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Volunteers pay off big for Bay Area Hospital

By DAVID RUPKALVIS
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The COVID-19 pandemic took a toll on Bay Area Hospital in many ways, but one many might not realize is the pandemic forced the Bay Area Hospital Auxiliary to go dark.

Made up completely of volunteers, the auxiliary plays a key role in how the hospital works. In addition to running the hospital's gift shop, auxiliary volunteers staff desks at the front entrance, the emergency room and family surgery. Those volunteers work nonstop to share information, offer a helping hand and often just listen to concerns of patients and their loved ones.

The auxiliary was allowed to start up again recently, but when they did, there was a big hole. Many of the men and women



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Bay Area Hospital Auxiliary volunteers, from left, Virginia Stackpole, David Rudisill, Cathy Hall and Sharon Swartling have spent years serving the staff and patients at the hospital and are happy to be back at work.

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DeFazio: Legislative accomplishments played role in decision to retire

By DAVID RUPKALVIS
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Congressman Peter DeFazio said recent accomplishments on Capital Hill helped him decide it was time to retire.

During a press conference after he announced he would not run for another term, DeFazio said in the last year or two, he has been able to accomplish several long-term goals. That, along with new boundaries of the Fourth Congressional District that make it easier for Democrats to win, helped him decide to step aside.

"The last year-and-a-half has been a whirlwind, and I've gotten a lot of long-awaited goals done," DeFazio said. "Just in the last year, I've gotten the Harbor Maintenance tax freed up, so we're not going to have to beg to get our ports dredged and our jetties repaired.

"The next big thing I've always wanted to accomplish was a major investment in America's crumbling infrastructure. I started on this quest in the first term of the Obama

administration, and it culminated this year. Not everything I wanted was in the bill, not even as much as I wanted, but it will be the single largest investment in infrastructure, and Oregon will be a big beneficiary."

Even as he listed some of his accomplishments, DeFazio said leaving Congress was not easy. He has served for 36 years, making him the longest-serving representative in Oregon history and the 65th longest-serving member of Congress in U.S. history.

"This hasn't been an easy decision," DeFazio said. "It has been an incredible honor, unanticipated, to serve the Fourth District of Oregon for 36 years."

While his legislative success played a large role in his decision, so did more personal reasons.

"There comes a time," he said. "Thirty-six years, the longest commute in the lower 48, and I need more time for myself, for my health and well-being, for my wife and family and for the things I love in Oregon. There's things I want to enjoy. There's wilderness



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Congressman Peter DeFazio, right, recently toured the Port of Coos Bay with members of the U.S. Coast Guard. DeFazio said recent legislative accomplishments, including freeing up billions of dollars for port maintenance and repairs, made him comfortable retiring after 36 years serving Oregon's Fourth Congressional District.

areas I created. I want to go hike Devil's Staircase again."

DeFazio said while he has no major health concerns, he did recently have back surgery and there have been a few scares. Ultimately, he said, it's just time to do something else.

"This is the right time for me," he said. "I'm going out on top."

Another aspect he considered was the future of his seat. For 36 years, he won election after election in a district that leaned Republican. Changes recently made by the Oregon Legislature should make it easier for another Democrat to win.

"My district is now, thanks to the Legislature, five or six points better for Democrats," DeFazio said. "I intend to endorse and work hard for the Democrat nominee."

DeFazio said he expects there to be a lot of interest in the seat, especially since it will be an open seat for the first time in 36 years. But he said he would stay out of the fray until the major parties choose candidates.

"I'm not choosing a successor," he said. "We need someone who's strong, qualified and hopefully with experience in the public sector. I think there will be a lot of folks. I expect to endorse, support and work for the Democrat nominee."

He said his desire is to have someone win the seat that will continue to deliver for Oregon, despite gridlock on Capital Hill.

"There's a lot of things I've done that will last long after me, and the new person will bring new strengths and new achievements," he said.

While DeFazio is looking forward to his final flight home to Oregon, he still has a year left to serve and many political battles left before retirement calls.

"There's a lot to do, another year to go," he said. "I'll be 75-1/2 when I finish this term, and it's time to pass the torch."



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who had volunteered for years chose not to return. "They do all kinds of things, but the biggest is information," said Dolores Miller, volunteer services coordinator for the hospital. "They know this hospital like the back of their hand. They have such a vital role in the hospital. We really utilize them and need them."

On Monday, a volunteer near the front door wheeled a patient out of the hospital after discharge before turning around and helping someone interviewing for a job find out where to go.

Virginia Stackpole is the president of the Bay Area Hospital Auxiliary, a nonprofit agency designed to help the hospital. She has volunteered for 12 years and loves giving her time to help the employees and patients.

So, Virginia, what does the auxiliary do?

“It is to help the hospital in any way,” she said.

"I believe it's to help the people who come into the hospital. We don't have to be here, so we can show some compassion," added volunteer Cathy Hall.

“We have the time,” added volunteer David Rudisill. “The nurses and staff are very busy.”

Staying busy, feeling useful and making a difference has kept many of the volunteers coming back for years. Being told to stay home for a year and a half was something none of them want to experience again.

"It was horrible," Stackpole said. "This is my home away from home. This is my family. It keeps me sane. It's a great way to meet new people. Volunteering keeps you in regular contact with others and gives you a support system. Helping people generates happiness."

For Rudisill, what he missed was pretty simple.

"I think I most missed feeling useful for 16 months," he said.

Rudisill and Sharon Swartling have one of the most stressful volunteer jobs as they man the desk in the emergency room. With COVID still a threat, they admit there is often confusion and frustration among those who come in. And that makes their presence even more valuable.

"I think it's stressful largely because visitors aren't allowed in there," Rudisill said. "Other than that, it's roughly the same."

The auxiliary volunteers are happy to be back at work, and they hope to be able to do even more for the hospital. One goal is to get enough volunteers, where the auxiliary members can help discharge patients ready to go home. But to get there would require more people willing to give a little time to help the hospital.

“We lost almost half our staff with the pandemic,” Stackpole said. “Many used the pandemic as an opportunity to retire.”

The four volunteers who met with The World said anyone who wants to give back a little is welcome to join their group. The only requirement is to have a willing heart and the ability to donate four hours a week to the auxiliary.

“Serving the community, that was my No. 1 goal,” Swartling said. “I love people and I wanted a position where I could interact with people a lot.”

The biggest benefit for volunteers is simply being helpful. Many people who come to the information desks are patients in need or loved one of patients who need information and often someone to listen.

"I like to just help and to be able to help members of the community," Hall said. "It gives me a lot of joy. I worked from home for 40 years and to be able to get out is great. I get to know a lot of people by name. I see the same people every



Photo by David Rupkalvis/The World

Virginia Stackpole, president of the Bay Area Hospital Auxiliary, works at the information booth near the front entrance of the hospital.

week."

While helping is key, there are other benefits for volunteers. The hospital offers free lunch every shift, TB testing, free vaccines, discounts at the gift shop, access to the hospital's gym, inclusion in social functions, and the best for many, reserved parking.

But more than anything, the volunteers have found new friends, other volunteers with similar interests who have improved their lives.

“There are a lot of widows here,” Stackpole said. “They have lost their spouses and are looking to improve their lives and

stay useful. This is where they come and make friends. We are a family.”

Anyone who is interested in volunteering with the Bay Area Hospital Auxiliary can apply on the Bay Area Hospital website or can ask for paper applications at the main entrance to the hospital.

Oregon State Police detectives seeking public assistance in shooting death on Highway 38 in Douglas County

On Tuesday November 30 at approximately 1:30 p.m., Oregon State Troopers and Douglas County Sheriff's deputies responded to a medical assistance call on Interstate 5 near milepost 153. Officers learned a female had been struck by a bullet while driving on Highway 38, west of Drain.

The male victim, Larry Eugene Mell, 72, of Cottage Grove, was transported to Mercy Hospital in Roseburg, then transported by air ambulance to Riverbend Hospital in Springfield.

In the early morning hours of Wednesday, December 1, investigators learned Mell, did not survive his injury. The Douglas County Major Crimes Team was activated to assist in the investigation.

The Douglas County Major Crimes Team is comprised of members from the Douglas County

District Attorney's Office, the Oregon State Police, the Douglas County Sheriff's Office and the Roseburg Police Department.

The area between Putnam Valley Road and Roaring Camp Lane on Highway 38 is where investigators believe the victims red, 2003 Ram 2500 4-door pickup with a black ladder rack was struck by gunfire.

Detectives don't believe there is an ongoing threat to the community at this time and are looking for any additional witnesses or information that can help with the investigation.

Investigators are asking anyone who was recreating in the area on Tuesday, November 30, or has specific information that might be helpful to call the Oregon State Police at 1-800-442-2068 or *OSP (*677).

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Guest Opinion

Is the American Dream fading in the West?

By BENJAMIN WADDELL

I recently spent two days with a Mexican national named Alfredo because his experience and many of his surprising opinions seemed widely shared: America, he’s concluded, isn’t worth the struggle.

“The last time I crossed into the U.S., we had to walk for seven days under constant rain,” Alfredo told me. “I’m glad I never have to do that again.”

We were hiking a trail near his home in central Mexico, where rain had turned the land green, with maturing cornfields flanked by rows of beans and squash.

For years, Alfredo, 37, worked as a landscaper and also as a roofer in the American Southwest. These days, though, he stays home. “My land is full of life. I only left my country like everyone else because I had to. I was poor and back then it was a violent place.”

Alfredo lives in the state of Guanajuato, which is among the top migrant-sending states in Mexico. Now, roughly 10.9 million Mexican-born residents live in America, and the majority came from small towns like the one I was walking through.

I thought of my parents, who left Iowa and Arkansas in the 1970s to head West. In their case they were fleeing segregation, but like Alfredo, they were in search of opportunity. In 1974, they moved to Telluride, Colorado, then a busted mining town aspiring to become another Aspen. That first winter they lived in the back of a van while they remodeled an old mining shack, which they purchased for \$20,000. Neither had a college education, but in those days a degree wasn’t required to aspire to a middle-class life.

My father worked construction and my mom waited tables. Money was tight, but the first ski lift had just gone in, and the future looked promising. These days, both continue to work, but they are financially stable in large part because of the equity in a house they owned decades ago.

Today, opportunities in the West are harder to come by. My childhood home in Telluride, although no longer in the family, recently appraised for just over \$5 million, representing a 24,900% increase since my parents first purchased it. Wages, in turn, have been stuck in neutral for decades. And while wandering hippies may still show up in vans, few are



BENJAMIN WADDELL

able to purchase property of their own unless they’re packing a trust fund. As the middle-class fades away, what’s left seems to narrow down to property owners and workers.

If he’d been born a few decades earlier, Alfredo said, he might have tried to stay in the United States. “But all I did in the U.S. was work from sunup to sundown, and for what? At least here I have my home and my cornfields, I get to see my family every day, and I’m connected to the land.”

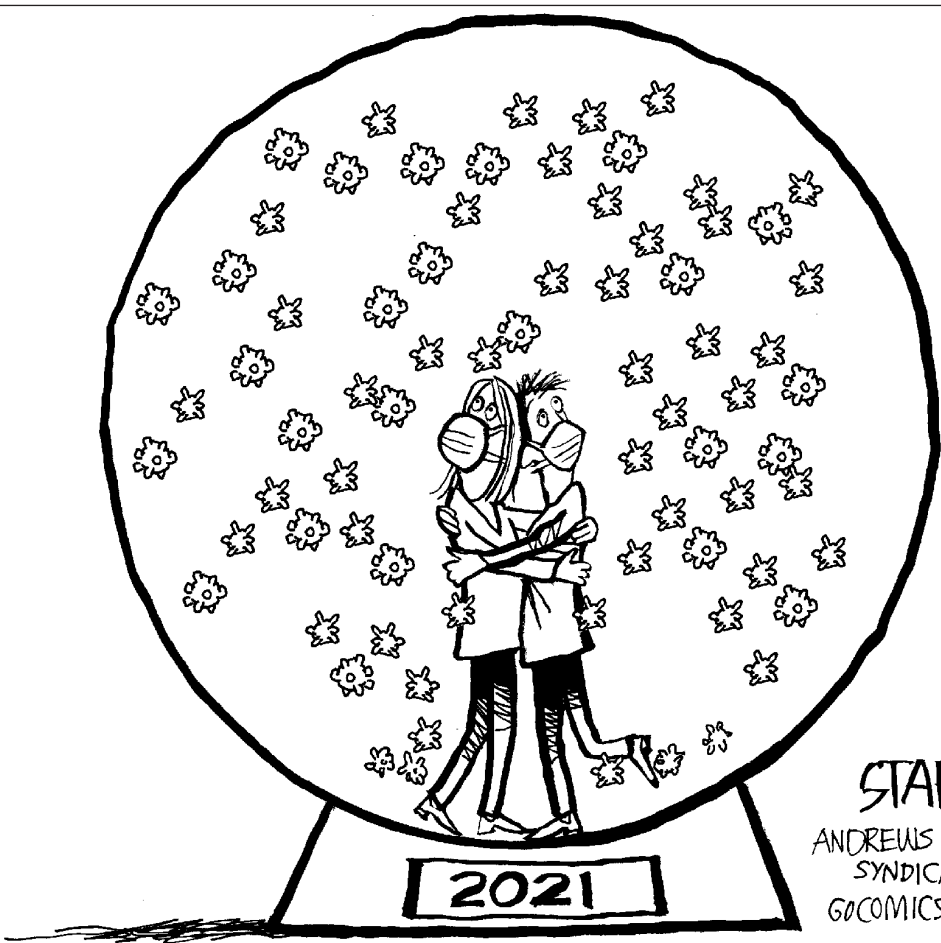
Alfredo’s not alone. Today, more migrants are returning to Mexico than are leaving. The outflow back to Mexico is affecting Western states particularly hard, because most of the Mexicans who do migrate to this country are settling in southern states like Arkansas, North Carolina and Georgia. Similar trends are evident within smaller sending countries like El Salvador, Haiti, Honduras and Guatemala.

According to my research, the migrants returning to Mexico tend to leave states such as Arizona, California, Colorado and Texas. These demographic shifts have contributed to an acute labor shortage.

For generations, Mexican migrants subsidized the expansion of the West by providing cheap workers. Men like Alfredo worked alongside newcomers like my parents, and together, they helped build now-legendary towns like Telluride. Now, just as Mexican migration rates reverse, the cost of construction, housing, and basic services in the West are all on the rise.

