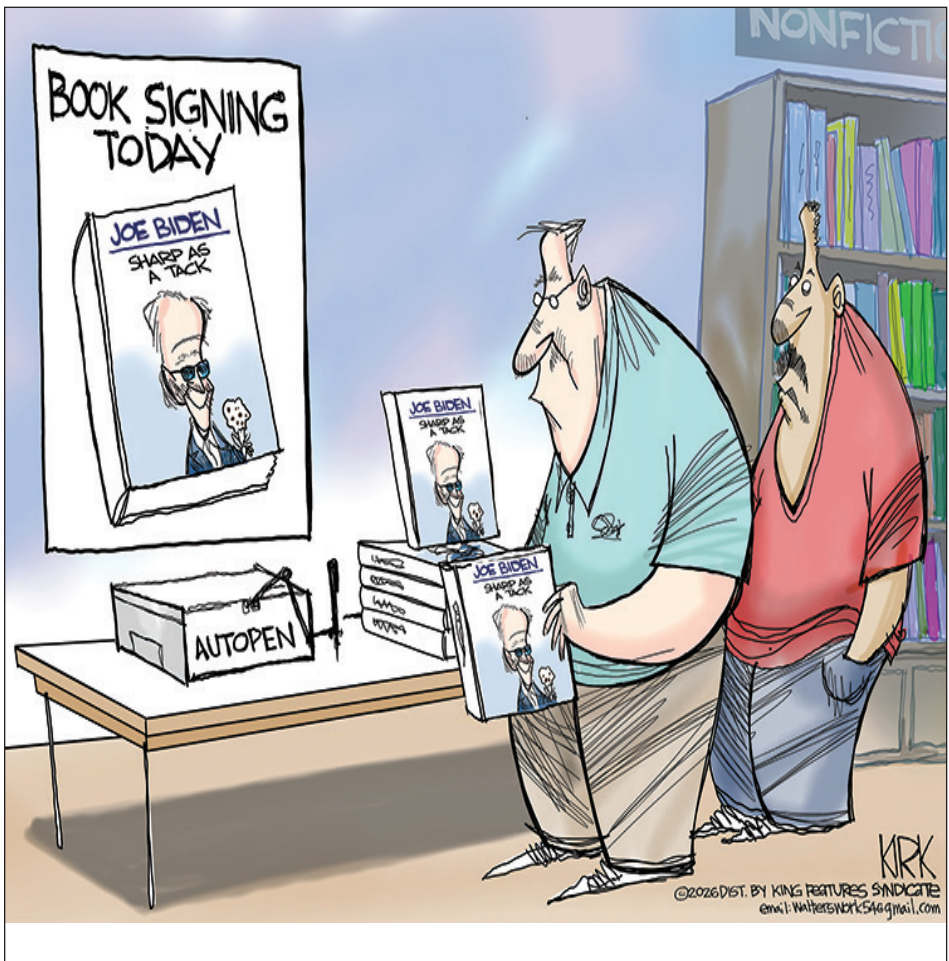
Kotek spoke of business partnerships and projects and focused on efforts to develop clean and renewable energy; elsewhere, she

spoke favorably of a moratorium on new data centers.

Drazan’s bullet points were painted with a broader brush: “Fire anti-business bureaucrats. Freeze new rules and regulations. Clear barriers to trade. Tear up anti-business executive orders. Get government out of the way. Invest in Oregon’s infrastructure. Prioritize access to affordable, reliable energy. Unleash our natural resource economy. ... Roll back Oregon’s hidden sales tax.”

See **STAPILUS**
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Political Cartoon



Super Crossword

Answers

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Weekly SUDOKU

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8	1	6	4	3	2	5	9	7
7	8	1	6	4	5	3	2	9
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Americanisms

"I let my feet spend as little time on the ground as possible."

— Jesse Owens

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The Garden Bug

Sweetspire

This shrub is found among wetlands and along stream banks. It can tolerate a wide range of soil and light conditions. Growing 4 to 8 feet tall, with graceful arching branches and fragrant bottlebrush-like flower clusters that appear in late spring, it boasts beautiful fall foliage. Its leaf colors range from copper to orange to gold, and last into winter. — 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

Bear encounters prompt warnings from ODFW

JEREMY C. RUARK
Country Medial

Local and state agencies have issued bear encounter advisories in the region.

As fall sets in, bears are beginning their annual fall feeding as they prepare for winter.

This intense feeding period begins in late summer when berries and fruits ripen and peaks when fruits like pears, apples, and plums become available. During this time, bears spend up to 20 hours a day foraging for food, according to the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW).

ODFW is urging Oregon residents, vacation rental managers, and visitors to secure attractants and prevent bears from accessing trash, bird seed, pet food, livestock and poultry feed and other tempting food sources – including dirty diapers. If these types of food are easily accessible, bears won't turn down an easy meal. Bears that become used to "people food" can pose a serious safety risk to people, the ODFW states in a release.

Bear encounters have forced the closures of an Oregon campground and prompted warnings from the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office.

The BLM has issued a bear encounter warning.

A mother bear and her cub have been aggressively looking for food in and around Fan Creek Campground, on the Nestucca River Corridor, roughly twenty-five miles west of McMinnville. In the interest of public safety, Bureau of Land Management

officials have temporarily closed the campground.

"The bears have been threatening to visitors, and they do not seem to be afraid of humans," BLM Tillamook Field Manager Janet Satter said. "For everyone's safety, the campground is closed for the time being. We are reaching out to visitors with impacted reservations, and we thank them for their flexibility and for respecting this temporary closure."

The BLM offers alternative camping options along the Nestucca River Corridor, at Dove and Alder Glen campgrounds. Both sites take reservations.

BLM officials are working with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to address the public safety risk.

TEADENCY TO RETURN

Relocation is not an option for bears that are habituated to food provided by people, according to the ODFW. Bears have a very strong tendency to return to the place they were captured – some traveling up to 50 miles or more to return. Bears that have become habituated to "human food" tend to repeat the same bad behaviors in their new location.

