

# Dozens of Oregon's South Coast Since 1878 undercounting homeless students

Homeless students can get assistance from schools, but unless they're identified, they get none

#### By KAYLEE TORNAY InvestigateWest

Madysun Wilson had already given up on graduating when the dean at her high school showed up during her shift at Papa Murphy's in Coos Bay.

She was technically homeless, crashing at a friend's house after leaving her family home at 15. Casey McCord, the dean, had been calling her relatives for weeks letting them know Wilson was on the verge of dropping out of Marshfield High School.

The next day, Wilson agreed to come to her school, where McCord marched her to the back of the building to introduce her to Melinda Torres. Torres is the employee tasked with connecting with and supporting homeless students in the Coos Bay School District.

Torres urged Wilson not to drop out — offering that if she really didn't want to finish her studies at Marshfield, the school could help pay for her General Equivalency Diploma. They could also help her get clothes and food. It worked: Wilson passed her high-school-equivalency tests in December 2021 and now, at 17, is working toward an associate degree at Southwestern Oregon Community College. She dreams of working with homeless youth in the future.

"For the majority of my life, I didn't think I was going to graduate high school," Wilson said. But with help, she decided, "I wanted to (do) better. I want to get out of Coos Bay."

In a way, Wilson was lucky to attend Marshfield, where staff at her school kept track of her living situation and pushed her to complete her GED. Many schools across Oregon are far less successful in identifying homeless students and connecting them with food, shelter and academic support, an InvestigateWest analysis found.

Federal law requires every district across the country to provide students experiencing homelessness full access to school and extracurriculars. But first, those students need to be identified — and at least 16 Oregon school districts with more than 20 students enrolled failed to identify a single homeless student during the 2019-20 school year, federal education data shows.

No homeless students might sound like good news, but experts say it reflects schools' inability to identify homeless youth rather than actual levels of poverty and homelessness in their communities.

"If you're a tiny, rural district with 11 students, yeah, sure," said Barbara Duffield, executive director of SchoolHouse Connection, a national nonprofit focused on improving outcomes for homeless youth. "But otherwise, you're not going to have a district that has no student experiencing homelessness, especially year after year."

Additionally, data analysis by InvestigateWest and the Center for Public Integrity suggests at least 21% of Oregon districts are under-identifying the number of homeless students attending their schools.

The problem of undercounting is not unique to the Beaver State. Public Integrity's analysis estimates that, nationwide, as many as 300,000 homeless students might be going uncounted each year. Black, Latino and Native Alaskan and American Indian youth were overrepresented in the homeless student population.



Coos Bay community members who are up to 21 years old and their families can visit the ARK Project at Marshfield High School, which Melinda Torres runs for the school district. (Michael Sullivan/InvestigateWest)

Failing to identify homeless students isn't simply a matter of bureaucratic bookkeeping. It can mean the difference between a student accessing free school meals or going hungry; getting to participate in athletics or missing out; or receiving help with transportation to school or being dropped, particularly in Oregon, where the



"For the majority of my life, I didn't think I was going to graduate high school," Madysun Wilson said. But with help, she decided, "I wanted to (do) better." (Michael Sullivan/ InvestigateWest)

law requires schools to unenroll students after 10 consecutive days of unexcused absences.

In Wilson's case, she believes her story would be quite different without the intervention by her school.

"Honestly, I could see myself still working at that Papa Murphy's, doing nothing," she said. "Thank

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# Bus Jam donors race to meet a growing need

By DAVID RUPKALVIS For The World

A down economy has made it a tough Christmas season for many in Coos County, which makes the work done by volunteers for Bus Jam even more important this year.

On Saturday, that work began to pay off as people showed up in droves to stuff school buses in front of Bi-Mart in Coos Bay and North Bend.

In North Bend, the Bus Jam volunteers, many from the Coos Bay-North Bend Rotary Club and K-Dock, the two sponsors of the event, hoped for 2,500 gifts to be delivered in the five hours Bus Jam was collecting toys.

But that goal was shattered early in the day. Before 1 p.m., more than 4,000 gifts had been brought to the

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Photo by David Rupkalvis/For The World Amee Springsteen, director of Miss Coos County, sorts through gifts donated during Bus Jam at the North Bend Bi-Mart. Springsteen said after a slow start, donors came through in a big way, with more than 4,000 gifts donated in North Bend with several hours still to go. The gifts donated in both North Bend and Coos Bay will be sorted through and set up so parents can "shop" for Christmas gifts for their children next weekend.