As we settled into the trail toward Alfredo’s hometown of San Martin de Terreros, I asked Alfredo if he planned to come back to the U.S. one day. “No, señor,” he responded without hesitation. “I have everything I need right here.”

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Letters to the Editor

Don't change our neighborhoods

On December 3, you posted an article regarding proposed limitations on vacation rentals. Unfortunately, it included a rather critical error. That is, it said “new rules would include limiting the number of short term rentals by demanding they be at least 300 yards or the length of three football fields apart.”

I imagine the residential community could live pretty easily with that restriction. However, what the planning commission proposed was very different. It said “Establishment of a vacation rental within 300 feet of an existing vacation rental shall not be permitted.” That is quite a different restriction for an existing residential community. The issue of not enough motel space in this town, if that is an issue, should not be resolved by radically changing the zoning of our residential neighborhoods.

Anne Bellomy
Coos Bay

Economy for the rich

Noticing the rosy accolades about the job market in the commercial media, one would think the economy is on cloud nine and workers are in hog heaven. “The job market added a stunning 531,000 jobs last

month. The unemployment rate ticked down to 4.6%-a new pandemic-era low;” and “Employment gains were particularly strong in restaurants and bars, which added nearly a hundred and twenty thousand jobs.”

These are just a couple of examples of the ecstatic media pronouncements of workers’ deliverance from the COVID doldrums. We all should be popping the champagne corks.

Yet, as many might suspect, reality exists in a different universe. First, restaurants and bars are among the lowest paid professions, nowhere near what manufacturing used to pay before millions of those jobs were shipped to China and Mexico under various bipartisan trade agreements since 1994.

Another job market reality not presented by the media is the true state of “unemployment.” The statistic almost exclusively quoted in the media is the U-3 unemployment rate that now stands at a seemingly respectable 4.6%. But this measure paints a distorted picture. It excludes discouraged job seekers who stopped looking in the past four weeks and part-time workers who want full time work. It also excludes those toiling at a below subsistence wage. Another measure, U-6, which includes the first two groups, is almost

never reported. Adding workers who don’t earn a living wage, pegged at \$20,000, to U-6, the real un-and-under-employment rate was 25.1% in September.

These more descriptive figures might give one a clue why 71% of Americans think the economy is moving in the wrong direction according to an October NBC poll.

As the economy is shredding the American Dream, the Democratic-controlled Congress has wasted much of the year failing to pass legislation that might improve the economic situation for most workers. Obstructionists on both sides of the aisle spend more time trashing proposals that could actually help people, instead blaming “minorities,” “immigrants” and “big government” for the economic pain their constituents may be feeling. But hey, be happy. The economy’s booming for millionaires and billionaires....ain’t it?

Ken Bonetti
North Bend

Why clear cut the land?

While driving the old Wagon Road last week, I noticed most of the timber is gone. Everywhere we looked,

nothing but clear-cut land. Wagon Road has always been a scenic drive over to Roseburg from Myrtle Point. Its a shame they have to ruin the looks of it by logging so close to the roads. We noticed the East Fork of the Coquille is not running near normal anymore probably because of the deforestation above in the headwaters.

John Anderson
Myrtle Point

Let's start a group

I would like to join a group comprised of people like Sharon Ramirez and Lionel Youst (neither of them known to me) to go as a group to school board meetings, city council, county commissioner meetings etc just to sit quietly and show support in a civil manner to our elected officials as well as to meet up as a group to shop or eat a meal to show support to the local businesses when one of the group, or a business, notifies us of a band of “play soldiers” lurking nearby.

My phone number is listed in the phone book. Is there a group or people wanting to start a group of civil minded people whose only intent is to show support?

Charlotte Koepke
Coos Bay

Guest Opinion

The true spirit of the holidays

By BRYAN GOLDEN

Among other things, the holidays are a time of giving and receiving gifts. The question most often asked of people is, "what did you get?" Much less frequently asked is, "what did you give?"

Invariably, the inquiries concern material gifts. Purchasing a gift can certainly be thoughtful and a wonderful gesture, especially when it's backed up by your actions.

However, the most valuable presents are those that aren't sold in stores. When you give your love, your time, help someone in need, aid another in solving a problem or overcoming an obstacle, you give something priceless.

The true spirit of the holidays is giving. When you give, you receive.

You can get anything in life you want by helping enough others get what they want.

But only if you give without expecting anything in return. The impact of giving isn't limited to just the holiday season, it's something that has value all year.

The power of giving is often underestimated. When you give unconditionally, you don't just impact the recipient; you start a chain reaction. By brightening the

life of one person you also affect all those who they then touch.

No gesture of giving or kindness is too small.

Holding the door open at a store, helping someone carry groceries to their car, letting another car in front of you, saying please and thank you, and saying hello to a stranger you pass on the sidewalk, are some of the many things you can do daily.

For family and friends, your time is one of the most precious gifts you can offer. Are you there for others when they need you?

Do you offer a hand without being asked? Do you help out when asked?

Too often, people get caught up in their own desires, thus losing sight of the needs of others. A person who tries to get through life by looking out for himself or herself first is invariably frustrated. Often this person views life as a competition to determine who can accumulate more.

On the other hand, those who are concerned for the wellbeing of others are happier, more content, and more satisfied. By giving without expecting, they in turn receive the things they need.

Giving is a simple concept that works every time it is applied. There will be

people who don't appreciate what you do, but it doesn't matter. You are giving without anticipating anything in return. Besides, there will be many more who are thankful for your efforts.

If you don't treat others well, buying a gift won't compensate for your behavior.

The recipient might like what you give them but it won't make up for your actions. You can't bribe someone to forgive the way you treat them with a present.

The best gift you can receive is the joy of making someone else happy. Being unselfish is a wonderful way to live. When you give with no ulterior motives, your actions are seen as genuine.

Should you expect

something in return, your behavior is always suspect. We all know people who do nice things only when they want something in return.

Make giving a daily routine. Don't start and end with the holiday season. Every day is a good day to do something nice.

When people feel good due to your actions, you can't help but feel happy yourself. And that is priceless.

The most significant action you can take is having a positive impact on the lives of others.

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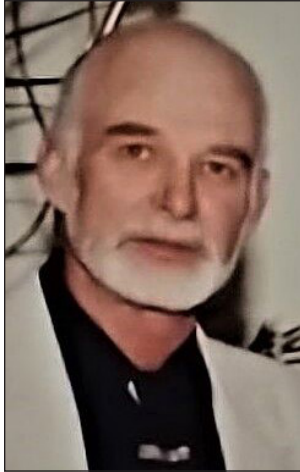
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Robert Stanley Tenney was born October 1, 1937 in Mason City, Iowa, the son of William and Myrtle Tenney.

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Bob moved to California with his parents and two older brothers when he was a young boy. He attended school and grew up in Torrance, California. Enlisting to serve in the Korean War, Bob became a gunner on the cruiser ships for the Navy.

After the war, Bob was stationed in Bremerton, Washington where he finished his service dismantling ships for the Navy. He returned to California after his service ended and soon caught the attention of the young lady across the street, Mary Satterlee. They were married in August of 1959 and started their lives together in Bakersfield, California.

Determined to create a life for his family, he moved to Libya where he worked for several years in the oil industry. Returning home to the United States in 1972, they settled in Spokane, Washington with their two young boys, Craig and Brian. In 1976, Bob hit the road seeking a business opportunity. He soon stumbled across the West Coast Game Park Safari (formerly the Deer Park). Bob and Mary purchased the park and worked side by side for over 30 years, expanding the business to more than 75 different species and bringing a unique gift to visitors. They shared

an immense love and devotion to the animals and each other. Traveling to other countries to experience diversified cultures was something he greatly enjoyed. His hobbies also included: fishing, duck hunting and spending time with friends and family. Admired and loved by many, Bob will be greatly missed.

He is survived by his son, Brian Tenney of Bandon; grandchildren, Shada Tenney of Bandon, Jaidyn Tenney of Coquille, C.J, Brian and Alexis Tenney of Las Vegas; daughter in law, Karin Tenney of Las Vegas; special friend, Cindy Decker of Myrtle Point. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Tenney; his son, Craig Tenney; his brothers, Del and Jerry Tenney; and his parents.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Condolences may be sent to: West Coast Game Park Safari c/o Brian Tenney, 46914 Hwy 101 S. Bandon, Or. 97411.

Joyce (Winterscheid) Herman Newhouse

June 13, 1933 - December 3, 2021



Joyce (Winterscheid) Herman Newhouse, age 88, of Big Canoe, Georgia passed away on December 3, 2021. She was born on June 13, 1933 to Claude and Isal Winterscheid in Soda Springs, Idaho. She spent her early years in Idaho, Washington and Oregon.

She graduated from Parkrose High School in Portland. She then went on to attend Lewis and Clark Community College.

She married Steven E. Herman in 1955 and they had one daughter, Claudia. They spent their years living in many places along the Oregon Coast finally settling in Coos Bay, Oregon in 1969 and stayed in the

area until early 1991 when Steve passed away. Joyce spent many years working for US bank. They were long time members of the Coos Bay Yacht Club enjoying sailing and gaining many close friends through their membership.

After the passing of her first husband she reconnected with a long lost friend, Verne "Bud" Newhouse, from her childhood who had also recently lost his spouse. This was the beginning of a new life for Joyce. She joined him in Georgia, and they soon married. This new chapter brought her much joy. She was delighted to have gained five grown children and eventually many grand and great grandchildren. She and Bud spent time traveling to new places and seeing new things. They shared a love of the outdoors.

Joyce is survived by her husband of thirty years, Dr. Verne Newhouse of Big Canoe; daughter and son-in-law, Claudia and Jim Moore of North Bend, Oregon; son and daughter-in-law, Mike and Kim Newhouse of Brunswick, Georgia; son and daughter-in-law,

Dan and Lisa Newhouse of Jefferson, Georgia; son and daughter-in-law, Bruce and Carolyn Newhouse of Stone Mountain, Georgia; daughter, Lauri Gray of Calhoun, Georgia; and son, David Newhouse of Lawrenceville, Georgia; 14 grandchildren; and 17 great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by first husband, Steven Herman and brother, Dr. Loren Winterscheid.

Funeral services were held 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 8, 2021 in the Chapel of Roper Funeral Home in Jasper, Georgia with Mark Baskin officiating. Interment was Thursday, December 9, 2021 in Arlington Memorial Park, Atlanta, Georgia.

The family received friends at Roper Funeral Home, Wednesday, December 8, 2021 from 2:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests donations to Susan G Kohnen for the Cure or Georgia Mountains Hospice in Jasper, Georgia.

Arrangements are entrusted to the Staff of Roper Funeral Home and Crematory.

Patricia Grace Buckley

October 17, 1941 - November 17, 2021



Patricia Grace Buckley (Pat Lee) went home to be with Jesus on November 17, 2021. She was living at Bel Aire Senior Living in American Fork, Utah, at the time. Patricia was born in Lodi, Ohio, to Robert and Elveretta Burnett on October 17, 1941. She was exactly 80 years and one month old when she went to heaven. She passed away from Alzheimer's disease. She was a 1963 graduate of Dana College

in Blair, Nebraska. In the mid 1980's, Patricia attended Southern Oregon State College in Ashland to obtain her basic endorsement in special education. In the early 1990's she attended Western Oregon State College in Monmouth to get her standard endorsement.

In 1987 she moved to Coos Bay to teach for the Coos County Educational Service District. She was an elementary resource teacher for 6 years and a consultant for 8 years. She was highly respected by teachers and administrators in the area. She retired in 2002. On November 21, 2009, Patricia remarried her first husband, Jack Buckley, after her second husband, Ron Lee, passed away in 2004. In 2011, she and Jack moved to Lehi, Utah.

Patricia enjoyed making quilts. She hung many in her home changing them

as the seasons and holidays changed. She also enjoyed trailer or motorhome camping. No sleeping on the ground for her. She especially liked camping near water. She often camped at Osprey Point Resort in Lakeside. Another favorite spot was at Yachats so she could watch the waves. Patricia traveled to Botswana twice to visit her oldest son who is a missionary there.

Patricia was preceded in death by her parents, a dear aunt, and her second husband. She is survived by her husband, Jack; 2 sons and their wives; a daughter and her husband; and 7 grandchildren whom she adored.

Although her death saddens us, we know she is rejoicing with Jesus in heaven. Her greatest desire would be for everyone to take the steps necessary to join her in heaven.

Human Rights Advocates preparing for homeless memorial ceremony

The Human Rights Advocates of Coos County needs donations for the 12th annual Homeless Persons' Memorial, remembering people who have died unhoused in Coos County this year.

Collaborating with businesses and social service agencies, gatherings will be held Tuesday, Dec. 21, in five locations: Lakeside, the Nancy Devereux Center (11:30 a.m.), College Park Church (3:30 p.m.), Electric Hospital South parking lot (3 p.m.) and the Charleston Visitor Center (3:30 p.m.).

In addition to a candle lighting ceremony at each

location, the agency will provide a meal, offer essential items to those who need them and share literature about how to connect with services.

Donations of toiletries, socks, gloves, hats and

snacks to give away are welcome. To donate, visit Human Rights Advocates of Coos County on Facebook, call or text 541-217-4095 or email humanrightsadvocatessc@gmail.com.

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DEAR ABBY
By Abigail Van Buren

LOVE INTEREST RAISES EYEBROW AT MAN'S SHIFTS IN BEHAVIOR

DEAR ABBY: A few months ago, I started dating a widower. He is a really great guy, and he seems perfect for me. I'm divorced, and my adult children live in other states. We have many shared interests and have a lot of fun together.

I noticed early on that he is very emotional, but occasionally, he seems to have manic episodes where he works himself nearly to death, doesn't eat or sleep much and then abruptly leaves. When we talk afterward, he picks on me for really trivial -- or untrue -- things. I know bipolar disorder isn't simple to diagnose, and I don't think this issue has ever come up with him. I just wonder if this relationship has a chance.

His first marriage ended in divorce, and his children want nothing to do with him. Evidently, his second marriage was good, but she died last year. His youngest son is in college. My self-esteem isn't tied to this. I enjoy his company 95% of the time, and I think I love him. I don't plan to ever remarry and neither does he. I don't think he is dangerous, but I am a no-drama type, so I'm wondering if I should let him go, even though it would be hard to do. -- SEEING SIGNS IN MICHIGAN

DEAR SEEING SIGNS: If what you have written is accurate, you have seen this man only during his "highs" -- but not during his lows. Because bipolar illness can be treated, IF the person is willing to admit they "may" have a problem, it would be wise to discuss this with him when he's in a normal phase and suggest that he be screened. If he refuses, then might be the time to rationally (rather than emotionally) decide whether to let him go.