Relocating bears results in exporting the problem to another community if the bear does not return to the site of capture. Most habituated bears that are captured have to be humanely killed to protect human safety.

Habituated bears past the age of cub are rarely considered candidates for placement in an accredited facility or zoo. A bear's age, behavior, and circumstances plus facility availability and space are all factors when considering the



Courtesy photo

A bear's strongest sense is smell. This means everything from trash cans to grill drippings can bring them to your property, according to the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW).

possibility of placement. The average home range for a male black bear can exceed 50 square miles and placement in a confined facility is often not considered a viable or humane solution.

PREVENTION

The BLM always urges visitors to take extra precautions in bear country. Simple actions—like giving bears space, securing food and knowing what to do before you enter public lands—can protect visitors and bears. If

you encounter a bear, stay calm, speak in a steady voice, back away slowly and do not make sudden movements. Visitors should report bear encounters to BLM field offices as soon as it is safe to do so.

A bear's strongest sense is smell. This means everything from trash cans to grill drippings can bring them to your property, according to the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW).

Bears also have a great memory when it comes to food. They remember where they have found food before, including trash. Female bears will also pass this knowledge down to their young. Intentionally or accidentally feeding bears can negatively affect multiple generations of bears, the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) states in its weekly Tip of the Week.

"Feeding bears (intentionally or accidentally) will not only bring unwanted visitors to your community but can also be harmful. Wildlife have specialized diets that coincide with seasonal changes. Food provided by humans can negatively impact their health, lead to conflict and safety issues with people, and in some cases, have fatal consequences for the animals. For the sake of Oregon's wildlife and their health, do not feed them," the BLM and ODFW urge.

Living responsibly with black bears is possible and it's up to everyone to do their part to keep people safe and bears wild. The two agencies urge the public to follow these recommendations:

- Never feed or approach bears. Feeding bears, intentionally or unintentionally, will cause them to associate people with food. It is also against the law in Oregon (ORS 496.730).
- Secure food, garbage and recycling. Please ensure that your trash and dumpsters are secure from bears by using commercially available garbage cans, metal bars over dumpsters, fully enclosed trash storage, or by storing garbage inside. Take trash out

immediately before pick-up, not the night before. Wash garbage cans with bleach to reduce their smell. Food waste is one of the strongest attractants for black bears and allowing bears access could qualify as illegal feeding if appropriate steps are not taken to prevent the issue.

- Remove bird feeders in bear habitat when bears are active. Birds have plenty of naturally available food sources during all seasons which is why some species migrate in winter. Bears can be food rewarded from bird seed and suet in feeders leading to habituation and food conditioning, destroyed birdfeeders, and public safety issues.
- Never leave pet food outdoors. This practice can easily attract bears and other wildlife, putting your pets and wildlife at risk.
- Clean and store grills after each use.
- Alert neighbors and ODFW to unusual bear activity (continued sightings during daylight hours, lack of wariness around people or pets, etc.).

The LCSO and ODFW urge residents to share these tips with your neighbors, friends and family.

"A community effort is vital to preventing problems with bears," the two agencies state. "One person who feeds or attracts bears, intentionally or not, can pose a risk to everyone in the neighborhood."

Find out more about living responsibly with black bears at <https://myodfw.com/articles/help-keep-bears-wild>."

Puzzle answers on page 9

Super Crossword

ACROSS

1 Gentle

5 Not active

9 Hockey great Gordie

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20 Back end

21 Notion

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23 "Klute" actress

25 Line of air fresheners requiring an outlet

27 Element #10

28 See 38-Down

29 Texting format, for short

30 Land in cau

32 Strong-arms

36 Lobbying org.

37 Singer Ross

39 "Let's Get It On" singer

41 Certain fruit stone

43 "— fair in love and war"

44 Stood to lose

46 Idyllic places

47 City official on "Family Guy"

50 Part of UCLA

52 Make tidy

56 Noted Deco master

57 Notion

60 Go in haste

61 Fogged up, as a sauna

65 School for associate's degrees

68 Caribbean resort

69 "Let it stand"

71 Goes after in court

72 Intended (to)

73 Bartending tool with holes

76 1841-45 first family

77 Primo pitcher

78 Cape Cod resort village

79 Dried up

81 Hepthathlete Jackie Joyner- —

84 Railroad depot: Abbr.

86 Portend a good outcome

90 Dog's reward

93 Scored a major victory

95 Mine, in France

96 Brownish-toned picture

100 Stuff squirted by a cephalopod

103 Slow to react

104 NFL notable

105 Some private planes

106 "Is that so!"

107 Univ. senior's test

108 Weapons depot

110 Tiger's sound, to tots

112 Halifax native

115 Poolside seat

120 Large moon of Uranus

121 "I'm buying"

122 Region

123 Rebuke from Caesar

124 Lie comfily close

125 Belgian river

126 Frat guys

127 Span represented by the first three letters of 12 answers in this puzzle

8 Time of note

9 Old LP

10 Polish river

11 Program running in a browser

12 Topic of an ologist's instructions

13 Intent stare

14 Munched on

15 Fuel additive brand

16 Country singer

17 School reunion-goers

18 Pesters

24 Central points

26 "Champion" of Spain

28 Overly docile

30 Muslim prayer leader

31 See 70-Down

33 Heron variety

34 Elevate

35 Sac in anatomy

37 "Finished!"