# A close call during bad weather in North Bend



Bad weather and poor visibility played a role in a rollover accident Wednesday on Newmark Avenue in North Bend. The North Bend Fire Department reported the two occupants of the truck were able to exit the vehicle safely and without serious injury before firefighters arrived. The fire department did close Newmark while working at the scene. In a Facebook post, the fire department urged drivers to slow down and be extra cautious during inclement weather.

Photo contributed by North Bend Fire Department



# **Commissioners honor Lowell Ostrom as Senior Volunteer of the Month**

Douglas County Commissioners Tim Freeman, Chris Boice, and Tom Kress, along with Douglas County Senior Services Department announced that Lowell Ostrom was awarded the Douglas County Senior Services Volunteer of the Month award for November. Kress was honored to present Lowell with the award at the Bistro Sixty Senior Dining Site in Reedsport earlier this month. Bistro Sixty Reedsport which is located inside the Lower Umpqua Senior Center on 460 Winchester Avenue in Reedsport.

"Dedicated volunteers like Lowell show up day-in and day-out to meet the needs of seniors through our Meals on Wheels program. This isn't just an activity for him, he's made it part of his personal community. We are very grateful to have him as part of the Douglas County Senior Services family," remarked Kress, liaison commissioner to Douglas County Senior Services.

Food Service Worker Karen Robertson nominated Lowell as Douglas County Senior Services Volunteer of the Month.

She said, "Lowell started out as a temporary substitute helper, but that was twelve years ago! He is here every day and helps train new people. Lowell is willing to do whatever needs to be done. He is so very appreciated."

Lowell saw a need 12 years ago when he was enjoying a meal at the senior center. He noticed that one of the regular volunteers was out and the dishes had started to pile up. He rolled up his sleeves and started clearing dishes. An Army veteran, he's lived in Douglas County since 1979, and made a career as a refrigeration serviceman until 2007. Lowell has found a family at the Bistro Sixty Reedsport and pours his heart into volunteering there. When not volunteering at Bistro Sixty in Reedsport or watching NASCAR, he spends time in the country, especially traversing logging roads just enjoying God's creation.

Lowell said, "I started as a diner, and then designated myself as a dish scraper. I've assisted in every role here and love serving as a driver now. I'm 75 years old and a lot of my family and friends and neighbors have passed on. Bistro Sixty has become a family to me.



Contributed photo Commissioner Tom Kress presents Lowell Ostrom with the November Volunteer of the Month certificate.



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Coos Bay Public Library is collaborating with Dan McAvoy of South Coast Business to recruit volunteers for VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) at five different times in the library's Cedar Room:

- Saturday, December 10 from 1 3 p.m.
- Wednesday, December 14 from 10 a.m. noon
- Saturday, December 17 from 2 4 p.m.
- Tuesday, December 20 from 4 6 p.m.
- Thursday, December 29 from 10 a.m.-noon

VITA's recruiting volunteers of all ages to assist low to moderate income families prepare their taxes for free. No experience necessary. Receive specialized training, become IRS certified, choose your own hours, learn valuable skills, and work with experienced tax professionals. Program runs mid-January to April 15. Be part of the VITA team and give back to your community!

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Christmas celebrations continue in Old Town Bandon Saturday, December 10th with the grand finale, Bandon's Lighted Street Parade, scheduled to begin at 5:30.

The afternoon kicks off at 3 p.m. with a nog walk/ cider stroll through Old Town. Many merchants will be providing cider, eggnog, wine and other refreshments along with many bargains for Christmas shoppers. Glasses for the Nog Walk will be available at the glass picnic shelter on the boardwalk from 3 to 4:30 p.m.

You also catch up with the choir singing carols at Coastal Mist at 4 p.m.

If you're interested in being in the parade, it's easy. You can light up yourself, your car, your truck, your bike, your horse, or your dog. We've had everything from log trucks to tiny tots participate, so it's truly fun for the whole family. The more lights we have the more fun and magical the event becomes. Here's a link to the registration page: https:// forms.gle/NCT9wcX8Q9tS-8gMV8. For more information on the parade, call (541) 551-1663.





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#### **DATA REVEALS** DISPARITIES

In the late 1980s, homelessness was rapidly rising in the United States, and women and children were making up an increasing share of the unhoused population.

So in 1986, Congress passed the Homeless Persons' Survival Act, which was later renamed the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act. It included a broad range of emergency measures and long-term interventions. One of those was a requirement that schools ensure homeless students had access to the same educational opportunities as their non-homeless peers.