DEAR ABBY: I have two beautiful daughters from a previous marriage. My

ex and I get along well (better as friends than partners) and do things as often as possible with the girls, which includes travel. We usually take one to two trips a year. The girls love it, and so do we.

I am now remarried. My wife has a hard time with the traveling, and we have had many fights about it. She would like both families to travel together, but my girls don't want that. My ex's mom has just booked a trip to Hawaii and is willing to pay for me to go. My wife said absolutely not because Hawaii is such a paradise.

I'm torn because these trips are the only real quality time I have with the girls. There is absolutely nothing going on between my ex and me. The girls would rather travel with their mom than anyone else. What should I do? -- PACKED AND READY

DEAR PACKED: How long have you been remarried? And how old are your girls? Although they may enjoy the fantasy of their parents being a happy family, that is all it is -- a fantasy.

It's wonderful that you and your ex-wife enjoy an amicable relationship, but the time has come for you to stand up for the woman to whom you are presently married. She should have been welcomed on those trips right after the two of you made it official, and you should have made that clear. I don't blame your wife for being upset at this point. I would be, too. You should encourage your wife to come, too -- and devote some time to being with her.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

DEATH NOTICES

Twana Jo Morgan, 87, of Coos Bay died November 27, 2021 in Coos Bay. Cremation rites have been held at Ocean View Memory Gardens Crematory, Coos Bay under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel. 541-267-3131. www.coosbayareafunerals.com

Virginia Vivian Wayland, 87, of Cottage Grove, Oregon died November 21, 2021. Arrangements in the care of Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel and Crematorium in Cottage Grove.

Sean Michael Gutierrez, 39, of Bandon, died December 3, 2021 in Portland. Arrangements are under the direction of Amling Schroeder Funeral Service, Bandon.

Rebecca Susan Bytof, 64, of Coos Bay, passed away November 30, 2021

in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 www.coosbayareafunerals.com

Ray Lewis DeHart, 81, of Coos Bay, passed away November 30, 2021 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 www.coosbayareafunerals.com

Mary Darlene Poet, 81, of Coos Bay, passed away November 26, 2021 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 www.coosbayareafunerals.com

Robert A. Nelson, 96,

of Lakeside, passed away on December 2, 2021 in Lakeside. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440, www.coosbayareafunerals.com.

Maxine Mendonsa, 86, of Bandon, died December 4, 2021 in Bandon. Arrangements are under the direction of Amling Schroeder Funeral Service, Bandon.

Steven W. Krajewski Sr., 54, of North Bend, passed away on December 3, 2021 in North Bend. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, www.coosbayareafunerals.com, 541-756-0440.

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Southern Coos Hospital to allow visitors

BANDON – Visitors are welcome once again at Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center. “After much deliberation, it has been decided that it would be in the best interest of our community and our patients to relax our visitation practices,” said Chief Nursing Officer Cori Valet.

For the safety of patients and staff, visitors have not been allowed at SCHHC since the COVID-19 pandemic began, with certain exceptions.

As of Dec. 1, patient visitation is once again permitted.

The updated hospital visitation policy stipulates that visiting hours will be from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. daily.

One visitor at a time will be allowed per patient, with a maximum of three visitors per day, per patient.

In addition, the Hospital Gift Shop is now open to the public. One visitor at a time will be allowed in the Gift Shop.

All visitors must pass a health screening at the entrance to the building and must wear a mask at all times.

“Please keep in mind that there may still be individual situations where exceptions may apply,” Valet said. “For example, a child requiring the care of a parent or guardian, or a patient at end-of-life may be allowed



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After being closed to visitors for months due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Southern Coos Hospital recently announced it will allow visitors in the hospital, with patients limited to one visitor at a time.

more visitors. Please consult the charge nurse on the Med-Surg

unit for any questions regarding special visitation circumstances.”

Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center is located at 900

11th St. SE in Bandon. For more information, call 541-347-2426.

Art by the Sea to host reception

Art by the Sea Gallery and Studio invites you to attend a reception on Saturday, December 11, from 2-4 p.m. to view the creations of Featured Member Artist Sunny Kudo who does amazing gourd work and painted wood panels. Kudo will be present to discuss her artistry with all those interested.

The gallery is pleased to announce the winner of The People’s Choice Award for the recent community show, “Crazy 4 Color,” William Storm. Storm will be a featured artist during the 2022 season of exhibits.

Peruse the holiday art and gifts tables with a variety of items \$40 and under and enjoy the company of the gallery’s various member artists throughout the day. Guests may also partake of grab and go snacks and complimentary wine.

Please note that winter hours are in effect and the gallery hours are now 10 a.m.-4 p.m. daily, but closed for Christmas and New Year’s Day.

If you can’t make the reception, check out their website at www.artbytheseagallery.com for the latest gallery happenings or catch us them Facebook and Instagram.

Masks are currently required for entry to the gallery per Oregon State mandate.

Art by the Sea Gallery and Studio is located at 145 Fillmore Ave., S.E., Old Town Bandon.



Above, Sunny Kudo is the featured member at Art by the Sea Gallery and Studio in December. Left, William Storm will have his art on display at Art by the Sea Gallery and Studio. Below, a painting by William Storm.

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A special mailbox has been set up at the main entrance to Southern Coos Hospital to allow children to drop off letters to Santa. The hospital will ensure the letters are delivered to the North Pole, and children who leave a name and a return address to get a reply from Santa’s elves.

Deliver letters for Santa to Southern Coos Hospital’s special mailbox

Deliver your child’s letter to Santa to a special mailbox at the front entrance of Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center, located at 900 11th St. SE. No postage required.

The front entrance is open from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Every letter will be delivered

directly to the North Pole, where Santa will personally answer each one.

Don’t forget to include your child’s name and address so Santa’s Elves can make sure his letters are delivered correctly.

Happy Holidays from everyone at Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center.

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Bandon swimming pool

"Tentative plans included roping off swimming areas for children and adults, clearing of underbrush and placement of picnic tables, and erection of bath houses. Methods of barring

City Manager Dan Chandler announced last week that he had hired a new police chief to replace



Larry and I have been close friends for many years, a bond which formed while I was a reporter at Western World, and he had strong support from me and several other members of the council, but he, like the council, understood that by the City Charter, this decision lay with the city manager.

And I am sure we will get to know the new chief very soon as we welcome him to his new position.

For more information about the parade or other events, call Dana Nichols



I have been in close contact with ODOT in recent weeks concerning the new pedestrian crossing at Ninth Street. This week I received a press release that indicated that ODOT is preparing to break ground on the long-awaited crossing

"The Ninth Street crossing was added to a larger pedestrian safety project that involves replacing more than a hundred ADA sidewalk ramps in Bandon, Camas Valley and Winston.

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A former Bandon chiropractor Michael Currie, 67, of Melton Road was arrested last week by area law enforcement on several charges including domestic menacing, tampering with a witness and violating a release agreement. A press release said he was lodged in the Coos County Jail.

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North Bend girls rally past Marshfield, 46-30

By JOHN GUNTHER
For The World

NORTH BEND — Basketball is a game of runs. That was the message North Bend assistant girls basketball coach Knute Matthews told the team before Tuesday's rivalry game against visiting Marshfield.

So the Bulldogs didn't panic when Marshfield jumped out to an early lead in their rivalry game Tuesday.

North Bend used a flurry of 3-pointers to catch up, bridging the first and second quarters with a 16-0 run, and went on to beat the Pirates 46-30.

"It was 11-2 and we looked nervous," North Bend coach Mike Forrester said. "Then we hit some 3s. I thought we turned a bad six minutes into a pretty good minute and a half."

Adrianna Frank got North Bend going with a shot from long range and then Nevaeh Edera hit two more. Another basket by Frank, this one inside, gave North Bend a 13-11 lead through one quarter and Edera hit another 3 and Trinity Barker scored as the Bulldogs had the first five points of the second quarter.

Marshfield's Kate Miles finally broke the string with a blocked shot and a drive down the court, where she was fouled and hit two free throws.

North Bend stretched its lead to 10 points at halftime before one more big Marshfield run — eight straight points to start the third quarter.

Barker stopped that run with a rebound basket and added another and North Bend was in control the rest of the way.

Barker finished with 14 points, while Edera had 13 and Frank 11.

"Nevaeh hit a bunch of 3s to give us some breathing room," Forrester said. The sophomore also had a nifty shot under the basket as she avoided Marshfield's posts for two more points.

While Barker, Edera and Frank provided the scoring punch, Forrester credited North Bend's other two starters with also playing big roles.

Kylee Lambert hit all six of her free throws while battling Marshfield's taller posts inside.

"She's getting some boards and doing a lot of the little things for us," Forrester said.

He added the same for Keia Morris, who had a role in containing Marshfield's Miles in the second half.

Miles and Charlie Dea led the Pirates with eight points each in their season opener.

Marshfield coach Doug Miles said he was pleased with his team's effort for the first game out, especially considering its youth.



North Bend's Trinity Barker races up the court as Marshfield's Kate Miles keeps pace during Tuesday's game. North Bend overcame an early deficit to win the game, 46-30.

Dea, one of Marshfield's three seniors, and juniors Kate Miles and Rylinn Clark are the most experienced players back from last year. Senior Hannah Folau also is back, but post players Paige Macduff, a sophomore, and freshman Ava Ainsworth, as well as fellow freshman Tatum Montiel and sophomore Gracie Peach all are new to the varsity team.

"We've got a long ways to go," Doug Miles said. "We'll get there."

He noted that Marshfield didn't block out at times and lost track of North Bend's shooters at others.

"They're very disciplined offensively," he said of the Bulldogs.

The Marshfield coach also said the Pirates aren't in great basketball shape since they have been trying to put in schemes in his first season after longtime coach Bruce Bryant retired following the 2021 season.

"I think we could be a pretty good team," he said.

"By midseason, we could be pretty tough."

While Marshfield was playing its first game, North Bend was playing its fourth in five nights — all victories.

The Bulldogs topped Roseburg and Creswell on Friday and Saturday and beat Siuslaw 46-14 on Monday.

Barker had 12 points in that win and Lambert and Tessa Medina had seven each.

Forrester was pleased

with how the Bulldogs responded Tuesday after their slow start against the Pirates.

"I'm proud of our girls," he said. "They did a great job and didn't quit."

North Bend now gets a little break until the South Coast Les Schwab Tournament at Marshfield, which starts Thursday.

The Pirates, meanwhile, are at Brookings-Harbor on Tuesday before facing Hidden Valley in Marshfield's tournament.



Marshfield's Mason Ainsworth, right, applies tight pressure to North Bend's Paolo Flores during the Pirates' win Tuesday.

Marshfield boys cruise past North Bend

By JOHN GUNTHER
For The World

NORTH BEND — Marshfield's boys basketball team won the Class 4A showcase tournament at the end of the short spring season in June and returned much of the offensive firepower from the lineup.

The Pirates have added an element of pressure defense as they seek the Class 4A state title this season.

Marshfield used its athleticism to harass host North Bend into turnovers and to capitalize on second-chance opportunities with its height to run away from the host Bulldogs 79-37 on Tuesday night.

"The guys played really hard," Marshfield coach Casey McCord said, adding that was the goal for the game.

"We asked that they were the first to the floor and the first after loose balls," he said.

Marshfield got many of those loose balls and bunch of offensive rebounds with their lineup, which was taller than the Bulldogs pretty much across the board, including 6-foot-7-inch post player Pierce

Davidson, 6-8 wing Monty Swinson, 6-3 Maddux Mateski and Dom Montiel and 6-2 Mason Ainsworth.

That height, plus the speed and a solid bench enabled McCord to utilize pressure defense most of the night.

"We've definitely got a lot of depth this year," he said. "We're definitely versatile."

The Bulldogs were able to stay close to the Pirates for about half the first quarter, but then Marshfield started pulling away. The Pirates led 24-9 through one quarter and 50-23 at the break.

McCord got all 11 of his players — all seniors — extensive minutes as the Pirates improved to 3-1 on the young season.

Davidson and Mateski had 20 and 16 points, primarily inside, and Ainsworth hit a variety of shots to score 17 points. Montiel and Swinson combined for another 15 points.

McCord said the win was a good one coming off a valuable weekend tournament. The Pirates beat Springfield, lost to Crescent Valley and topped Class 6A Liberty in overtime in the Wilsonville

tournament.

He said the 67-64 victory over Liberty on Sunday was good because it showed the Pirates were able to rebound from a tough loss.

"We learned a lesson against Crescent Valley," he said. "We came back a scrappier, tougher club."

Ainsworth scored 31 points and Swinson and Davidson added 12 each against Liberty.

North Bend also was playing its fourth game in five nights and coach Bill Callaway lamented the lack of practice time, especially since they weren't able to handle Marshfield's press.

The Bulldogs had lost to Roseburg and Creswell before beating Siuslaw 47-35 on Monday night.

"We're not a team that's able to run up and down the court," he said, referring to Marshfield's preferred pace of play. "We've got to be in control."

"We've got to have five of us in sync, working together. That's what we saw last night (against Siuslaw)."

Too often Tuesday, the Bulldogs struggled to stay calm against the pressure.

"The margin for error is

slim," Callaway said.

Still, there were good things, including the play of senior Landon Rinderle, who led North Bend with 13 points despite picking up his fourth foul early in the second quarter. He even stood his ground and drew two charging fouls while continuing to play tough defense despite the foul trouble.

No other North Bend players scored more than five points Tuesday night, though seven others scored in the loss.

Kevin Jones, who joins Rinderle as senior leaders on the squad, had 13 points against Siuslaw, while Paolo Flores and David Roberts, a pair of sophomores, had 12 and nine, respectively. Flores hit four 3-pointers against the Vikings.

North Bend now gets that practice time Callaway is looking forward to, without any games until the start of the South Coast Les Schwab tournament at Marshfield on Thursday.

The Pirates, meanwhile, get another big early game Friday when they travel to the Salem area to face Cascade, the team they beat in the Class 4A Showcase title game in June.

Record 37 teams expected at North Bend wrestling Coast Classic

THE WORLD

North Bend's annual wrestling showcase, the Coast Classic, will have its largest field ever this weekend with 37 teams. Due to COVID, it also will have no fans.