38 With 28-Across, church meeting cry

40 Abbr. on a brandy bottle

41 Dreamy guys

42 Italian for "hundred"

45 SpaceX head

48 Chart anew

49 Ironic, as wit

51 Rub to clean

53 Main topic

54 "The — Sanction" (1975 film)

55 Must have

57 Halve with an ax, say

58 Prior to, to a bard

59 Mac rivals

61 "Wheel of Fortune" host Pat

62 Halting of hostilities

63 Leonhard of pure mathematics

64 Prez Lincoln

65 Denim pants

66 Cake tier

67 "— Abner"

69 Hog's pen

70 With 31-Down, lifting song syllables

74 Ovine animal

75 El — (ocean current)

76 —TV ("Tacoma FD" channel)

79 Armani offerings

80 Incite

82 Incite

83 Part of QED

85 Basic lessons

86 Once lived

87 Move to a new country

88 Individual

89 Similar to

91 "Billy, Don't Be —"

92 "Anna Karenina" novelist

94 Yule tune

96 Join the team

97 Get dressed

98 Irritates

99 Promotional connections

101 Ski jackets

102 Quadrennial games org.

105 Seat weaver

108 Clearasil target

109 Moniker

111 Curds and —

113 Craft

114 Pine- —

115 Small dollop

116 Make a gaffe

117 Co. top dog

118 Give — shot

119 Classic Karet Capek play

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Many Oregonians may qualify for SNAP work or activity rule exemptions without realizing it

OREGON DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Many Oregonians who are required to meet SNAP work or activity rules may qualify for an exemption based on their health, work, education, caregiving responsibilities or other circumstances.

The Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) is encouraging people to contact the agency so staff can review their situation and help them keep the food benefits they qualify for.

Currently, 93% of Oregonians subject to SNAP work or activity rules qualify for an exemption.

“A change in your life can change whether SNAP work or activity rules apply to you,” ODHS SNAP Director Jessica Amaya Hoffman said. “You may have started caring for someone, experienced a health change or begun a new job or training program. Contact us before assuming you have to meet the requirements. We’ll listen, explain your options and help you take the next step.”

Common reasons someone may qualify for an exemption



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SNAP is a federal program that provides food assistance to approximately 1 in 5 eligible, low-income families and individuals in Oregon, including many older adults and people with disabilities.

Depending on their circumstances, people may qualify for an exemption if they are:

- Pregnant.
- Physically or mentally unable to work.
- Already working enough hours to meet the requirement.
- Participating in a qualifying education or training program.
- Move to an exempt county or waived Tribal land.

• Responsible for caring for a child or another person, depending on their circumstances.

Report changes as soon as possible

Life circumstances change. If you’ve started a new job, become pregnant, experienced a change in your health or your household responsibilities have changed, contact ODHS as soon as possible. Those changes may mean you now qualify for an exemption.

People who think they may qualify for an exemption can also complete the Report of Exemptions, Paid or Unpaid Work, or Good Cause form. The form can help identify whether someone may qualify for an exemption and report volunteer hours, work activities or other qualifying information to ODHS.

How ODHS can help

People who contact ODHS may:

- Review their individual circumstances to determine whether an exemption applies.
- Learn what documentation may be needed.
- Report changes in work, volunteer activities or household circumstances.
- Complete the Report of Exemptions, Paid or Unpaid Work, or Good Cause form.
- Connect with WorkSource Oregon and other employment and training resources if they need to meet the work or activity requirements.

About SNAP work or activity rules

As of July 2025, federal changes expanded SNAP work or activity rules, increasing the number of

Oregonians who need to meet these requirements to continue receiving food benefits.

Adults ages 18 to 64 without a child under age 14 in their SNAP household generally need to complete 80 hours of work or qualifying activities each month unless they qualify for an exemption or live in a waived area.

If someone does not meet the requirements and does not qualify for an exemption, ODHS sends a counting month notice. Anyone who receives one of these notices is encouraged to contact the SNAP Work or Activity Rules Team to discuss their options.

Learn more

For more information about SNAP work or activity rules and exemptions:

- English: Oregon.gov/snapworkrules
- Spanish: Oregon.gov/snapnormastrabajo

ODHS SNAP Work or Activity Rules (ABAWD) Team

- Call: 1-833-947-1694
- Email: SNAP.ABAWDTeam@odhsoha.oregon.gov

Wyden gets ‘clear, consistent message’ at health care hearing

JEREMY C. RUARK
Country Media

Oregon Senator Ron Wyden conducted an online health care hearing to gain Oregonians concerns and experiences as patients, consumers of long-term care,

family caregivers, nurses, doctors and pharmacists.

Country Media Editor Jermy Ruark spoke with Sen. Wyden following the event conducted Sunday, Aug. 16 in Medford.

Country Media: What was the range of questions/ comments during your hearing?

Senator Ron Wyden: Sunday’s online health care field hearing for rural Oregonians generated personal and painful stories of medical anguish from every nook and cranny of our state. And the clear and consistent message I heard from those accounts — along with others delivered at similar hearings statewide over the past week — is that Americans are suffering from a health care nightmare. It’s a nightmare that includes crushing expenses, denied coverage, delayed treatments and mind-numbing bureaucracy throwing up roadblock after roadblock between patients and their caregivers.

Country Media: How will you address those concerns?

Wyden: As the top Democrat on the Senate Finance Committee, I will keep leading the fight when Democrats regain the majority to make Congress wake up, end this health care nightmare and turn the dream of universal health care into a tangible reality. Medicare for All would lower costs and



Courtesy photo

Oregon Senator Ron Wyden taking public comments during the online health care hearing event.

ensure Americans’ health care can’t be yanked away.

Country Media: What will be the challenges in addressing those concerns?

Wyden: Donald Trump and Republicans made the health care nightmare worse, and Democrats will build the system Americans deserve. There’s no doubt that powerful special interests like Big Pharma and Big Insurance will keep scheming to defend the failed health care status quo. I am more convinced than ever after these initial “reimagining health care” field hearings across Oregon that ‘people power’ can and will defeat those special interests.

Wyden is holding multiple statewide “Reimagining Health Care for America” field hearings during the August congressional work period to take testimony ahead of what he cited as upcoming massive changes inflicted on Oregonians by Donald Trump and congressional Republicans. Wyden has conducted in-person field hearings during this month in Eugene, Salem, Portland and Medford. Additional in-person hearings are planned throughout 2026 in additional Oregon cities.

“My goal throughout all these hearings is to advance a fresh plan to reimagine the American health care system that makes good on the promise that health care is a basic human right,” Wyden said. “Essential elements of that fresh health care plan must deliver a home-care guarantee for all Americans to get ahead of the long-term care crisis, keep reining in Big Pharma, hold insurance companies accountable and provide every American with a public Medicare choice for their health care that is affordable and high-quality.”