That work begins with identification of students, which is why the law requires districts to report their numbers of students each year. State departments of education, meanwhile, are tasked with providing professional development opportunities for school districts and enforcing their compliance with the law.

Some research suggests that an accurate or even conservative estimate of homelessness in a student body should wind up totaling at least 5% of students who qualify for free and reduced lunch. The Florida Department of Education has even incorporated that as a statewide benchmark to ensure schools are not missing students.

In Oregon, dozens of districts fell below that benchmark in the school years preceding the pandemic, data from the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 school years show.

In 2018-19, 37 Oregon school districts counted less than 5% of their free and reduced lunch populations as homeless. That number ticked up the following year, to 42 districts, including the Salem-Keizer School District with 41,200 students and Wallowa School District with 181 students.

In fact, the number of districts potentially undercounting their homeless students could be higher, because Public Integrity's dataset omitted charter schools, which, in Oregon, means about 30 school districts are excluded from the analysis. Another 24 school districts that did not report reliable data on their free and reduced lunch population were also not included in the analysis

Education officials said they don't use a benchmark to assess whether districts are accurately counting their homeless students. Chris James, the department's senior strategic adviser for homeless and vulnerable youth, said he views the state's approach as collaborative rather than punitive. Oregon education officials did not provide any examples of the state challenging a district's data or the fact it reported no homeless students.

not to be the heavy hand of enforcement, as much as helping them," James said of the state's approach to the issue.

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"In my experience, it is

Education, which has oversight of the states, described a similar approach. States where school districts fail to follow the law are subject to increased monitoring, but the federal agency would not tell Public Integrity how often

that the agency "engages in

monitoring and compliance activities that can include investigating alleged non-compliance."

Advocates, though, said accountability from the state and federal department of education can be critical to ensuring students don't go uncounted.

"If a district doesn't think there are any consequences for not identifying students — for not transporting them, not enrolling them — they'll just keep doing it," said Duffield, the executive director of SchoolHouse Connection.

About a dozen school districts reported zero homeless students in both 2018-2019 and 2019-2020. The majority of those schools serve extremely rural areas or small towns, largely in Eastern Oregon. All have fewer than 1,000 students.

Grant School District 3 in Grant County, which had a student population of 594 in 2019-2020, reported no homeless students both that year and the previous year, though 50.8% of its students qualified for free or reduced lunch.

"It's frustrating for me to not know," said Catrina Gabbard, the district's homeless liaison since 2016. Under the McKinney-Vento law, each district is required to designate at least one staff member as a homeless liaison who is responsible for connecting students with resources, reporting data and training other staff on the law so they can assist with identification.

Larger school districts may have more than one person designated as homeless liaisons. But as is common in many smaller districts, Gabbard wears multiple hats: She is also an administrative assistant at an elementary school.

Gabbard attributed most of her difficulty identifying students to stigma. In one instance, she learned that a student was homeless only after they left the district and later returned. They had never told any school staff or even informed their extended family members while it was happening, she said.

"I don't know what to do.

It is a hard thing to tackle," Gabbard said.

Research has shown that rural students experience homelessness at rates roughly equivalent to those in urban communities. And the definition of homelessness in education is broader than that used by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

"I would definitely be very suspicious of a number of school districts in a county saying zero students are experiencing homelessness," said Marisa Zapata, director of the Homelessness Research and Action Collaborative, a research center at Portland State University.

Liz Ross, director of federal systems for the Oregon Department of Education, said in an email that the department "reviews data for outliers, trends and patterns, size of district, as well as extenuating circumstances (such as natural disasters) prior to determining if outreach is necessary.'

Not all rural communities appear to undercount homeless students. Elsewhere in Eastern Oregon, the tiny Long Creek School District had identified several students as homeless among its population, despite being a tenth of the size of Grant School District 3. About half of its 39 students qualify for free and reduced lunch, and the district reported just over 7% of all students experienced homelessness in 2019-20.

Jennifer Garinger is the homelessness coordinator for the district, the deputy clerk and the office manager. She said her multifaceted roles and her family's connections in the town all help ensure that students don't slip through the cracks. One sonin-law is assistant fire chief and drives a school bus, and another is the youth pastor and a coach.

"It's just Long Creek culture," Garinger said. "What works here is the kids and the families just know they can ask (for help).