The school made the decision to close the tournament to the public — aside from those parents helping out as assistants — out of concern for safety amid the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

"We could have decreased teams and probably got some fans in, but that would have taken away opportunities for athletes and I thought that was a bad trade-off," North Bend athletic director Mike Forrester said.

He noted the nature of the tournament, with

eight mats crammed into North Bend's gym and the bleachers pulled back against the walls does not provide much space for social distancing.

"It's just a mass conglomeration of people with no way to separate athletes from fans," Forrester said.

Several South Coast teams will be among those in the field this weekend.

Marshfield got a tune-up for the event when it hosted Henley, one of the visiting squads, for a dual Thursday night (results were not available by press time).

People can keep track of the tournament throughout the weekend by following the online wrestling site trackwrestling.com.

Pacific girls top Coquille JV, 41-29

Pacific's girls basketball team got the season off to a winning start Monday, beating Coquille's junior varsity squad 41-29.

Wiley Lang had 17 points for the Pirates, while Audrey Griffith added 10 and Courtney Phillips eight.

Callie Millett had 12 points and Haylee Fredrickson eight for the Red Devils.

Coquille's JV won the boys game 43-30.

Peyton Leep had 17 points for the Red Devils and Tucker Long led Pacific with 10.

Bouska earns all-league recognition

Marshfield's Cobin Bouska was mistakenly left off the Sky-Em League's all-league team for football when it was released by league officials.

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SUMMONS

TO: NATHEN ALPHONSE PARADIS
PETITIONERS have filed a petition for the adoption of Carson Alphonse Paradis in the above-entitled court. The court has entered an order requiring you to show cause why an order should not be entered dispensing with your consent to adoption, granting a General Judgment of Adoption, and terminating your parental rights. You must file with the Court a written Answer to the Motion for Order to Show Cause and Order within 30 days after the date on which you are served with this summons or, if service is made by publication or posting under ORCP 7 D (6), within 30 days from the date of first publication or posting which occurred on December 3, 2021. If you fail to file a written Answer to the Motion for Order to Show Cause and Order within the time provided, the Court, without further notice and in your absence, may take any action that is authorized by law, including but not limited to entering a General Judgment of Adoption of the child if the Court determines, on the date the Answer is required or on a future date, that your consent is not required and that the adoption is in the child's best interests. In your Answer, you must inform the Court and the Petitioners of your telephone number or contact telephone number and your current residence, mailing, or contact address in the same state as your home. If you file an Answer to the Motion for Order to Show Cause and Order, the court will schedule a hearing to address the Motion for Order to Show Cause and Order and, if appropriate, the Adoption Petition, order you to appear personally, and may schedule other hearings related to the petition and may order you to appear personally.
NOTICE: You have the right to be represented by an attorney. If you wish to be represented by an attorney, please retain one as soon as possible to represent you in this proceeding. If you meet the state's financial guidelines, you are entitled to have an attorney appointed for you at state expense. To request appointment of an attorney to represent you at state expense, you must contact the Coos County Circuit Court immediately. Please call (541)396-7500 for further information. You are responsible for maintaining contact with your attorney and keeping your attorney advised of your whereabouts. Dated: November 29, 2021 /s/ Amy L. Muenchrath Amy L. Muenchrath, OSB 973463 Muenchrath Law, LLC 280 N. Collier Coquille, OR 97423 (541) 396-4529 amy@muenchrathlaw.com Published: December 3, December 10, December 17 and December 24, 2021 The World & ONPA (ID:331323)

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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 December 30, 2021. 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: **Dennis Boorman** Contents of Storage Unit #18 & #61 \$1,150.30
John Peery Contents of Storage Unit #87 \$584.08
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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 **December 29, 2021 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
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Charleston, OR 97420
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CASE FILE NO. PAR 2-21: PRELIMINARY PARTITION PLAT
The City of North Bend Planning Commission will hold a remote public hearing on Monday, December 20, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 835 California Avenue to consider the possible partition of property addressed 2547 Pony Creek Road. The subject property is developed land identified as Tax Lot No. 16400 on Coos County Assessor Map No. T.25S, R.13W, Sec. 15DB. The property is located in the Residential (R-10) zone district and will be partitioned into two separate parcels.
Applicant/Owner: Michael Kiddy
Criteria: Title 17 NBCC, Subdivisions; Title 18 NBCC Zoning; Chapter 10.12 NBCC, Transportation Facilities and Improvements; Chapter 92 ORS, Subdivisions and Partitions.
Planning Commission shall make findings concerning the preliminary plat, and based on such findings it may give approval to the preliminary plat as submitted or as it may be modified, or it may deny the preliminary plat. Comments and objections may be submitted orally and in writing. Written comments must be submitted no later than the Friday prior to the scheduled public hearing. All requests to provide oral comment must be received by no later than 1:00 p.m. on the day of the public hearing. Failure of an issue to be raised in a hearing, in person, or by letter, or failure to provide statements or evidence sufficient to afford the decision maker an opportunity to respond to the issue precludes appeal to the board based on that issue. Further information may be obtained by contacting Chelsea Schnabel, City Planner at 541-756- 8535 or by visiting the Document Center on the City website at the following link: <https://www.northbendoregon.us/documents.aspx?categoryid=0&id=-21092&catid=70>. KayLee Marone City Recorder
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Matter of Establishing Fees for Services and Revising Existing Fees
Notice is hereby given that the Coos County Fair Board will hold a public hearing on December 20th at 6:00 pm at The Owen Building located at 201 N. Adams St, Coquille, OR 97423, Coquille, Oregon to consider revising existing fees for the Coos County Fairgrounds. Fees that will be considered include, but are not limited to, Building Use, Grounds Usage fees, fair gate fees, exhibitors' fees and vendor fees. This hearing is open to the public and all interested persons may appear and be heard.
Date: November 29, 2021
Aaron Leep, Fair Board Chairman
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Public Notice
Coquille Valley Hospital is taking public bids for a new 3D Mammography.
Contact Frank Garcia, CVH Materials Manager at frankg@cvhospital.org or at (541)396-1065 for complete bid specification packet. Bids are to be received in accordance with the bid specification packet no later than December 27, 2021
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Estate of Steven Dale Roe
Notice to Interested Persons (Case No.: 21PB10356)
In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Coos, Probate Department.
In the Matter of the Estate of Steven Dale Roe, Deceased.
Notice is hereby given that Tim Nay, of the Law Offices of Nay & Friedenberg LLC, has been appointed as personal representative of the above named estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them in the care of the undersigned attorney at: 6500 S. Macadam Avenue, Suite 300, Portland, OR 97239-3565 within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, or such claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceeding in the estate may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative or the attorney for the personal representative. Dated and first published December 10, 2021.
Tim Nay, Law Offices of Nay & Friedenberg LLC.
Attorney for Personal Representative
6500 S. Macadam Avenue, Suite 300 Portland, Oregon 97239-3565
Telephone: (503) 245-0894
Fax: (503) 245-1562
Email: tim@naylaw.com
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS In the Matter of the Estate of PEGGY LEE MATTHEWS, Deceased. Case No. 21PB08221
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Timothy Matthews, has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the attorney/personal representative Jacques P. DePlois, P.O. Box 3159, Coos Bay, Oregon 97420, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the court, or the attorney for the personal representative. Dated and first published December 3, 2021.
Jacques P. DePlois, Attorney for the Personal Representative
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(541) 888-6338
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SECTION 00-1113 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Notice is hereby given that sealed bids for **Myrtle Point Fire Station Addition and Seismic Upgrade** project, will be received by the City of Myrtle Point until the bid closing time of 2:00 P.M. Pacific Time, Thursday, January 13, 2022. Bids are to be submitted to the **Myrtle Point City Hall**, Attn: Darin Nicholson, City Manager, 424 5th Street, Myrtle Point, Oregon 97458. Refer to Instructions to Bidders within the Contract Documents. A two-hour period shall follow in which all bidders shall submit to the **City of Myrtle Point** a properly filled out Subcontractor Disclosure Form, identifying any first-tier subcontractor that will be furnishing labor or material on the Contract. Refer to Disclosure Form and Instructions to Bidders within the Contract Documents. The actual **bid opening** shall be conducted immediately following the bid closing time at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Work for this project consists of structural seismic upgrades to the existing 7,257 sf Myrtle Point Fire Station/EMS Building based on the Seismic Rehabilitation Grant Application dated January 17, 2020. Work also includes a 2,610 sf building addition for three additional apparatus bays, interior remodel and upgrades including mechanical, plumbing and electrical. Total project area equals 9,867 square feet. This work is funded in part through the State of Oregon Seismic Rehabilitation Grant Program. Project Manual for this work, including Instructions to Bidders and Bid Form, may be examined at the Office of the Architect, HGE Architects, Inc. 333 South 4th Street, Coos Bay, Oregon, phone: 541-269-1166, email: general@hge1.com, and at the following locations: Myrtle Point Fire Station, various Plan Centers, and on the HGE website at <http://www.hge1.com/bidding-area/>. One set of drawings, specifications and contract documents may be obtained by prime bidders from HGE INC., upon deposit of \$100. Refer to Instructions to Bidders regarding refund procedures. PDF digital copies of these documents are also available to Bidders via HGE INC.'s website at the link above. General Contractors are encouraged to contact HGE INC. office by phone or email and register their interest in submitting a bid and to be included on the architect's plan holders list. Addendums and other critical bid information will be forwarded to all persons on the architect's plan holders list. A mandatory pre-bid meeting is scheduled for **December 16, 2021 at 10:30AM**. Contractors shall meet at the project site; Myrtle Point Fire Station, 424 5th Street, Myrtle Point, Oregon to review project scope, bidding requirements, and other items. A tour and walk-through of the project site will immediately follow. The pre-bid meeting and walk-through are mandatory for general contractor bidders. No bid will be received or considered by the Owner unless the bid contains a statement that Bidder will comply with the provisions of ORS 279C.800 through 279C.870 relating to Prevailing Wages. No bids will be considered unless fully completed in the manner provided in the Instructions to Bidders upon the official bid form provided by the Architect, within the Project Manual, and accompanied by an unconditional certified check or a bid bond executed in favor of **City of Myrtle Point** in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the total amount of the bid per ORS 279C.385, to be forfeited as fixed and liquidated damages should the bidder fail or neglect to enter into a contract and provide suitable bond for the faithful performance of the work in the event the contract is awarded. Each bid will contain a statement as to whether or not the bidder is a resident bidder as defined in ORS 279A.120. No bid will be considered unless the bidder is registered with the Construction Contractors Board as required by ORS 701.035 to 701.055. The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and to waive any technicalities or informalities in connection therewith. No bidder may withdraw his bid after the hour set for the opening thereof until the lapse of thirty (30) days from the bid opening. By: Darin Nicholson, City Manager
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This week in Coos County history: December 10 - 13

100 YEARS — 1921

Health nurse is kept; 2 are out

Coos county tax budget committee takes final action

Supporters of farm agent and home demonstration agent will meet next Tuesday

At the final meeting of the Coos county budget committee and the county court in Coquille yesterday, the tentative budget was adopted without providing for the maintenance of the Coos county farm agent or the home demonstration agent, but providing \$1500 of the \$2400 desired for the maintenance of the county health nurse.

The action on the health nurse was sort of a compromise, advocates of retaining her indirectly agreed to see that the balance was raised by other means, possibly through aid from the Red Cross county fund.

Farmers to make appeal

While the matter is disposed of so far as the general budget committee is concerned, the budget will come up for hearing at a date to be announced later, probably soon after Christmas. In consequence, advocates of the retention of the farm agents are planning to make another drive on the county court at that time and if too late to get the appropriation specified in the budget, to insist that they e provided for out of the county emergency fund.

Meet Thursday

It is expected that this proposed request will take concrete shape at a meeting in Coquille Thursday, December 8, at the city hall. This is the occasion of the annual meeting of members of the Coos County Farm Bureau. There are over 350 members of the Farm Bureau in the county but an effort will be made to have all farmers interested to attend.

The budget committee took the stand that they did not have the money available. The advocates of the farm agents insisted that the money was simply being transferred to other uses, and that the budget would be practically the same and no reduction in taxes.

Myrtle Point has 7 typhoid cases

County Health Officer Mingus to investigate it Three new cases reported yesterday and four last week — to purify water

Dr. E. Mingus, county health officer, plans to go to Myrtle Point in a few days to see what steps can be taken to curb the threatened epidemic of typhoid fever there.

Three new cases were reported yesterday and four last week.

The Myrtle Point city officials have installed a chlorination plant in the water system but the new cases yesterday indicate that it has not yet been successful.

Other diseases curbed

Dr. Mingus says he believes the diphtheria epidemic at North Bend has been curbed. Yesterday a possible new case was reported but this was the first one in several days.

There have been no new cases of scarlet fever reported for some time.

50 YEARS — 1971

Warm-water habitat ‘pays the bills,’ allowing cold-water fish to fuel up

By SEAN NEALON
Guest Article

New Oregon State University research shows that warm-water habitats can be critically important for the survival of cold-water fish such as trout and salmon.

In the midst of climate change, this research has important implications for habitat protection and restoration efforts, which traditionally prioritize cold bodies of water instead of those that heat up during summer months, the researchers said.

“We show in this paper by devaluing habitats that are warm in summer, we miss their critical functions at other times of year,” said Nick Hahlbeck, who conducted the research as a doctoral student at Oregon State. “In this case, the habitat that would be written off provides almost all of the energy needed for growth and reproduction that is expressed at other times of the year.”

The research, recently published in the journal Conservation Biology, was conducted in Upper Klamath Lake in southwestern Oregon. That site is important because at present it is an example of what scientists fear will happen to other water basins as the climate continues to warm, researchers said.

“The lake is 80 degrees Fahrenheit in summer and neon green with algae blooms that can kill even the toughest fish species. It is the opposite of what we think of as trout habitat,” said Jonny Armstrong, an ecologist at Oregon State and co-author of the paper. “This research shows that habitat that is nasty in summer can be critically important during other seasons.”

The research focused on salmon-sized redband rainbow trout, which are an important recreational game fish and provide the last remaining subsistence fishery for the Klamath Tribes. Previously salmon were common in the area, and the research provides insights into how salmon could use the lake again once dams are removed downstream, which could occur in the near future.

Scientists tagged about 100 redband trout and tracked their movements over three years. They measured the condition of the fish using a metric similar to body mass index and studied the contents of



Contributed Photo

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their guts to calculate energy levels.