Starting in January 2027, nearly 250,000 Oregonians will be at risk of losing their health insurance, a huge blow that will hurt all Oregonians by making health care even harder to access for everyone, according to Wyden.

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A COMMUNITY GATHERING TO EXPRESS VIEWS, SUPPORT DEMOCRACY, AND CONNECT WITH LIKE MINDED NEIGHBORS.

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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.

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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.
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DESCRIPTION: MONTHLY LECTURE ON LOCAL HISTORY TOPICS. PRE REGISTRATION ENCOURAGED.

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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.

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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.

OREGON BAY AREA BEAUTIFICATION
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
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TUESDAY MORNINGS - 11:00 AM
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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 wiles 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.

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WILDER FRETS: CLASSICAL GUITAR IN THE WILDERNESS
AUGUST 25 - AUGUST 26, 2026
JOIN AWARD-WINNING CLASSICAL GUITAR VIRTUOSO AND ARTISTIC DIRECTOR TYE AUSTIN FOR AN EVENING 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 OREGON’S BREATHTAKING NATURAL LANDSCAPES INTO UNFORGETTABLE OUTDOOR CONCERT VENUES, BRINGING WORLD-CLASS MUSIC BEYOND THE TRADITIONAL CONCERT HALL.

MUSIC ON THE BAY
- HOT BROWN SMACKDOWN AUGUST 27, 7:00 PM
MINGUS PARK AMPHITHEATER
HOT BROWN SMACKDOWN, A HIGH-ENERGY NEWGRASS FUSION BAND, WILL PERFORM AT MINGUS PARK AMPHITHEATER FOR MUSIC ON THE BAY’S FREE CONCERT SERIES. AT THE THIRD SHOW, EXPECT TRADITIONAL BLUEGRASS MIXED WITH ROCK, JAZZ, AND FUNK FOR AN AVANT-GARDE YET CLASSIC SOUND. BRING CHAIRS, A BLANKET, AND PICNIC FOOD TO ENJOY AN EVENING OF GREAT MUSIC IN A PLEASANT SETTING.

CONCERT BEGINS AT 7 P.M.

PLEIN AIR IN THE PARK AT SHORE ACRES STATE PARK
AUGUST 28 - AUGUST 29
SHORE ACRES STATE PARK BOTANICAL GARDENS ENJOY THE THIRD ANNUAL ART IN THE PARK AT BEAUTIFUL SHORE ACRES STATE PARK ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, AUGUST 28–29. SPEND THE DAY PAINTING AMONG THE SPECTACULAR GARDENS FROM 10 A.M. TO 3 P.M., SURROUNDED BY COASTAL SCENERY AND FELLOW ARTISTS. BRING YOUR FAVORITE ART SUPPLIES, EASEL, CHAIR, PAINTS, AND A LUNCH, AND ENJOY A RELAXING DAY OF CREATIVITY AND INSPIRATION. ARTISTS ARE ALSO WELCOME TO BRING SAMPLES OF THEIR WORK AND BUSINESS CARDS TO SHARE WITH VISITORS AND OTHER PARTICIPANTS. COME FOR ONE DAY OR BOTH.

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, WORKING RANCHES, FARMS, AND HISTORICAL SITES FOR CLASSICAL MUSIC CONCERTS THAT CONNECT PEOPLE WITH EACH LANDSCAPE. TO MEET THE ACOUSTICAL CHALLENGES OF PERFORMING IN THE WILD, MUSIC IS TRANSMITTED TO CONCERT-GOERS VIA WIRELESS HEADPHONES. NO LONGER CONFINED TO SEATS, CONCERT GOERS CAN EXPLORE THE LANDSCAPE, WANDER THROUGH THE SHORE ACRES GARDEN, LIE IN SUNNY MEADOWS, AND ROAM ALONG THE RUGGED CLIFFS.

WEDNESDAY BUSINESS CONNECTION LUNCHEONS, BAY AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
EVERY WEDNESDAY STARTING SEPT. 2, 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM
KO-KWEL CASINO RESORT, SALMON ROOM
THE BAY AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE’S WEDNESDAY BUSINESS CONNECTION LUNCHEONS RETURN TO THE KO-KWEL CASINO RESORT FOR ANOTHER SLATE OF INFORMATIVE FORUMS AND PRESENTATIONS PERTAINING TO LOCAL BUSINESSES

AND POLITICS. THE OPENING SLATE OF GUESTS INCLUDE:
SEPT. 2 - KICK OFF WBC WITH SENATOR DICK ANDERSON
SEPT. 9 - TRAVEL WITH THE CHAMBER “A TASTE OF TUSCANY”
SEPT. 16 - REPRESENTATIVE COURT BOICE AND BRET CECIL FORUM
SEPT. 23 - SHERIFF GABE FABRIZIO AND MIKE KINNAIRD FORUM
OCTOBER 7 - CONGRESSWOMAN VAL HOYLE AND MONIQUE DESPAIN

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, POETIC 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 ATMOSPHERE AND ENJOY AN EVENING FILLED WITH OUTSTANDING MUSIC.

COOS BAY DOWNTOWN WINE WALK
- FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH
SEPTEMBER 4, 5:00 PM
COOS BAY VISITORS CENTER
YOU DON’T NEED TO BE SOPHISTICATED TO ENJOY THE COOS BAY WINE WALK... JUST COME, HAVE FUN, AND SUPPORT A GREAT CAUSE! THE FUN 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.

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SEPTEMBER 10, 4:00-6:00 PM
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Bandon WESTERN WORLD

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As I See It

By Mary Schamehorn

One of the many service projects of the Bandon Lions Club -- in March of 1971 -- was the cutting of firewood for a number of people in the Bandon area who either could not afford to buy wood or were unable to obtain it. In this picture, Lion Max Howe, at right, looks over the logs provided by the Port of Bandon, while Marge Kelley and her son Kingsley Kelley load a pickup with the cut wood at the port dock.

In the background you can see the Port office (now Tony's Crab Shack), the Big Wheel and behind it the windows of the Golden Rule (now The Continuum Center). Looming in the background is the building that survived the Fire of 1936 and now houses Cranberry Sweets.