Still, she said, certain aspects of small-town life can also impede the identification of homeless students. It's not uncommon for

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families to live in multigenerational households or to move into a trailer on someone else's property, she said. Both of those situations could qualify a student for McKinney-Vento services, but they're not the kind of "traditional homelessness" residents might think of, Garinger said.

Often, "by the time (students are) counted, they're housed," she said. Effective partnerships

remain rare

Mary Ferrell knows the challenges of effectively supporting students experiencing homelessness from within school walls.

She did it for several vears in the Medford School District in Southern Oregon as a homeless liaison before launching a new venture: a nonprofit that works adjacent to the schools in the region to support the work of identifying and assisting homeless students and their families.

That was in 2009. Now. 13 years later, the Maslow Project has relationships with seven school districts and manages the McKinney-Vento subgrants awarded to four of them. The students they serve are typically identified by their schools' liaisons and then are connected with Maslow Project caseworkers who help them and their families with everything from clothing to academic support to temporary and permanent shelter.

'The nice and unique thing about Maslow is we are able to leverage ... the funding we get through individual donations and grants to pair up with the school funding that we manage," Ferrell said. "We're able to make that money go further because of the type of nonprofit we are." None of the districts

included in Public Integrity's dataset that Maslow works with fell below the 5% of free and reduced lunch threshold, suggesting the collaborative outreach approach is bearing fruit in identifying students.

The students who work with Maslow also graduate at higher rates than in other parts of Oregon: In 2021, 88% of the students connect-

ed with Maslow graduated, compared with 60.5% of homeless students across the state, according to the

nonprofit. Torres, the McKinney-Vento liaison in Coos Bay, was inspired by a Maslow training she attended. After learning about the project's drop-in center where students could find clothing, food and other essential resources, Torres decided to try to re-create the center in her district.

Today, Coos Bay community members who are up to 21 years old and their families can visit the ARK Project at Marshfield High School, which Torres runs for the school district. The site offers laundry access, food and hygiene products, clothing, and school supplies.

"We also help with getting birth certificates, permits, licenses, GED testing prep," Torres said.

Bowie Rae Sekne moved to Coos Bay shortly after his 18th birthday and now receives support from the ARK Project. Housing disruption is not new to him: Throughout his childhood, he said, family issues frequently led him and his siblings to spend nights in hotels or at their grandmother's house.

No one at his school ever identified him for McKinney-Vento services.

"I didn't get as much support that I really needed," Sekne said.

Torres has helped him secure copies of his birth certificate and Social Security card, and together they're working to get Sekne his learner's permit to drive. For the first time in a long time, he's excited about his future.

"Especially with homeless youth," Sekne said, "it's really hard to have the tools you need to work on school stuff."

Other times, Torres' work involves more broadly circulating information about what rights students experiencing homelessness have. They are entitled to retain enrollment in their school of origin even if they move out of the district, for example, and the district is required to help with transportation if needed.

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**By Abigail Van Buren** 

# **SERIAL CHEATER BOYFRIEND IS UP TO HIS OLD TRICKS**

**DEAR ABBY:** I have been with my boyfriend, "Robert," for 10 years. We live together, and he helps me raise my preteen daughter. Recently, Robert has decided that he is "entitled to privacy." He has locked me out of his computer and phone and refuses to share his passwords.

Some history: Robert has cheated on me more than 20 times in the past, with an almost-encounter happening as recently as three months ago. thwarted only after I saw some text messages on his phone. Last week, I discovered that he used the search term "sex" on a website that's notorious for facilitating random hookups. I was furious.

Robert is now using my reaction to justify locking me out of his devices. I am finally putting my foot down and telling him this is the red line for me -- if he doesn't allow me unrestricted access to his devices, I can no longer be in a relationship with him. He is still refusing, so we are now at an impasse. Am I crazy? --LIVID IN LAS VEGAS

DEAR LIVID: You ARE crazy if you stay in a relationship with someone who has not only cheated on you more than 20 times in the past, but is now hell-bent on continuing. You know what he is doing. You know he won't change. Access to his passwords isn't the answer. ENOUGH, already!