Gut contents indicated that the trout used the lake as foraging grounds in spring and fall, consuming primarily fish. In contrast, summer rations for the trout were much smaller and consisted primarily of insects from the lake’s cold-water tributaries. The differences in ration size and diet composition between the two habitat types amounted to a roughly 100 times difference in energy consumed by a typical fish.

At least 65% of tagged fish migrated to the lake twice annually between periods of living in the tributaries for spawning or to escape the warm lake waters. Migration distances to the lake

from cool water areas spanned up to 30 miles and 90 miles from spawning grounds.

In the summer, 72% of trout sampled had nearly empty stomachs, compared to just 10% of trout sampled in spring or fall, when most trout were gorging on smaller fish in the lake. On average, fish gained weight during spring and fall periods of lake residence and lost weight at similar rates in the tributaries during the following seasons.

“We found that the fish use cold clear tributaries, which look like classic trout habitat, for refuge in summer and spawning in winter, but that their fall and spring feeding in the lake is what

pays the bills for the energy they expend in these other seasons,” said Armstrong, an assistant professor in the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife in the College of Agricultural Sciences.

Planning for continued climate change often focuses on conserving habitat that could serve as so-called refugia, areas in which organisms can survive through a period of unfavorable conditions, researchers said. They argue this overlooks the fact that mobile populations, such as redband trout, take advantage of multiple habitats across a landscape, and that areas that wouldn’t be considered refugia can be vital.

“Our study empirically demon-

strates that warm habitats can fuel coldwater fisheries and challenges the common practice of identifying refugia based only on summer conditions,” researchers wrote. “The search for climate refugia should be broadened to consider the suite of complementary habitats that mobile animals can link in space and time.”

Other authors of the paper are: Jordan Ortega, Oregon State; William Tinniswood, Matthew Wyatt, Mark Hereford, Ben Ramirez and Kara Anlauf-Dunn, all of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife; Matthew Sloat, Wild Salmon Center, a Portland-based nonprofit; and David Crook, Centre for Freshwater Ecosystems.

North Bend steps up to new classification

Grading of North Bend city fire defenses earlier this year has resulted in an improvement classification from Four B to Three B, according to Mayor Harry Graham.

He said he and the city council were notified of the results Friday by H.E. Marqueling, manager of Insurance Services Association of Oregon.

The new grading classification will be used to establish new insurance premiums on dwellings, commercial and industrial buildings, schools and other structures. It will eventually mean considerable savings to residents of North Bend as old insurance policies expire and new policies are written, Graham said.

Graham said North Bend joins cities of Eugene and The Dalles in the number three classification. Portland is the only city in Oregon with a Class Two B rating.

Crackdown on drugs in Coos

Illegal drugs valued at over \$50,000 were seized in two nights of house raids staged Thursday and Friday by Coos Interagency Narcotics Team (CINT) investigators from state, county, and Bay Area city police departments.

A raid of a Coos Bay home early Friday uncovered what police described as a “secret methamphetamine factory” on the second floor of a backyard shed. Police estimated well over \$8,000 worth of the illegal “speed” was in the process of being manufactured at the time of the raid. Two people were taken into custody.

Three other persons and a quantity of marijuana, marijuana seeds, methamphetamine and other suspected drugs were seized by CINT agents late Thursday following a raid on an Empire apartment house.

20 YEARS — 2001

New Carissa here to stay?

Owners: Removal of the wreck may be impossible because of dangerous surf conditions on the North Spit

The owners of the New Carissa responded on Wednesday to a lawsuit filed by the state, denying claims that operator negligence led to the grounding of the Panama-registered ship and that the wreckage should be removed from state lands under court order.

The state filed suit in Coos County Circuit Court in October, charging operators of the wood chip ship ignored high surf advisories and that the remains of the 639-foot vessel, which dragged anchor and grounded on the North Spit on Feb. 4, 1999, are trespassing on state lands. The state wants a court-ordered removal of the wreckage — two sections weighing about 2,000 tons — and storage fees assessed at \$1,500 a day from when the ship grounded until its removal.

If the owners won’t remove the wreck and return the beach to its original condition, or determine they can’t, the state wants a court to rule on damages.

“Essentially there’s one light at the end of the tunnel — to have our beach absent a hulking mass,” said Kevin Neely, a spokesman with the Oregon Department of Justice. “If they can’t remove it, then the state should have the option to remove it and we should e paid for it.

If it’s going to stay there, we want to be renumerated for it.”

Removal of the wreck may be impossible due to dangerous surf conditions, the owners contend.

Egyptian pipe organ thunders to life

The owner says public must decide fate of the 76-year-old Wurlitzer

The mighty Wurlitzer was muzzled last year, the venerable pipe organ’s thunderous sound missing for the first time in decades from the Christmas concert at the Egyptian Theatre.

Rest silent no more.

Those who know and love the old organ the most say rumors of its demise have been greatly exaggerated. The electrical hiccups that kept it in the shadows required only a minor fix. The mighty Wurlitzer is fit and ready to return to the spotlight, in all its glory, they say.

“As it stands right now, we’re planning to have the brass and the organ at the concert,” said Wilber Jensen, a local dentist and accomplished trumpeter who leads the Coos Bay Christmas Brass Ensemble.

In keeping with the mood of the nation, this year’s concert, which will begin at noon on Saturday, Dec. 15, will feature a patriotic medley, said Jensen. Adding to the festivities will be the return of the Wurlitzer’s booming holiday sound.

Crabbers head out

Just in time for the holidays, fresh Dungeness crab will hit the stores in a few days, courtesy of fishermen and processors who agreed to an ex-vessel price of \$1.60 per pound Monday night in Washington, Oregon and northern California. It ended a 10-day-old strike that kept fishermen tied up in port.

Already, some coastal supermarkets have limited quantities of Dungeness crab for sale that has come from commercial tribal fisheries off Washington or commercial fisheries in British Columbia. Productive seasons in both Alaska and British Columbia offset the poor showing of crab along the West Coast in the 2000-2001 season, creating a cold storage inventory of crab products for a few processors in October. They didn’t need to settle a price with fishermen before now.

“The bait is coming out of the freezer, hopefully for the final time, and it’s going on the boats,” said Nick Furman, executive director of the Oregon Crab Commission, on Monday afternoon. “And weather permitting, it sounds like guys are going to get out and set gear tomorrow. So yahoo! The season’s started.”

Most Oregon boats weren’t able to leave port Monday night and were waiting instead for the swells to drop below 16 feet in the southern part of the region and 20 feet in the northern region before crossing the bars. Winds were predicted to subside by this morning as well, creating a window of opportunity for crabbers to leave.

These stories were found in the Marshfield Sun Printing Museum newspaper repository stored in Marshfield High School.

North Bend celebrates Christmas in style



Photo by David Rupkalvis/The World

North Bend came to life last weekend as the city celebrated Christmas with a drive-through light show at the North Bend Community Center on Friday before the city hosted a light parade Saturday. The events lit up the city during the holiday season.

DeFazio welcomes termination of Jordan Cove project

Congressman Peter DeFazio recently issued a statement welcoming the end of attempts to move forward with the proposed liquified natural gas terminal in Coos Bay and accompanying natural gas pipeline, known collectively as the Jordan Cove project.

“I’m glad to hear Pembina Pipeline Corp., the foreign corporation that’s been pushing this ill-fated project, will no longer seek approval of the Jordan Cove project,” said Rep. DeFazio. “I have strongly opposed the project for a number of reasons, including the fact that this foreign company tried to invoke ‘eminent domain’ to seize privately-owned land to build the pipeline, which would have plowed through landowners’ private property and trampled their constitutional rights.

“The Constitution is quite clear: the government can only authorize the use of eminent domain if the action serves the public. The Jordan Cove project served the opposite purpose. To stop this, I introduced legislation to prohibit the use of eminent domain to build LNG export pipelines through private property. Additionally, this project would have run through iconic public lands and fish habitat. It would have exacerbated the threat of the climate crisis, becoming one of Oregon’s largest carbon emitters.

“The planned new multi-modal container facility at the Port of Coos Bay is a far better economic development alternative to Jordan Cove, and will provide long-term, good paying jobs for the community in addition to reducing emissions. With

this new project, the Port of Coos Bay is poised to become the only ship-to-rail container facility on the West Coast and will be uniquely positioned to move goods to market via the most efficient and least pollution-intensive transportation methods available.”

DeFazio vehemently opposed the Bush-Cheney law that cut Congress and local authorities out of the process and warned against giving away congressional oversight of projects such as Jordan Cove.

DeFazio was the first member of Congress to introduce legislation to reverse the law and prevent FERC from using eminent domain to seize private property for energy projects. The U.S. Constitution limits the use of eminent domain to actions necessary for “public use.”

North Bend man dies in accident

A North Bend man was killed when he was hit by a vehicle while walking in Clackamas County.

According to a press release from Oregon State Police, on December 4 at about 10:23 p.m., Oregon State Police troopers and emergency personnel responded to the report of a fatal motor vehicle collision involving a pedestrian on Highway 213 near SE Otty Road.

Preliminary investigation revealed a southbound Dodge Caravan, operated by Kendal Elizabeth Conley (50) of Milwaukie, struck a pedestrian, James Ross Barclay (67) of North Bend.

Barclay sustained fatal injuries and was pronounced deceased. Conley was uninjured.

Conley was arrested on charges of DUII and criminal-negligent homicide.

Highway 213 was closed for three hours.

OSP was assisted by ODOT, Clackamas County Sheriff’s Office, CRAFT Team, AMR, Clackamas Fire and Clackamas County ME’s Office.

Public comment open for proposed updates to hunting rules in state parks

The public is invited to comment on proposed amendments to the Oregon Administrative Rules guiding hunting within Oregon state parks. The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department is seeking to clarify where hunting is allowed while ensuring safety for all visitors.

The department is accepting public comment through 5 p.m. Jan. 27, 2022. Comments can be submitted via:

Virtual Public Meeting: 6 p.m. January 18, 2022. Registration is required at <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/68281234567>

Online: oregon.gov/OPRD/PRP/Pages/PRP-rulemaking.aspx

By email: OPRD.publiccomment@oregon.gov

By mail: Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, Attn: Helena Kesch, 725 Summer St. NE., Suite C, Salem, OR 97301

Hunting is permitted in several state parks where public safety risk is low,

and the activity is subject to Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife rules and regulations. The proposed rule change will clarify hunting boundaries and create clearly signed “safety zones” where hunting is not allowed. It will also require an OPRD hunting map to be located on the agency website that clearly shows hunting boundaries. A full copy of the proposed amendments is posted on the Proposed OPRD Rules web page.

OPRD appointed members to the advisory committee. Members include representatives of the hunting community, conservationists and officials from ODFW and Oregon State Police Fish and Wildlife Division.

Individuals who require special accommodations to view the meetings should contact Helena Kesch at least three days in advance of the meeting at helena.kesch@oprd.oregon.gov or 503-881-4637.

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Microfluidics show promise as safer, simpler treatment option for severe neonatal jaundice

By **STEVE LUNDEBERG**
Guest Article

Research by the Oregon State University College of Engineering has led to a promising potential therapy for neonatal jaundice that's more safe, simple and convenient than the blood transfusions currently given to babies suffering from the most dangerous forms of the condition.

The study led by Adam Higgins, associate professor of bioengineering, suggests microfluidics and high-intensity light can correct a dangerous bloodstream buildup of bilirubin. Bilirubin is the pigment that's responsible for the yellow skin color associated with jaundice and, at high enough levels, puts the afflicted infant at risk of sometimes irreversible neurological damage or even death.

Findings were published in *Biomicrofluidics*.

Neonatal jaundice is a common condition among newborns, whose bodies are busy breaking down the red blood cells used in the uterus and making new ones as the infant transitions to breathing ambient air once outside the womb.

Blood's red color stems from a protein called hemoglobin that carries oxygen, and as those red blood cells are broken down, the liver modifies hemoglobin into bilirubin. When an infant's immature liver can't keep up with all of the bilirubin it's producing, the pigment leaks into the bloodstream before settling in the skin, causing a yellowish appearance.

About two-thirds of all newborns experience some level of jaundice, typically a mild case. Much of the time it clears up on its own or with minimal treatment, such as getting more water into the infant's body.

Other cases, with higher levels of bilirubin in the blood, can require whole body phototherapy – using light to trigger chemical reactions that result in compounds more easily excreted than bilirubin. And in the most severe cases, rare in the United States but occurring in one birth in a 100 in much of the world, infants need

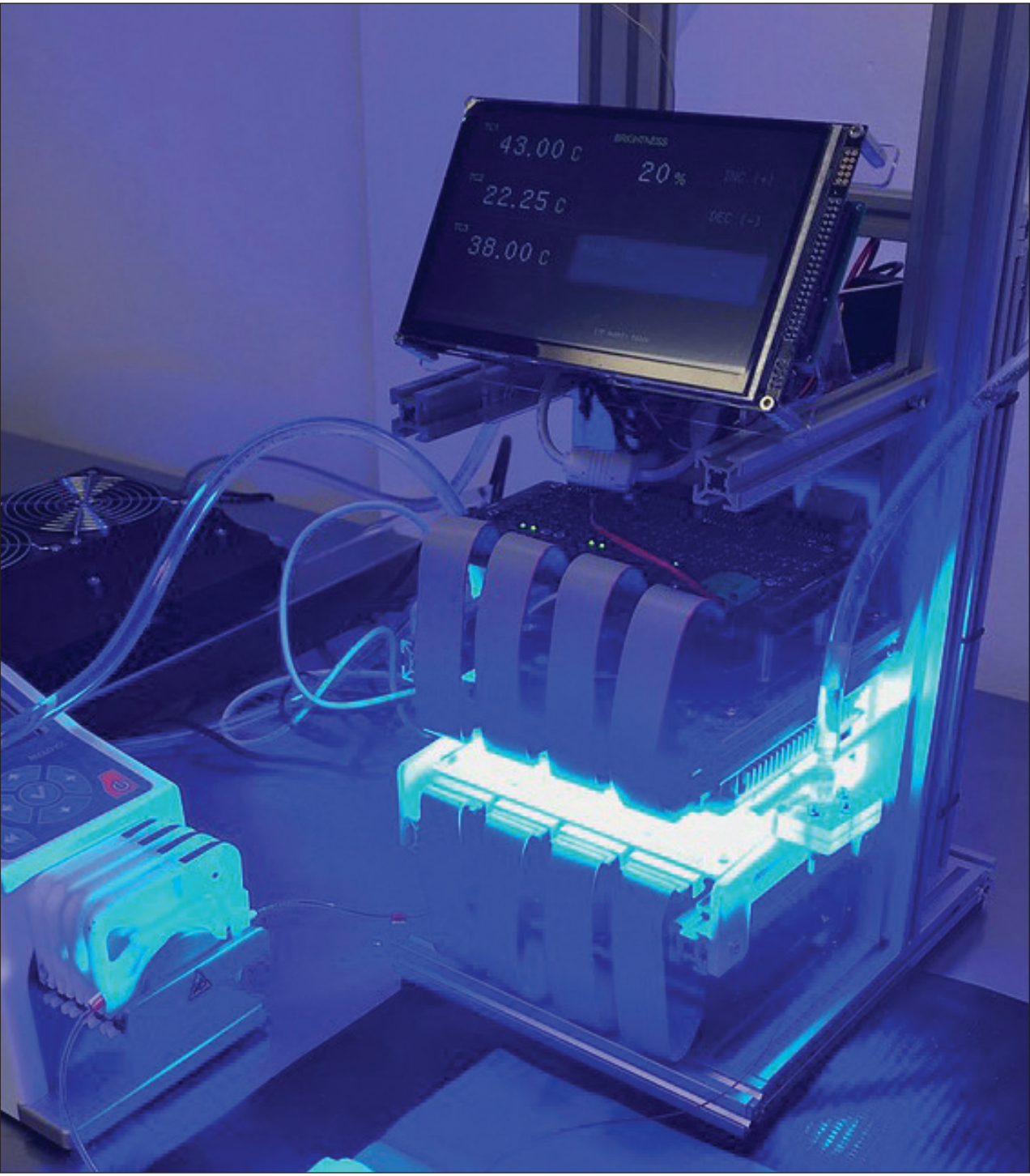
all of their blood replaced by donor blood, twice, in what's known as a double-exchange transfusion – a complicated, labor-intensive and relatively risky procedure.