The second photo, taken in April of 1961, features

World as part of an article about confusing one-way signs downtown.

"Signing in the one way grid area downtown, which has been the subject of many complaints from merchants in the area, was reviewed by the city council Tuesday evening after City Administrator Ben McMakin had requested a comprehensive report from Police Chief D. S. "Big Mac" MacDonald.

"Business people had complained bitterly about the 'near misses' which resulted from unwary tourists traveling the wrong way on Second Street. 'And it's not just one or two a day ... it's all day long' one merchant had told the city staff earlier.

"In addition to signs, which were said to be either inadequate or in need of refurbishing, there is an arrow on Baltimore

road rage incident.

During the incident, the suspect allegedly broke the victim's vehicle window and pointed a firearm at him. The suspect then left the scene. Officers located the suspect a short time later and took him into custody.

The other driver was not injured during the incident.

As a result of the investigation, William Garwood, 46, Veneta, was arrested and lodged for unlawful use of a weapon, second degree criminal mischief, menacing and felon in possession of a weapon.

According to the Bandon Police Department, all charges are allegations, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law.

I was sorry to learn of the death of long-time Bandon resident, John Gamble, who died Aug. 11 after a battle with cancer. A member of the Bandon High School Class of 1958, Gamble served on the Bandon City Council for some years and worked in administration for the Coos County Sheriff's Department before retiring.

He is survived by his wife, Chele, who worked for the City of Bandon in the finance department before retiring.

I also learned that a former long-time Myrtle Point hairdresser Maureen Bergman died Aug. 9 at Pacific View Assisted Living. Her son, Josh Brickman, said a memorial service will be held Aug. 21 at 11 a.m. at the Myrtle Point First Christian Church.

I also learned that a former Bandon resident Kay Linke died recently, but I do not know the details or where she was living.

A number of commercial properties remain on the market, according to information from various real estate sites.

The Rolling Pin Bake and Brew is for sale for \$199,000, and is listed by Carly McCullough of Beach Loop Realty.

Although it appears that a sale may be pending, the former West Coast Game Park facility is on the market for \$1.8 million.

Others include La Kris Inn, a 12-room motel,



Drug building, \$199,000; and Billy Smoothboards, pending, \$985,000.

I've learned an interesting side note to the story about the latest rescue by Wayne Butler of Prowler Charters. The overnight rescue involved long-time Port Commissioner Hugh McNeil's grandson, John, who is also the nephew of former Bandon Coastguard serviceman and former football coach Bill McNeil.

"I am proud of both these men, and thank them both," said Steve McNeil, who is the father of John.

Wayne Butler and his crew continue to perform the services of the Coast Guard, which no longer stations a motor lifeboat here.

I read recently that Coos-Curry Electric, a consumer-owned utility who serves a number of Bandon area customers south of town, was raising their rates by 10.8 percent, effective Sept. 1. It was pointed out that about one-third of the overall rate adjustment was attributed to higher wholesale power Harbor, secretary-treasurer; Wes Bruning, Brookings/Harbor; Jim Kolen, Gold Beach; Johnny Jones, Port Orford/Langlois, and Pete Radabaugh of Bandon, representing Bandon and Coquille.

Earlier, it had been reported that Bernie Cooley, who was involved in the fatal accident on April 15 north of Bandon, suffered only minor injuries. A person with knowledge about his injuries said that Mr. Cooley, who worked in the caddie department at Bandon Dunes for the last 10 years, suffered a broken Clavicle (collarbone) and was never able to work again. "They released him from Bay Area Hospital with a broken back as well as the other injuries. He returned to staff housing at Bandon Dunes and had to be carried into the unit. He refused to go back to BAH and went to Southern Coos where he died from a pleural effusion of the collarbone and pneumonia," said my source. He had no known family.

An 18-year-old Coquille p.m., Bay Cities Ambulance reported a vehicle accident on Highway 101 just past Riverside Drive. There were no injuries and no lane blockage. Dispatch requesting Bandon Police Department.

Stillwater Natives Nursery is looking for Fall semester interns, who will work 4 to 6 hours a week with plants in the greenhouse. They will receive a work experience credit and an \$800 stipend from Friends of Bandon Parks & Recreation. For more information or to apply, contact Darcy Grahek at darcygrahek@gmail.com. "We will connect students to a whole world of people who work with plants," said Grahek.

I've learned that the Coquille River Lighthouse Keepers Foundation raised \$4369.19 from their fund-raising picnic, held at Bullards Beach State Park on Aug. 8, according to chair Roger Straus.

Coming events:

Sept. 1, Blood drive, sponsored by Southern Coos Hospital and Health



the co-captains of the Coos County Championship 7th grade basketball team, Bill Burgher, left, and Bill Smith. Today, Burgher lives in Coos Bay and Smith, a retired teacher, lives in Bandon. As members of the BHS Class of 1966, they are preparing to join their classmates in celebrating their 60-year class reunion during Cranberry Festival week.

The photo was taken at the Harbor Lights Junior High School athletics banquet. Others honored were Floyd Holloway, 7th grade coach; Rex Nuttbrock, 8th grade basketball captain; Ray Johnson, 8th grade football captain; Ken Davis, 8th grade coach, and Brian Baker, 8th grade baseball captain.

Principal Loren Steiner congratulated the boys on their good season.

The article for the paper was written by a student, Claudia Dobney (now Powers).

The third photo looks much different than Old Town as we know it today. The photo appeared in the Aug. 9, 1979, Western

Avenue (between Lloyd's and Dave's TV) which indicates that cars cannot turn right on that street ... although Baltimore was changed back to two-way traffic several years ago.

The building that is Kronenberg & Waldrop Insurance in this photo today is the home of Sassy Seagull. The Art Gallery building is the home of Coastal Mist, and Second Street Gallery is where the old barbershop stood in this photo. At far left is the Arcade Garden, owned by J.C. and Kitty Page, and you can see the steps leading up the west side of the building to their apartment upstairs. Today the building is owned by Bill and Louise Moore and has been condemned by the state fire marshal as unsafe for occupancy.