DEAR ABBY: I'm a woman who is all for greater acceptance of LGBTQ people, but I wish strangers wouldn't assume an intimate relationship exists when it doesn't. On more than one occasion. I have been with a woman friend, and the nurse or proprietor has said something that implies we are "partners." We're not! We're just friends assisting each other or having a meal together. It's embarrassing to be identified as something

we're not. There's also no comeback to correct the misidentification that wouldn't make the situation worse. My plea is that everyone be treated courteously, without making assumptions. What do you think, Abby? -- STRAIGHT, BUT NOT NARROW

**DEAR STRAIGHT: I** agree with your sentiments. It is presumptuous to assume that because two people of the same sex are socializing that they're a couple. However, there is an effective response to correct someone who assumes you and your friend are a gay couple. All you have to do is smile and say three magic words, preferably in unison: "We're just friends." Consider it an opportunity to educate.

**DEAR ABBY:** My daughter went to visit her in-laws with her husband and two children. Her mother-in-law is an amazing cook. While they were having dinner, my daughter said to her, "This is so delicious, I would love to have the recipe." Her mother-in-law replied, "My recipes are for family only." My daughter was deeply hurt, and their relationship has never been the same. What would be the best way to handle this cutting remark and help their relationship move forward? -- NOT FAMILY IN CALIFORNIA

**DEAR NOT FAMILY:** The best way would be for your daughter's husband to tell his mother how hurtful her response was, and for the woman to apologize to your daughter and offer her the recipe because, like it or not, her daughter-in-law IS "family."

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

# Timothy Allen Haga

May 15, 1975 - November 8, 2022







A Celebration of Life was held for Tim Haga, 47, of North Bend, at 4 p.m. Friday, November 18, 2022 at Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay. Cremation rites were held under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary. In honor of Tim and his love for the Oregon Ducks, the family asks those who are attending to wear green and yellow.

Tim was born May 15, 1975, in Centralia, Washington, the son of Christine and Brad Haga. He passed away November 8, 2022, in Eugene, surrounded by his family.

Tim was raised and educated in Coquille and North Bend, Oregon, where he graduated from North Bend High School. After school, he remained in the area working for the family business D&H Logging running heavy machinery primarily, his favorite, the Delimber. Tim married his high school sweetheart, Angela Gallus in 1996 and had two beautiful children who he adored with all his heart. In August of 2001 he suffered a Traumatic Brain Injury which left him with physical and mental limitations; he was considered a miracle by the medical community.

Tim was a loving and

# Service Notices

A memorial service for Kenneth P. Knaak, 39, of Vancouver, Washington, formerly of the Bay Area, will be held at 2 pm, Saturday, December 10, 2022 at the Centro de Fe Church, 696 N. Collier Street in Coquille. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 www.coosbavareafunerals.com

kind father, grandfather, son, brother, nephew, and uncle. He never hesitated to share his silly personality doing all he could to make his family and friends laugh. Although his limitations from his Traumatic Brain Injury were a constant battle, he never let it keep him down. He continuously tried to do his best given his circumstances. His light will be missed by all who knew him! His faith in God was a big part of his life and that faith gave him the strength and courage to endure the daily challenges of his life.

He is survived by his daughter, Alysse Haga of North Bend; son and daughter-in-law, Bradley M. and Kolbee Haga of Fort Lewis, WA; his father and wife, Brad and Linda Haga of North Bend; sister and brother-in-law, Ahndrea and Patrick Ybarra of Coos Bay; three grandchildren, Grayson, Rowyn, and Maverick Haga; and niece and her husband, Aireannah and Marquis Wright and their son, Cameron.

He is preceded in death by his mother, Christine Haga; grandparents, Carl and May Holpainen; grandmother, Dorothy Haga; and daughterin-law, Kailan Haga.

# **DEATH NOTICES**

Dawn Adele Pugh, 93, of North Bend, passed away on November 30, 2022 in North Bend. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, www.coosbayareafunerals.com, 541-756-0440.





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# **Guest Column**

# Don't drink and drive

This is a letter to the World... But is isn't. It is letter to all the people who " take that one more drink" ;and foolishly drive. Because you hit a power pole and caused a complete blackout it directly caused a tragic fall..which took the life of a very special person.

This person was well respected, loved by all, and a part of a family who are devastated and lost now. Such a useless death. When you made such a decision to drink and drive...you have no idea of the tragic outcome to people you will never know. THINK TWICE BE-FORE YOU TAKE THAT EXTRA DRINK....but, for God's Sake... DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE!!! *A. Cotton* 

Coos Bay

# Telling the truth

This afternoon via e-mail, I got an uplifting update from an organization aptly titled Assange Defense. Four major international media outlets (LeMonde, El Pais, Der Spiegel and The Guardian), along with The New York Times, all released an open letter refuting the U.S. government's case against one of the greatest journalists who ever lived.