The Oregon State research aims to provide a simpler and safer alternative: treating the patient's blood by circulating it through an external device known as a microfluidic photoreactor.

Microfluidics is the study of how fluids behave as they travel through or are confined in microminiaturized devices equipped with channels and chambers. Surface forces as opposed to volumetric forces dominate fluids at the microscale, meaning fluids act much differently there than what is observed in everyday life.

Using human blood in a laboratory setting and also using a rat model, Higgins and collaborators at the College of Engineering, Oregon Health & Science University and the University of Washington studied the effect of LED light on extremely bilirubin-rich blood pumped through microfluidic photoreactors. The light-catalyzed reaction they looked at is the same as the one enabled by whole-body phototherapy, but the bilirubin in the blood is targeted directly, making for greater efficiency.

“The findings demonstrate that high-intensity light at a wavelength of 470 nanometers can be used to quickly reduce bilirubin levels without causing any appreciable damage to the blood cells’ DNA,” Higgins said. “Our work with Gunn rats showed that photoreactor treatment for four hours significantly pared down bilirubin levels – similar to the kind of bilirubin reduction seen in exchange transfusion and on a similar time scale. The mathematical model we developed suggests this new treatment approach that we tested at lab scale will perform better than exchange transfusion at the clinical scale, and it requires no donor blood.”



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Adam Higgins, associate professor of bioengineering, developed this laboratory device which showed that the blood of jaundiced rats could be treated by pumping it through microfluidic channels and subjecting it to high-intensity LED light.

Next steps, Higgins said, involve scaling up the device used with the Gunn rats so it will work on newborn humans, who are roughly 10 times larger, and measuring blood DNA damage in a preclinical animal model, such as the rhesus monkey, that can more closely replicate human neonatal jaundice. “But overall, it looks like further development of the photoreactor technology can potentially bring a promising new approach for treating extremely high levels of bilirubin in newborns’ blood,” he said.

Working with Higgins were John Lahmann, Ryan

Faase, Hsuan Yu Leu, Kate Schilke and Joe Baio of the College of Engineering, Steve Jacques of the University of Washington

and Brian Scottoline of Oregon Health & Science University. The Oregon State University Venture De-

velopment Fund, the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust and the National Institutes of Health supported this research.

Santa visits Myrtle Point



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Myrtle Point Rotary and 42 & Spruce, Inc. cohosted the December 4 “December to Remember” event at Myrtle Point. The Santa was additionally supported by Redbarn Dispensary. Pictured with Santa are Ellie, Eden and Easton Combs. Businesses throughout the downtown hosted special events for the community youth including a pinewood derby, a live nativity, outdoor movies, crafts and treats.

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North Bend lights up for Christmas



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North Bend was awashed in light Friday night as the city hosted its Lighted Christmas Parade. A variety of businesses and community organizations came out with cars, trucks and Jeeps lit up with Christmas decorations to celebrate the holiday season.



Community cooking planned December 16

Coos Bay Public Library, in partnership with Coos Head Food Co-op, will co-host Community Cooking with the Co-op: Starring Jamar every fourth Thursday at 5:30 p.m. on Zoom. The next event is Thursday, December 16.

Coos Bay Library has teamed up with Coos Head Food Co-op's Outreach Coordinator, Jamar, to provide safe, easy and healthy recipes to create at home. Join virtually for this fun community event.

For his December recipe, Jamar will be featuring Jollof Quinoa + Salmon Croquettes.

This event is free and open to everyone. For ingredients and access, register by going to <https://bit.ly/3powyqG>

Are we starting all over again?

Over the past few weeks I watched my beloved Michigan Wolverines dominate the Ohio State Buckeyes for the first time in a decade, then proceed to win the Big Ten championship. They dominated these matchups, clearly winning both contests in every measure of the game, except one. I couldn't help but notice the images of packed football stadiums with nary a mask in the crowd.



Dr. Charles Hurbis

The Michigan stadium is called the "Big House" for a reason. It seats 107,601 fans in a bowl-shaped structure for three-plus straight hours every game day. The actual game is preceded by pre-game festivities, then followed by post-game parties. After the Ohio State game, boisterous fans flooded the field for over an hour, overjoyed by the long-overdue victory. Game days are attended by the student body and alumni from all across the country. At the time of this game, Michigan was considered the epicenter of the latest COVID surge, with the feds scrambling to send reserve doctors and nurses to the area to help manage the enormous number of new cases. To make matters worse, this same month Ann Arbor was the site of a major outbreak of the garden variety flu in the student body. This led people to coin the phrases "twindemic" and "duodemic." Does this seem like a great time to attend a football game without a mask? I have to worry about just how many new cases will come out of college football given the lack of protection I've witnessed.

Yes, people are tired of the pandemic. We want to return to the normal "pre-pandemic" life. We are tired of the needed precautions, the immunizations and certainly the confusion and mixed messages this moving target generates. Even within my own family, I detect the frustration. "Should I bother to get a booster now or wait three months for one that also covers the new super-stain from South Africa" (more on that later). I detect my kids just want to get on with it, to go about their lives using as much common sense as being young allows. Frighteningly though, they are also willing to accept any outcome. It's hard to blame them. This fatalistic viewpoint is not unexpected from a population which frequently feels invulnerable.

Unfortunately, we have to consider that COVID is here to stay, that we will never return to the pre-pandemic way of life. This would be unfortunate, but not undoable. Human beings are if anything, adaptable. We enter this planet as perfect as we are going to get, then spend our entire lives slowly going downhill. Along the way, we learn to adapt to any and all handicaps nature and fate throw our way, and learn to do so with amazing success and grace. Adaptation to COVID would just be another handicap to which we will slowly adjust. This process will continue until our seemingly altered lives become our new normal.

One reasonable view of the future is that COVID will persist as does the standard flu virus. Similar to the flu, there will be a COVID season with new variants showing

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Community Calendar of Events

What: **Human Rights Day**
When: 1-4 p.m., December 10
Where: Cedar Room, Coos Bay Public Library
You Should Know: The Human Rights Advocates of Coos County will present educational displays for Human Rights Day. Volunteers will answer questions about human rights as they relate to everyday life.

What: **Library open house**
When: December 11
Where: North Bend Public Library
You Should Know: Join the library as they celebrate the season. Sing along as the Little Match Girls play holiday tunes, and go home with a little cider and chocolate.

What: **Southwest Oregon Preppers meeting**
When: Noon, December 11
Where: Bandon High School
You Should Know: The main topic is How to stay sane as the world goes crazy. If you don't prepare your mind to deal with all of the bad news, you could wind up depressed or worse. We will be discussing what you can do during these troubled times to maintain your mental health.

What: **Reception for Sunny Kudo**
When: 2-4 p.m., December 11
Where: Art by the Sea Gallery, 145 Fillmore Ave. SE, Bandon
You Should Know: Art by the Sea Gallery and Studio invites the community to attend a reception to view the creations of Featured Member Artist Sunny Kudo, who does amazing gourd work and painted wood panels. Kudos will be present to discuss her artistry with all those interested.

What: **Read and Craft Book Club**
When: Books available now
Where: Initial meetings via Zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85870526888>.
You Should Know: The Coos Bay and North Bend Public Libraries are teaming up to offer a monthly Read and Craft Book Club for young people in grades 4-8. Beginning December 1, participants can pick up a free copy of a book and a themed craft at the Coos Bay or North Bend Library. The first Tuesday of the month at 4 p.m., the libraries will jointly host an online book discussion and craft time on Zoom.

What: **Gingerbread House Make and Take kits**
When: Available now



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When: Available now
Where: Coos Bay Public Library
You Should Know: Created by Bakery Bling, the kits come complete with all components, including cookies, ready-made. Contains wheat and egg. All ingredients are nut free and packaged in a nut free facility. One kit per family; limited kits are available.

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What: **Snow, snow, snow**
When: Available now.
Where: North Bend Public Library
You Should Know: Kits are available for children school age (5-12) and preschool (3-4). Each kit contains crafts, book suggestions, coloring pages, recipes and more. Stop by the library to pick one up. Supplies are limited.

What: **UnBook Club**
When: 1 p.m. every fourth Thursday
Where: North Bend Public Library
You Should Know: The UnBook Club is a book club without assigned reading. Come tell us what you've been reading and leave with new ideas for your next book.

What: **Little Bites**
When: Every Tuesday
Where: Coos Bay Library via YouTube or Facebook
You Should Know: Every Tuesday, Miss Laura presents songs, rhymes, and flannel stories for children 6 or under. Little Bits can be viewed on the library's Facebook and YouTube channels.

What: **Young Writers at Coos Bay Library**
When: 4-5 p.m., December 16
Where: At the library and online
You Should Know: Each week will include a writing prompt or game, time to write independently, and an opportunity to share work with the group. No experience necessary. Writers wishing to join online should contact jknight@coosbaylibrary.org to get a code to join virtually.

What: **COVID vaccination clinics**
When: 11 a.m.-6 p.m., December 16 and 30
Where: Old Macy's parking lot at Pony Village Mall
You Should Know: Coos Elderly Ser-

vices will sponsor the vaccination clinics, which are open to anyone needing first or second shots or anyone needing booster shots. The clinic will be a drive-through clinic and will also have a COVID testing site available.

What: **ASL Practice Place**
When: Noon, December 16
Where: Hosted by Coos Bay Public Library, event will be virtual. Register at <https://bit.ly/3CbG1VR>
You Should Know: Coos Bay Public Library has partnered with instructor, Kandy Bergquist, to offer ASL Practice Place. Program is for those who wish to practice their ASL conversational skills and help other learners in a friendly setting. Attendees will have the opportunity to sign in ASL as a group for one hour in a casual, informal environment.

What: **Community Cooking with the Co-op**
When: 5:30 p.m., December 16
Where: Virtually via Zoom. Register by going to <https://bit.ly/3powyqG>
You Should Know: Coos Bay Library has teamed up with Coos Head Food Co-op's Outreach Coordinator, Jamar, to provide safe, easy, and healthy recipes to create at home. Join virtually for this fun community event. For his December recipe, Jamar will be featuring Jollof Quinoa + Salmon Croquettes.

What: **Spanglish**
When: 10:30-11:30 a.m., December 18
Where: Coos Bay Public Library
You Should Know: The program is for those who wish to practice their Spanish conversational skills and help other learners in a friendly setting. Attendees will have the opportunity to converse in Spanish as a group for one hour in a casual, informal environment.

What: **Live Drive-Through Nativity**
When: 6-8 p.m., December 18
Where: Coquille Church of the Nazarene, 997 W. Central Street
You Should Know: The church will host the event with live people portraying the characters in Jesus' birth. The event is free.

What: **Volunteer training for VITA**
When: Dec. 29 and January 8
Where: Cedar Room and Coos Bay Public Library
You Should Know: The library is partnering with NeighborWorks Umpqua to recruit volunteers for the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program.