I was a member of the city council from 1977 until 1986, and wrote the article and took the photo for the paper.

Bandon Police were dispatched to the intersection of Highway 101 and Fillmore Avenue at 4:40 p.m. Aug. 11 for a reported



\$1,550,000; Lord Bennett's restaurant, \$2.2 million; the former Beach Junction Grocery building, south of town, \$679,000; former Italian restaurant south of Bandon, \$1 million; Mother's Natural Grocery building, \$89,000; former Freedom Graphics building, \$399,000; old florist shop at 11th and Alabama, \$649,000; The Minute Cafe in Old Town, \$675,000; former Shindler

costs from Bonneville Power Administration. Coos-Curry Electric is headquartered in Port Orford, with Brent Bischoff of Bandon as the utility manager.

Board members include Dan Loshbaugh, president, a third-generation cranberry grower; Cheryl McMahan, Brookings/Harbor, vice president; John Herzog, Brookings/

woman, Mariah Mayfield, died in the accident.

Bandon Fire was paged out Wednesday for a rollover accident on West Beaver Hill Road near milepost 6. A female was said to be stuck inside the vehicle. Dispatch said the Fire department could cancel as the ambulance was on the scene and the vehicle was off the roadway.

On Aug. 15, at 8:16

Center, noon to 5 p.m., The Barn, City Park, Call 1-800-733-2767 enter: SouthernCoosCityof-Bandon to schedule an appointment.

Bandon Cranberry Festival, Sept. 12-13.

Design a pollinator patch, Sept. 19, 10:30 a.m. to noon, Library Sprague room. Registration required at info@stillwater-nativesnursery.com.

Help Wanted!

Hiring for all positions for the Bandon Inn and Lighthouse Cove

If you are professional, a team player, honest, reliable, dependable and flexible, please pick up an application at the front desk. Experience desired, but not necessary. Positive team player attitude is a must! We offer a competitive wage and benefits.

THE PLANET MONGO.

FLASH GORDON

BY JIM KEEFE

8-8

MING THE MERCILESS HAS RETURNED!

DUROK, ESTABLISH THE LINK BETWEEN THIS CHAMBER AND THE SPACE PORTAL SENT TO EARTH.

AND THEN WHAT? YOU CAN'T CONQUER A WORLD WITH ONLY A HANDFUL OF MEN!

IS YOUR WHOLE RACE AS DIM-WITTED AS YOURSELF?

MING BUILT THIS FACILITY FAR BENEATH THE PALACE FOR A REASON...

...UNDERNEATH US LIES THE CAVERN OF THE GORKONS!

BY TAO!

AS DUROK FLIPS A SWITCH ON HIS ROCKETCYCLE, A HOLOGRAM SUDDENLY FILLS THE CHAMBER.

THE CARNAGE THEY'LL WREAK UPON YOUR UNSUSPECTING LITTLE PLANET WILL BE APOCALYPTIC!

DUROK, ENOUGH TALK. ACCESS THE SPACE PORTAL!

NEXT: PRELUDE TO DISASTER!

"GORKONS"?

GRIN and BEAR IT

Wagner

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"Didn't I warn you not to scrimmage the cheerleaders?"

THIMBLE THEATRE PRESENTS

POPEYE

BY RANDY MCKILLAND

JUST A WARNIN', BRUTUS. I WOKE UP IN A BAD MOOD.

HOW'S THAT DIFFERENT FROM EVERY OTHER MORNING?

YA AINT EXACTLY DISPROVIN' MY POINT!

IT'S IN ONE OF THOSE BAD MOODS THAT'S ONLY FIXED...

BY MAKIN' OTHERS MISERABLE, TOO!

FEELSMAN MARRIATHON

HALF OF ALL MARRIAGES END IN DIVORCE! GOOD LUCK!

GET A JOB AND STOP MOOCHIN' OFF YOUR FOLKS!

NOTHIN' LIKE A FOOT BATH ON A HOT DAY!

WERE YOU DRINKIN' THIS?

OKAY, BRUTUS. LET'S GO FILL IN ALL THE HOLES AT THE GOLF COURSE.

BUT FIRST, A SNACK!

TWO DOGS WITH EVERYTHING, PLEASE!

AND A LIL EXTRA FOR THE TIP JAR! THANK YOU!

I DON'T GET IT, BLUTO. YOU'VE BEEN ROTTEN TO EVERYONE ELSE.

WHY BE NICE TO THE HOTDOG GUY?

MY SWEET, NAVEE BROTHER, HERE'S AN IMPORTANT LESSON.

YOU CAN BE TOUGH ENOUGH TO TANGLE WITH MOST PEOPLE IN THIS WORLD.

BUT YOU AINT NEVER TOUGH ENOUGH TO MESS WITH THE PERSON PREPARIN' YOUR FOOD.

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

HEARY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Glass is larger. 2. Hand is moved. 3. Bow tie is missing. 4. Mug is reversed. 5. Arm is reversed. 6. Label is missing.

TIGER

by BUD BLAKE

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

OK, DON'T JUDGE. I'M ONLY WATCHING THIS BECAUSE THE BATTERIES IN THE REMOTE DIED ABOUT AN HOUR AGO.

WIL FOSTER'S

Prince Valiant

BY SCHULTZ AND YEATES

NATHAN HAS FOUND AN OLD MAN WHO CLAIMS TO KNOW THE IMPORTANCE OF THE ARTIFACT GUYRAN GUARDS: "THE SOUL OF ASIA HAS RETURNED! GIOVANNI NEEDS IT!"

GUYRAN IS VISIBLY MOVED: "HE KNOWS THE TALISMAN'S NAME! IT IS AS GIOVANNI PROMISED!" KAREN INTERJECTS: "THEN TELL US! WHAT OF MY HUSBAND?"