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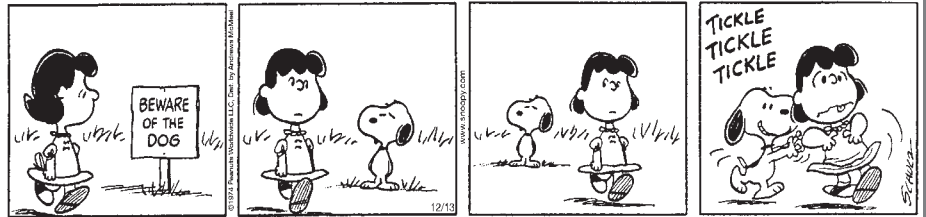
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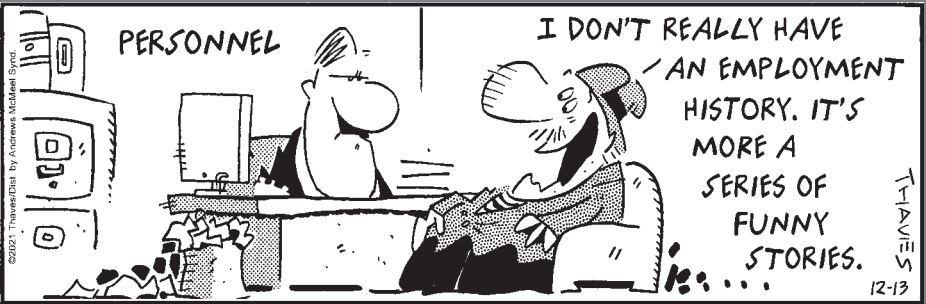
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- 4 Maraud
- 8 Send off
- 12 Forum hello
- 13 Flying piscivore
- 14 Salmon variety
- 15 Uncomfortable seat
- 16 Skein of yarn
- 17 In a short time
- 18 Built in advance
- 20 A continent
- 22 Strongman of myth
- 23 Solidify
- 24 Chong's partner
- 28 "Pulp Fiction" actress
- 31 Winning margin
- 34 Derisive snort
- 35 Sit down heavily

DOWN

- 36 Q.E.D. part
- 37 Eggs, in biology
- 38 Corrode
- 39 Above, to poets
- 40 Capacity for work
- 42 Oz. or tsp.
- 44 Sweepstakes
- 48 Friendly gathering
- 51 Less trusting
- 52 Matured
- 53 Osiris' beloved
- 55 Thurs. follower
- 56 Pince-nez part
- 57 "Sister Act" roles
- 58 Move to and —
- 59 Trial balloon
- 60 Low card
- 61 — Juan

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 3 Stair post
- 4 Go back over
- 5 Graceful horse
- 6 Lodging place
- 7 Hockey feint
- 8 Psych out

- 9 Oahu port
- 10 Flapjack chain
- 11 Corncake
- 19 Gem surface
- 21 "Yuck!"
- 25 Poet's black
- 26 Icicle locale
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- 31 Prefix for classic
- 32 Crude metal
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- 51 Pasta go-with
- 54 "Big —" (Kerouac novel)

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- 12 Frosted
- 14 Raw metal
- 15 Refinery waste
- 16 Staffer
- 17 Molecular biology topic
- 18 Asian city
- 20 Raise
- 22 — Paulo, Brazil
- 23 Kind of tent
- 24 Generator part
- 27 Made money
- 30 Mr. Greenspan
- 31 Dry toast
- 32 "— -Man Fever"
- 34 Electric —
- 35 Japanese clog
- 36 VHS predecessor

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- 7 Hubbub (hyph.)
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- 13 Expose as false
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- 21 Decide on
- 23 Galileo's hometown
- 24 Issa of "Insecure"
- 25 Tub in the fridge
- 26 Willow
- 27 Stray dog
- 28 Dueler's weapon
- 29 Numbers to crunch
- 31 Take a breather
- 33 Bounder
- 35 Equipped
- 36 Pumpnickel and rye
- 38 Forest mom
- 39 Study
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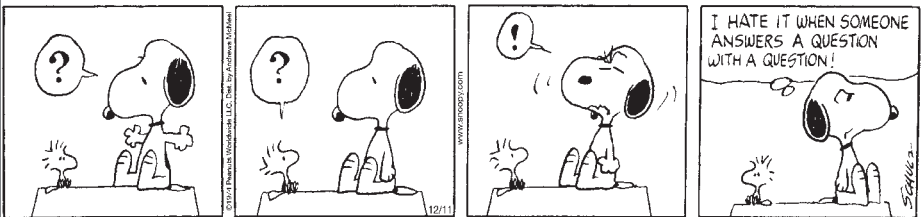
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DILBERT



CLASSIC PEANUTS



FRANK AND ERNEST



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DOONESBURY

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

HEY, DAD. I JUST DID YOU A SOLID - I POSTED YOUR LOSER BLOG TO SUBSTACK!

YOU WHAT?

IT'S NOW A NEWSLETTER YOUR BASE CAN SUBSCRIBE TO! LET ME SHOW YOU...

SEE? YOU'VE ALREADY GOT 14 SUBSCRIBERS! AT \$5 A POP!

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HEY, THAT'S \$70 MORE THAN YOU GET NOW. AND YOU CAN BUILD ON IT!

WELL, THAT'S CERTAINLY A GAME-CHANGER, SON.

YOU'RE WELCOME.

IF I CAN GET IT UP TO \$100, I COULD AFFORD TO SMOKE AGAIN.

THERE YOU GO! FOR YOU, THAT'D BE A TOTAL FLEX!

Hank Ketchum's **Dennis the Menace**

The Santa Clause

Mort Walker's **beetle bailey**

DID THE GENERAL READ MY REPORT?

I DOUBT IT

OPEN THIS DOOR RIGHT NOW!

BUT I'M NOT TIRED!

GET BACK HERE!

YA GOTTA CATCH ME!!

DID YOU RECEIVE MY COMMUNIQUE, SIR?

DON'T THINK SO

I SENT YOU A TEXT, TOO...

CLICKETY CLICK

IF YOU DON'T GO TO SLEEP RIGHT NOW, I'M SENDING A TEXT TO SANTA CLAUS!

I'LL TELL HIM TO PUT YOU ON THE NAUGHTY LIST!

OKAY, OKAY!

DID YOU RECEIVE MY COMMUNIQUE, SIR?

CLICK CLICKETY CLICK

LEFT YOU A VOICE MESSAGE...

LATER...

SO HOW WAS HE?

WHATEVER YOU DO, MRS. MITCHELL...

...TRY TO KEEP DENNIS BELIEVING IN SANTA CLAUS FOR AS LONG AS YOU CAN.

I WROTE YOU AN EMAIL...

CLICK CLICKETY CLICK

WHAT DO I HAVE TO DO TO GET YOUR ATTENTION?!

TRY A FLARE

GARFIELD

OH, COME ON!

HÄGAR THE HORRIBLE

Dik By BROWNE

WRITE THIS DOWN, HELGA! DUKE NALES, NO ARMY! EARL SCUTLIN, NO WALL! LORD ABOFF, NO MOAT!

WHAT IS THIS, HAGAR?

MY SHOPPING LIST!

I WANT A LOAN TO HIRE AN ARMY TO KEEP HAGAR OUT!

SIGN HERE

I WANT A LOAN TO BUILD A WALL TO KEEP HAGAR OUT!

SIGN HERE!

I WANT A LOAN TO BUILD A MOAT TO KEEP HAGAR OUT!

SIGN HERE!

AHH, SPEAK OF THE DEVIL!

WHAT DO YOU WANT, HAGAR?

A COMMISSION!

ZITS

by JERRY SCOTT and JIM BORGMAN

SO, ANY BIG PLANS FOR WINTER BREAK, JEREMY?

NOT REALLY.

YOU SHOULD DO SOMETHING FUN.

SOMETHING INSPIRING.

SOMETHING THRILLING, UNUSUAL AND ADVENTUROUS!

SOMETHING WE COULD DO AS A FAMILY!

POOF!

WHAT DOES HE MEAN BY "MIXED MESSAGES"?

The FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bill Keane

It's very hard for Santa to lose weight because of all the cookies and milk he has to put away.

While Daddy is shopping, Christmas shopping, Billy fills in with this inside look at Santa.

Santa knows if you've been bad or good via Satellite.

He pays his elves with lots of Christmas Candies and Cookies.

He gave up Smoking his pipe so he'll live longer.

At his North Pole Aeronautics School he teaches reindeer to fly.

Here's where he gets most of his ideas.

One of Santa's greatest skills is being able to read kids' writing.

PEANUTS

featuring "Good ol' Charlie Brown"

by Schulz

TOMORROW IS BEETHOVEN'S BIRTHDAY... WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO BUY ME?

I'M NOT GOING TO BUY YOU ANYTHING!

YOU KNOW WHY? BECAUSE YOU DON'T CARE ANYTHING ABOUT BEETHOVEN! YOU NEVER HAVE!!

YOU DON'T CARE THAT HE SUFFERED! YOU DON'T CARE THAT HIS STOMACH HURT AND THAT HE COULDN'T HEAR!

YOU NEVER CARED THAT THE COUNTESS TURNED HIM DOWN, OR THAT THERESE MARRIED THE BARON INSTEAD OF HIM OR THAT LOBKOWITZ STOPPED HIS ANNUITY!!

IF THE COUNTESS HADN'T TURNED HIM DOWN, WOULD YOU BUY ME SOMETHING?

FRANK & ERNEST

CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY INVOLVES OBSERVATION OF PATIENTS IN CLINICS AND RELATED SETTINGS.

COGNITIVE PSYCHOLOGY USES MATHEMATICAL MODELS. IT CAN HAPPEN AT A COMPUTER.

ERNIE PREFERENCES TO PUT HIS PATIENTS IN THE CAR AND DRIVE BACKWARDS.

FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGY TAKES PLACE AT CRIME SCENES.

REVERSE PSYCHOLOGY.

DILBERT

by SCOTT ADAMS

WE WON A GOVERNMENT CONTRACT TO BUILD A CO2 CAPTURE MACHINE, AND WE NEED SOME IDEAS.

WE'RE ONLY BRAIN-STORMING HERE, SO REMEMBER, THERE ARE NO "BAD IDEAS."

WE COULD CAPTURE THE CO2 WITH A NET.

AREN'T YOU GOING TO WRITE THAT ONE DOWN?

NO, I'M FAIRLY CONFIDENT I'LL REMEMBER THAT SUGGESTION FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE.

WE COULD ATTRACT THE CO2 WITH SOME SORT OF FOOD.

FORGET IT! YOU'RE ALL IDIOTS! I'LL JUST DESIGN THE STUPID MACHINE MYSELF!

THAT WAS FUN.

I LOVE BRAIN-STORMING.

The Chamber Minute: Our plans for 2022



With fallen leaves clogging your gutters and frost on the wind-shield, we begin thinking about the New Year. At the chamber, we begin our preparation for 2022's opportunities and successes with the annual board planning session.

For the past several years we have used your input about what you see are the most important issues facing our community, how you think the chamber has been dealing with them and what you would like to have us address in the next year.

With that information and our committee 2022 goals, the chamber defines its annual priorities.

To ensure that business succeeds and thrives in our Bay Area, the chamber is committed to the following:

Create a strong local economy
Through supporting the retention and growth of existing local business, focusing on tourism op-

portunities, supporting industrial development in our area, facilitating new business wanting to relocate here and streamlining the state and local permitting process.

Promote the Community
Through using a positive area marketing message both internally and externally, promoting Oregon's Adventure Coast, by collaborating with other agencies on product/area branding and by supporting the area's visitor centers.

Networking Opportunities
The Chamber is the hub of information for business & community, utilizing events like Business after Hours, Wednesday Business Connection and the Economic Outlook Forum and more, to spread the word.

Represent Business Issues
By advocating for business issues at all levels of government, continuing to research and take

positions on issues important to business and community, and by strengthening lobbying efforts with the state.

Build a strong Chamber
Engage new active members for committees and events; provide a mentoring program to ensure their success and incorporate best practices from Chambers around the state to continue our growth and effectiveness into the future

Part of the success of that effort depends on leadership. The executive committee for 2022 was just elected so let me share that information with you.

President— Rick Osborn— Farmers Insurance
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Past President— Lonni Corona—Harmony Homecare
Vice President—Government Affairs & Economic Development—Ron Kutch—West Coast

Contractors
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Vice President—Communications & Community Outreach—Allison Richards—CB NB VCB Secretary— Lisa Farr—Farr's Hardware
Treasurer— Steve Nye—Engles Furniture

Your community has succeeded as a result of people working together. Your Chamber of Commerce provides the perfect mechanism for continued community cooperation and success. So, come join us and be part of the team!

Remember our business is helping your business. And like us on Facebook!

(Tim Slater is executive director of the Bay Area Chamber of Commerce. For more information on your Chamber, email timmslater@oregonsbayarea.org.)

DOC H

From B1

up probably yearly. Many will be mild, but some may be much worse than others with a costly death toll. Each season will bring with it a new COVID vaccination and behavioral guidelines directed at limiting spread. For severe variants, there may be governmental mandates when it's obvious things are getting out of hand and regional health-care systems are nearing capacity. For a while, much of this will seem burdensome to certain populations, but as with any issue dissent will wane over time. We can think back to the introduction of other safety measures in our lives such as seatbelts, bicycle and motorcycle

helmets, childproof bottle caps, etc. All seemed like huge inconveniences at first, but we adjusted. I'll bet there are very few of us who would still get on a bike these days without a helmet or your car without a seatbelt. As with other safeguards, we'll just have to adapt if we expect to remain healthy.

For the current 2021/22 COVID season, it seems we'll now have to contest with a new "variant of concern," Omicron. A variant such as this has been predicted. As long as there are still large parts of the world that remain unvaccinated, some with large populations of immunocompromised individuals, uncontrolled spread of COVID will continue, enabling its ability to evolve. This virus, a variant of the Delta variant, contains

many additional mutations which have allowed it to spread rapidly. It dramatically began and spread throughout South Africa but now has found its way into almost 20 countries and over 20 states here in the U.S. So how worrisome is this new virus?

There are three things that need to be known. First, is it more contagious? It certainly seems at least as contagious as Delta if not more so. Second, is it more dangerous with the ability to cause more severe disease? And lastly, is it covered by our current vaccinations or will these become less effective, a phenomenon known as "escape." It is too early to answer these questions with any certainty, but we don't have time to wait for those answers before we react this time around.

We already have the tools needed to address this new variant and limit the damage it can do, we just need to use them.

What do we do at our current juncture to prepare for this COVID season. Omicron isn't necessarily the dreaded "escape variant" which would evade all vaccines to date, so it is still VERY important to keep up your vaccination status. Get the booster. If it turns out Omicron exhibits escape characteristics, another vaccine which better covers it will likely be available in 3-4 months, you'll need to get that as well. Our immune system has no limit to how much you can train it to do. Next, continue masking when in high risk settings. These would include most indoor settings and any heavily-crowded outdoor ac-

tivities. Remember, when you take off your mask for any reason you are putting yourself at risk. Limit that risk. The social separation thing is probably over except for checkout lines.

We've just gone through the Thanksgiving holiday where airline and other forms of travel were as high if not higher than pre-pandemic levels. Clearly people felt short-changed after missing the holidays last year. We will soon know how well we protected ourselves. There are still two more holidays ahead, many bowl games and ensuing celebrations.

Vaccination is critical to making these activities safer and masking is key. If everyone acts responsibly, there's no reason the holidays can't be enjoyed with a fair degree of safety.

Two mindsets have

dominated this pandemic since the outset, one has been excessive optimism, the other crippling fear. Neither serves a purpose. Excess optimism encouraged us to discard critical safeguards far too early with devastating consequences, fear makes us withdraw into social isolation. We need to move away from these two extremes. Our mindset needs to adjust from viewing COVID as a pandemic, which it no longer is, to viewing COVID as having become endemic, which it has. We have to realize that we will not beat COVID, but will need to learn to live with it. Maybe I'm wrong, but based on how unsuccessfully we've controlled this disease for close to two years now, I'm pretty sure I'm not.

Doc H

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Worship Service.....10:15 am

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Sunday: Rotating schedule of Holy Eucharist and Morning Prayer with music at 9:00 AM in the sanctuary.

Services are LiveStreamed on Youtube: "Emmanuel Parish Coos Bay", 541.269.5829 • www.EpiscopalCoosBay.org

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Lost Soldier’s Mine: A lost ledge of rocks worth \$8 a pound?

By **FINN J.D. JOHN**
Guest Article

Early in the summer of 1853, deep in the Coquille Mountains of what’s now Douglas County, six U.S. soldiers were trudging dispiritedly through a trackless wilderness.

The wilderness wasn’t totally trackless, though, because that’s what the soldiers were there to do: scout a route through the mountains, from Port Orford to Jacksonville.

The problem was, they were lost. The track they were scouting wasn’t going anywhere until they figured out how to get un-lost. And they were almost out of supplies, so if that didn’t happen soon, they’d all starve to death.

As evening approached, Lieutenant George Stoneman called a halt. “We may as well camp here for the night,” he said.

So the men set about making their camp. Private Manley Martin was sent down to the creek for water while the others - Sergeant Mann and Privates McKenna, Schlisk, and Schnedicker - set about the usual tasks: fire, bivouacs, etc.

Down at the creek, Private Martin was filling the canteens when he saw a glint of yellow in a rock in the streambed. Drawing his saber, he used it to pry the rock loose, and then he picked it up. It was white, with a streak of yellow running through it.

Martin was probably a little disappointed. He probably had hoped the gold gleam came from a nugget in the stream bed. The California Gold Rush, which had broken out five years earlier in 1848, was still in full swing, and one of the many bad things about Army life in 1853 was being stationed so close to the diggings, with no opportunity to do anything about it.

It would be good for a joke anyway, he thought, and pocketed the rock and headed back to camp.

“Hey, look at this,” he told his comrades when he got there. “I found gold!”

Everyone laughed - everyone but one fellow soldier, who stared at the rock.

“That really is gold,” he said. “That’s a piece of decomposed quartz with a gold thread through it. Where did you find that?”

Everyone scrambled to his feet, and the soldiers followed Martin back to the creek where he’d filled the canteens. The soldier who recognized the quartz quickly started scouting uphill and upstream from the spot, and after a time found what he was looking for: the ledge of decomposed quartz, a piece of which had broken off and rolled down into the creek and washed down to where Martin had found it. It looked like the real deal - a vast fortune in rich gold ore.

Before they moved on the next day, Lieutenant Stoneman had the men blaze four trees in a square centered on their campsite and carve their names into it. That way, they had a chance of finding the place again, after their enlistments came up and they were released from the Army. Deserting or going AWOL wasn’t really an option with Stoneman in the know; the lieutenant was a career Army man and a stickler for regulations. He would later rise through the ranks and retire as a general, later serving as governor of California.

So the men trudged on, hurrying to reach Port Orford before their supplies ran out, dreaming about the fabulous riches that awaited them after the Army released them.

SO GOES THE origin story for one of Southern Oregon’s most famous lost-gold-mine stories: The Lost Soldier Mine.

The soldiers, of course, returned to the field as early as they could, but

that wasn’t very early. The site was too far into the bush for a weekend trip, so they had to wait until they mustered out of the Army before taking up the search. By the time that happened, all of them had forgotten how to get back to the campsite.

Another soldier, Capt. William Packwood, had also mustered out of the Army at about the same time, intending to join the Gold Rush. Packwood was a good friend of Private Ross McKenna, who told him everything he knew and remembered about the ledge, and it was in Packwood’s mind a great deal as he worked on his own claims. But then he hit a worthwhile pocket of gold on one of them, and for several years after that, he was busy enough with his bird-in-the-hand to not have much time to think about the bird-in-the-bush McKenna had told him about.

Years went by. Packwood’s claim played out, and he moved to Enchanted Prairie to try his hand at farming. There, one day, he got talking to some prospectors, who said they’d found the soldiers’ camp and their blazed trees, but no sign of the ledge.

Intrigued, Packwood set out on the 50-mile trek to the site with a neighbor to try his own luck. Like the prospectors, he found the campsite readily enough; but there was no sign of the ledge.

He and the neighbor hunted for some time, then gave up and headed home to their farms.

That August, Packwood saw a man approaching his cabin. He quickly recognized him: it was his old friend and Army comrade, Manley Martin, whom he hadn’t seen since 1853.

Over supper, Martin told Packwood the reason for his visit: He’d heard about Packwood finding the old campsite. The ledge, he said, was not in the campsite; it was several miles away from it. He, Martin, could easily find the ledge, if he could find the campsite; and Packwood knew where the campsite was. Would Packwood like to team up and go make some money?

Yes, Packwood would! But Packwood, unfortunately, had a big mouth, as soldiers often do. So when, in the middle of the two men packing their kit for their journey, a neighbor named Mr. Brown dropped by and asked what they were up to, Packwood told him.

Brown then begged to be allowed to come along, and Packwood said that was fine, and off went Brown to pack up his own stuff.

This turned out to be a very expensive mistake.

The problem was, it was 1861. Pro-Confederate and pro-Union men had started killing each other in April of that year, and it was now August. Manley Martin was from Kentucky and was a committed Confederate rebel sympathizer; Brown, as it turned out, was a passionate abolitionist and zealous Union man. Packwood had his hands full keeping his two traveling companions from murdering one another. They quarreled and battled all the way to the campsite.

Finally, with what must have been a profound sigh of relief, Packwood brought his belligerent companions into the clearing at the center of the blazed trees, where a skilled woodsman could still plainly discern the five-year-old remnants of the soldiers’ encampment.

Martin promptly disappeared into the bush and was gone all day, returning just before dusk. Packwood figured he’d gone to make sure the ledge was still there.

But the following morning, Manley Martin coldly informed his companions that he’d decided not to look for the ledge, and

stalked off in the direction of the Rogue River road.

Packwood was unable to persuade him to stay. Plus, he was sick of the constant bickering. So he let him go. Most likely he expected to find the ledge himself anyway - it could only be within a few dozen yards of the creek, up a steep slope, somewhere upstream from the campsite. Now that he knew it wasn’t inside the square of blazed trees, it should be easy to find, right?

But it wasn’t. Finally, out of time and out of patience, Packwood and Brown returned to their farms. And a week or two later, Packwood got a letter from Martin.

Martin wrote that he had, as Packwood and Brown had surmised, gone to the ledge on that day, and taken some samples off of it. But he’d gotten so angry with Brown that he didn’t want to share his find with him, so he’d decided to come back later. But, he added, when he got the ore samples assayed, they turned out not to be as rich as he’d thought they would be - only \$200 a ton or so. So, he’d decided to skip it.

Whether that was true or not, Packwood never learned. A little later that year, gold was discovered on China Creek out in Eastern Oregon, and Packwood - who knew from experience the importance of getting to the diggings early - flew to the scene. There, he staked and worked a fruitful claim and became one of the most prominent citizens of the town of Auburn.

It wasn’t until 1914 when, as an old man, William Packwood returned to the scene of the soldiers’ lost ledge in the Coquille Mountains.

When he arrived, he found that a forest fire had burned through the canyon, destroying the blazed trees and all the landmarks that he’d noted.

Not that it much mattered; it had, after all, been more than 50 years since he’d last been there. It would have been transformed beyond recognition anyway.

In the end, the ledge went undiscovered. So far as is known, somewhere in the mountains near Cow



Contributed photo

A gold miner works his pan at the Cow Creek Recreational Gold Panning Area.

Creek that ledge still peeps through the topsoil, and many local hunters and fishermen over the years have kept an eye out for it on the off-chance of rediscovering it.

And, if Manley Martin’s “\$200 a ton” estimate is correct, it would be a fabulously rich mine. \$200 would buy almost 10 ounces of gold in 1861; today, that amount of gold would fetch about \$15,725 - per ton. That’s about \$400 in

every five-gallon bucket of rocks.

Which might have been a fair-to-middling prospect, as mines went, during the height of the California Gold Rush; but it’s pretty dazzling today.

(Sources: Lost Mines and Treasures of the Pacific Northwest and Treasure Hunting Northwest, two books by Ruby El Hult published by Binfords & Mort in 1957 and 1971 respectively; Gold Dust:

Stories of Oregon’s Mining Years, a book written and published by Kerby Jackson in 2011)

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The Coos County Noxious Weed Board presents:

Weed of the Month

English Holly - *Ilex aquifolium*

ID Tips:
Leaves are thick, glossy, dark green and wavy, 1-3 inches long
Flowers are small, whitish, and sweetly scented
Bunches of red, yellow or orange berries, poisonous to people and pets, but not to birds
Grows in shade or sun

What! Holly is a weed!?
Yes! Most people are familiar with Holly as a garden ornamental and in holiday decor.
Why is it a weed?

- carried by birds around town and into forests causing dense thickets.
- shade suppresses germination and growth of native trees and shrub species.

English Holly thicket

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Katlynn Strickler

American Legion names winner in speech contest

A Coos Bay resident was the winner of The American Legion Bay Area Post Oratorical Contest. Katlynn Strickler won the contest held at the Coos Bay Elks 1160. Strickler, a ninth-grade, home-schooled student, earned \$150 and will now compete at the district level against winners of contests in other communities. Strickler delivered a prepared oration as well as an oration on a randomly assigned constitutional topic. She impressed the judges with her speech and the way she presented her speech. Since 1938, The American Legion High School Oratorical Scholarship Program has encouraged the nation’s high school students to study the U.S. Constitution and to hone their public speaking skills. For additional information, visit legion.org/oratorica

Sportsbook opens at Three Rivers



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Three Rivers Casino Resort in Florence recently opened its new Sportsbook, a place for people to watch and bet on sporting games.

Florence casino opens largest sportsbook screen in state

Three Rivers Casino Resort is recently announced the opening of their Sportsbook. The Sportsbook is centrally located next to the nonsmoking gaming floor, sports bar and Riverside Food court and features a 200 square foot LED wall that is the largest sportsbook screen in the state. Guests will enjoy an incredible view of any game from one of 32 seats and will be able to make bets on any one of six kiosks located on the casino floor as well as in the Sportsbook. Rich Colton, director of marketing for Three Rivers Casino Resorts, said “We are very pleased with how the Sportsbook has turned out. Most of the renovation was completed in house by our facilities team. Our guests are going to have a great time watching the games and placing bets on their favorite professional or collegiate teams. This gives the resort one more amenity to offer our guests, and we couldn’t be happier” Three Rivers Casino Resort has worked on this project for more than a year with ISI Race and Sports, from Las Vegas, a global provider of turnkey race and sportsbook software and solutions since 1999. Rick Ray, director of gaming at Three Rivers Casino Resorts, said “First, I’d like to thank our loyal guests for being so patient while we prepared our Sportsbook for opening. Before we opened we wanted to make sure that we could offer the best possible experience for our sports bettors, and we feel we’ve done that with our six easy-to-use kiosks and our 200 square foot LED wall with the ability to show up to six games at once. I am confident that we have succeeded, and I am excited for our loyal guests and new guests alike.”

Judith Ann Mogan Foundation gifts to support communities on South Coast

Thanks to three generous grants, Oregon Health & Science University patients and students will benefit from programs serving rural communities on Oregon’s South Coast. The Judith Ann Mogan Foundation, a Coos Bay-based philanthropic organization launched in 2020, made three gifts totaling \$240,000 aimed at helping patients living in Coos and Curry counties access specialized OHSU care as well as help recruit future health care professionals to the region. **Support for patients with cancer from the Southern Oregon Coast** Approximately 400 people from Coos and Curry counties, many of whom have experienced increased financial strain or housing insecurity during the COVID-19 pandemic, have

traveled to receive cancer treatment at the OHSU Knight Cancer Institute. Recognizing the financial burdens and limited housing options many patients who need to travel for care face, this grant provides patient support funds to ease the physical and emotional strain for patients and their families. Specifically, the \$25,000 grant will help cover housing and travel expenses, medication assistance and other emergency needs for those most in need from Coos and Curry counties. “With this generous funding, patients who need to travel for their care are able to receive the most advanced, individualized care at the Knight Cancer Institute,” said Susan Hedlund, M.S.W., director of patient and family support services at the OHSU Knight Cancer Institute. “The resources from the Patient Support Fund will offer patients and their families the ability to navigate the unique and often complex issues that affect their treatment journey.” **Expanding efforts to remove the barriers between children, families and better health** Having a child with a complex health condition, such as diabetes, chronic pain or cystic fibrosis, is challenging under any circumstance. However, when a family is also impacted by social determinants of health like employment, food or housing insecurity or unreliable transportation, young patients may be at greater risk for adverse health outcomes. Since 2011, Novel Interventions in Child Healthcare, or NICH, at OHSU

Doernbecher Children’s Hospital, has worked with community programs and regional insurance providers to improve care, reduce costs and advance health for youth whose medical needs are compounded by social challenges. NICH fills the gap in the continuum of care and serves primarily youth from underserved and underrepresented populations. At no cost to the family, the young patient is paired with a NICH interventionist who serves as a ‘command central’ in helping families with social challenges manage their child’s health, find resources in meeting day-to-day needs, and navigating a complex and confusing health care system. With a grant from the Mogan Foundation, totaling more than \$200,000 over the course of three years, NICH will expand its services to Coos and Curry counties. Beginning January 2022, patients up to age 18 who live on Oregon’s South Coast will have 24-hour access to NICH interventionists who will help to create more opportunities to build trusting relationships between families and their providers. “When a family’s day-to-day needs are not met, it can become impossible to care for a child living with a chronic health condition,” said Michael Harris, Ph.D., professor of pediatrics in the OHSU School of Medicine, and director of NICH. “Through NICH, we work to remove barriers to care – whether its access to medication or medical equipment, transportation to an appointment, or language support – to ensure more patients and families, including those on the South Coast, have better access to the health care services they require and deserve.” **Exposing OHSU Campus for Rural Health students to benefits of working, living on South Coast** Like many rural areas, the South Coast has a shortage of health care providers in primary care, dental care and mental health care for low-income and other underserved populations. OHSU’s Campus for Rural Health offers OHSU students studying a variety of health professions the chance to experience rural medicine with clinical rotations, community-based projects and collaborative housing in Coos Bay and elsewhere in the state.

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