IT IS AS IF A WEIGHT HAS BEEN LIFTED FROM GUYRAN'S SOUL:

"I HAD BEEN SWORN TO SILENCE, BUT THIS MAN IS A SIGN THAT THE TIME HAS COME TO SPEAK! LISTEN, LADY KAREN: WHEN GIOVANNI ABANDONED HIS LATE FATHER'S KINGDOM TO BE WITH YOU..."

"MY BROTHERS AND I, LOYAL RETAINERS TO PRESTER JOHN, KNEW THAT ONE POWERFUL TALISMAN FROM HIS TREASURE HOARD MUST NEVER FALL INTO AZAR RASAS HANDS.

"WE CONTRIVED TO SPIRIT AWAY THE SOUL OF ASIA, THE MYSTIC ANTIDOTE TO CHAOS, AND BRING IT TO GIOVANNI, THE RIGHTFUL HEIR!"

NEXT: Giovanni's duty

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"...HIS DEPARTURE CREATED A VACUUM, ALLOWING A DANGEROUS SORCERER TO COME TO POWER! AZAR RASA IS A GROWING FORCE OF DESTRUCTION AMONG PRESTER JOHN'S PEOPLES - HE THREATENS ALL WITH HIS MAD AMBITIONS!"

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Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas

ISN'T IT IRONIC, DON'T YOU THINK?

SNIFF, SNIFF, SNIFF

OW!

A GUY GETS A DULL PAIN IN HIS HEAD FROM SNIFFING A SHARPIE

KOPERVAS

Community CALENDAR

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CONNECT WITH LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS THAT OFFER SERVICES, AFTER-SCHOOL CARE, PRESCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES, AND ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 FROM 4:00-6:00PM AT A FAMILY RESOURCE FAIR AT THE COOS BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY. THE EVENT WILL FEATURE A WIDE RANGE OF LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS THAT WORK WITH FAMILIES AND CHILDREN 0-18, THE PURPOSE OF THE FAIR IS TO GIVE PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS AN OPPORTUNITY TO SEE WHAT ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE COMMUNITY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

MUSIC ON THE BAY - J & THE CAUSEWAYS
SEPTEMBER 10, 7:00 PM
MINGUS PARK AMPHITHEATER NEW ORLEANS SOUL/R&B POWERHOUSE ENSEMBLE J & THE CAUSEWAYS

COME TO THE MINGUS PARK AMPHITHEATER AS PART OF MUSIC ON THE BAY’S SIX FREE CONCERT SERIES. THE FIFTH CONCERT OF THE SERIES BRINGS FUNKY SOUL AND R&B TO THE MINGUS PARK STAGE. COME WITH YOUR CHAIRS, A BLANKET, AND SOME PICNIC FOOD TO SOAK IN THE LOVELY ATMOSPHERE AND ENJOY AN EVENING FILLED WITH OUTSTANDING MUSIC. CONCERT BEGINS AT 7PM.

21ST ANNUAL SALMON CELEBRATION
SEPTEMBER 12-13
KO-KWEL CASINO RESORT
CELEBRATE THE 21ST ANNUAL SALMON CELEBRATION, A FREE OUTDOOR FESTIVAL HONORING NATIVE AND COQUILLE TRIBAL CULTURE ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, FROM 10 AM TO 5 PM, AND SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, FROM 11 AM TO 4 PM. THIS EVENT BRINGS A WEEKEND OF FAMILY FUN FEATURING TRIBAL CANOE RACES, NATIVE VENDORS AND

HANDCRAFTED ART, CULTURAL DEMONSTRATIONS, HANDSON ACTIVITIES, AND A TRADITIONAL SALMON BAKE MEAL AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE. ENJOY LIVE NATIVE AMERICAN DANCING, DRUMMING, AND FLUTE MUSIC THROUGHOUT THE WEEKEND. THE FESTIVAL TAKES PLACE IN THE SOUTH PARKING LOT OUTSIDE THE KO-KWEL CASINO RESORT HOTEL. ADMISSION IS FREE, SO BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY AND CELEBRATE CULTURE, COMMUNITY, AND TRADITION.

MUSIC ON THE BAY - THE NIKKI JONES BAND
SEPTEMBER 17, 7:00 PM
MINGUS PARK AMPHITHEATRE THE NIKKI JONES BAND WILL PERFORM THEIR FUSION OF ROCK, BLUES, FUNK AND SOUL MUSIC AT THE MINGUS PARK AMPHITHEATER AS PART OF MUSIC ON THE BAY’S COMPLIMENTARY CONCERT SERIES. THE SIXTH AND FINAL EVENT FEATURES THE 2025 MUDDY AWARD WINNER

FOR BEST NEW ARTIST. ATTENDEES ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING CHAIRS, BLANKETS, AND PICNIC PROVISIONS TO ENJOY THE PLEASANT SURROUNDINGS AND EXPERIENCE AN EVENING OF EXCEPTIONAL MUSIC. CONCERT BEGINS AT 7PM.

THE LIBERTY THEATRE: THE CURIOUS INCIDENT OF THE DOG IN THE NIGHT-TIME
SEPTEMBER 18-27, 7:00 PM, MATINEES @ 2:00 PM
LIBERTY THEATRE, 2100 SHERMAN AVE, NORTH BEND
THE CURIOUS INCIDENT OF THE DOG IN THE NIGHT-TIME IS A CAPTIVATING MYSTERY THAT FOLLOWS A BRILLIANT YOUNG MAN ON AN UNEXPECTED JOURNEY AFTER THE DEATH OF A NEIGHBOR’S DOG. FILLED WITH HUMOR, HEART, AND SURPRISING DISCOVERIES, THIS ACCLAIMED PLAY OFFERS A UNIQUE LOOK AT FAMILY, COURAGE, AND SEEING THE WORLD THROUGH DIFFERENT EYES. PRESENTED BY LIBERTY THEATRE ON

THE BAY, PERFORMANCES ARE SEPTEMBER 18, 19, 25 AND 26 AT 7:00 PM, SEPTEMBER 20 AND 27 AT 2:00 PM. TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE.

PREFONTAINE MEMORIAL RUN
SEPTEMBER 19, 10:05 AM
STARTS AT 4TH AND ANDERSON, COOS BAY
THE PREFONTAINE MEMORIAL RUN RETURNS TO COOS BAY ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2026 AT 10:05 AM. CHOOSE BETWEEN A SCENIC 10K OR A 2-MILE FUN RUN/WALK THROUGH DOWNTOWN COOS BAY, STARTING AT 4TH AND ANDERSON AND FINISHING ON THE MARSHFIELD HIGH SCHOOL PREFONTAINE TRACK. EVERY FINISHER RECEIVES A COMMEMORATIVE MEDAL, AND AWARDS WILL BE PRESENTED FOLLOWING THE RACES. CAN’T MAKE IT IN PERSON? VIRTUAL RACE OPTIONS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE. COME RUN, WALK, CHEER, AND CELEBRATE THE LEGACY OF OREGON RUNNING LEGEND STEVE PREFONTAINE!

ANNUAL BAY AREA FUN FESTIVAL
SEPTEMBER 19-20
THE BAY AREA FUN FESTIVAL IS HAPPENING SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 AND 20. SATURDAY’S EVENTS RUN FROM 9 A.M. - 6 P.M. AND SUNDAY FROM 10 A.M. - 4 P.M. AS SUMMER WINDS DOWN, THE SOUTH COAST TURNS UP THE FUN. THE BAY AREA FUN FESTIVAL, ALSO KNOWN AS THE GREATEST LAST PARTY OF THE SUMMER, TAKES OVER COOS BAY AND BEYOND EVERY THIRD WEEKEND IN SEPTEMBER. THOUSANDS OF LOCALS AND VISITORS GATHER TO ENJOY THE SIGHTS, SOUNDS, AND FLAVORS OF DOWNTOWN COOS BAY. FROM LIVE MUSIC AND THE LIVELY BAFF PARADE TO THE FAMOUS CRUZ THE COOS WITH NEARLY 500 VINTAGE CARS, AND THE SPIRITED PREFONTAINE MEMORIAL RUN—THERE’S SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE.

New survey asks Oregonians how they want transportation dollars spent

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The group tasked with developing recommendations on how to maintain Oregon’s transportation system wants to hear from Oregonians about what they think the state’s transportation priorities should be in a new survey.

See the link to the survey with this story online at [cgsentinel.com](#).

The Oregon Department of Transportation is facing a \$200 million budget shortfall in the 2027-29 budget cycle. The gap marks the fifth budget cycle in a row where the agency will have to cut services and staff unless the Oregon Legislature finds a way to provide

additional revenue. The agency’s budget shortfall stems from the rising cost of materials and labor, as well as flattening gas tax revenue as more people drive fuel-efficient and electric vehicles.

After spearheading several unsuccessful attempts at finding new revenue for the state’s massive transportation agency, Gov. Tina Kotek convened 12 transportation and business experts to participate in a workgroup to help come up with solutions to the agency’s budget gap. The group has until the end of the year to deliver funding recommendations to Kotek, though lawmakers asked to receive recommendations earlier.

The survey asks Oregonians their top six transportation priorities, how they think the agency should spend its limited funding and what reductions would impact them the most.

Oregonians have until 6 p.m. Sept. 10 to complete the survey. Oregonians can also send their feedback to the workgroup’s email at rebuildingtransportation@odot.oregon.gov.

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Aerial view of the Interstate 5 bridge connecting Portland and Vancouver. Members of a workgroup meant come up with sustainable funding for the Oregon Department of Transportation said that among their greatest challenges is overall negative public perceptions of the agency.

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Kotek spoke more about public safety, environmental concerns (except for wildfires, which Drazan simply said should be prevented so people could “get our woods working again”).

In her review of Kotak’s term, Drazan appeared to bear down on the governor’s case four years ago that she would be a tough and effective administrator, suggesting she has not been. The headlines on the Republican’s issues page

says, “Oregon deserves better. Christine Drazan will deliver.”

Drazan devoted a major issue section to this theme: “Root out fraud and corruption. Fire ineffective agency heads. Issue a moratorium on new rules and regulations. Eliminate three rules and regulations for any new one. Undo Tina Kotek’s legacy by tearing up her executive orders. ... Veto special interest giveaways, special interest and pork projects.”

Drazan’s website, however, offers few specifics to go with the rhetoric. Maybe

she could document fraud, waste, inefficiency and so on, but she hasn’t brought the receipts yet.

Oddly missing from both candidate’s major specific talking points: Transportation funding, on which the two clashed repeatedly in the last couple of years, and in which voters strongly rejected a Kotek-signed plan. Maybe that’s coming later.

Let’s pull back. From a campaign perspective, what do these messages tell Oregon voters?

Both contenders are doing what you might reasonably expect of them. Kotek is making the case that her administration has been active and productive on key issues, and cites programs, funding and legislation to support that. Drazan characterizes the term as ineffective and incompetent, and proposes mainly time-tested Republican answers (lower taxes, less regulation) in response.

She would, of course, have to deal with an (almost certainly) Democratic legislature. Of course, the

popularity (ahem) of the Legislature isn’t something Kotek has emphasized, either.

That brings us to an unknown: how Oregonians perceive these arguments. The answer seems likely to be a jumble, since Kotek’s polling popularity has not been high (raising the question of how well her message will sell), but Republican policies haven’t been scoring well at least in Oregon either.

The decisive outlying factor could be summed up in one word: Trump.

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or in the hardest cases, abate them.

The council unanimously approved Reso-

lution 26-28 to establish the fee schedule, and notices will likely be rolling out in the coming weeks. Time will tell whether the policy is a strong enough incentive to help expediate urban

renewal on a significant scale.

As head of the department that enforces compliance, Coos Bay Police Chief Chris Chapanar was in lock step with the council.

“We are setting it up from the start so we can track it very well, we can provide these reports back to you guys, and we can monitor and gauge,” said Chief Chapanar. “We’ve also reached out

to other cities and took a look at what they’re doing and tried to figure out what will work best for our community. I really think we’re at a good starting point. And there are different angles that a

code compliance officer can work to elevate fines if we need to, and also provide reasonable discretion to enforcement too.”

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