For years I've been outraged and troubled by the predicament of Julian Assange. Regardless of how anyone might feel about him, the facts do not support the case against him. And the facts are: (1) Julian Assange is guilty of no crime; and (2) Despite all the skepticism Mr. Assange's work has been subjected to, never once has he been caught passing on misinformation or lies. And here's the real reason this poor man has been detained and tortured for so long.

The day Julian started hiding at the Ecuadorian Embassy in London, prior to his arrest, was in 2012. That's a decade he's been denied his freedom. All for exposing ugly secrets, held by those in power throughout the world. Matters pertaining to governments, to military mischief, trade deal treachery, human rights abuses, ad nauseam, long kept hidden, were exposed for all who cared to see. This Empire's brutality, its criminality, its psychopathy, had nowhere to hide under Julian's watch.

All of what Julian Assange published was information we, as citizens, have a right to know. But throughout recorded history, empires have had this nasty habit of killing anyone caught blowing their covers.

Wikileaks held up a mirror for the oligarchs, so they could take a good long look at themselves. The image reflected back on politicians, CEOs, the surveillance apparatus and so on, wasn't pretty. Their response is to make a martyr of this man, because this is what authoritarians do. They are criminalizing journalism, making this man an example for anyone who might be tempted to do real journalism like Mr. Assange. Because telling the truth is supposed to be the job of a journalist; keeping the public informed, doing the polar opposite of what we can expect from corporate media's jaw waggers.

> Doro Reeves Coos Bay

# I GOT A DOZEN NEW GRAY HAIRS OVER THE COURSE OF WATCHING THAT WORLD CUP GAME.



# **Guest Column**

# HOLY COW! HISTORY HOLY COW! HISTORY

#### By J. MARK POWELL InsideSources.com

More than presidents have called 1600 Pennsylvania home. The White House has been a kind of landlocked Noah's Ark over the years. The Lincolns had nanny goats. William Howard Taft kept a beloved dairy cow on the premises. Teddy Roosevelt housed an incredible 23 species indoors and out, including a lion and a badger. And there have been more dogs and cats than you can shake the proverbial stick at.

But for sheer strangeness, Calvin Coolidge outdid them all.

Though the flinty New Englander wasn't known for personal warmth, Silent Cal had a soft spot in his heart for critters. When word got out that the president and first lady Grace Coolidge were animal lovers, Americans flooded them with living, breathing gifts. There were the obligatory canines, of course, so many that, "We always had more dogs than we could take care of," Coolidge later noted in his autobiography. They were nothing compared to tire baron Harvey Firestone's donated African pygmy hippo, a black bear sent from Mexico, and even two lion cubs, which the father of fiscal conservativism gave the less-thancuddly names "Tax Reduction" and "Budget Bureau."

Little is known about Mr. Joyce of Nitta Yuma, Miss., or why he thought the 30th president would have a hankering for fresh coon swimming in gravy for his big feast. But this much is certain: He misjudged the recipient.

Coolidge took one look at the fat female raccoon and fell in love with her. He wasted no time issuing one of those presidential pardons that turkeys so famously receive at this time of year and quickly named her Rebecca.

The wily Procyon lotor (its formal scientific name) not only knew how to cheat the hangman but she was equally talented at wiggling her war into the first family's hearts. They grew so fond of her that she was given a collar engraved with "Rebecca Raccoon of the White House" that Christmas. She liked to nestle in the president's lap as he sat beside the fireplace at night.



## **J. Mark Powell**

First Family named him Reuben. Not only did Cupid's arrows not fly, but Rebecca hated her suitor. The feeling was mutual. Reuben kept running away (once resulting in a nasty traffic iam on Pennsylvania

# **Guest Column**

# People Shouldn't be Encouraged to Keep Smoking

By KIM MURRAY InsideSources.com use, they have yet to change their stance. Cancer-related trade organiza-

There is a lot of focus on smoking in November because each year the American Lung Association spends the month focusing on lung cancer awareness and the American Cancer Society holds its annual Great American Smoke-Out. Strangely, during the push to guit smoking, there is no support for using safer alternatives for those who cannot give up smoking. Not only is there no mention of these known safer alternatives, but there is a misinformation campaign to discourage the use of safer alternatives.

Vapor products have disrupted the market as a consumer-driven product providing an alternative to smoking. There is no combustion involved, which means there is no smoke. Instead, the liquid in an e-cigarette is heated to create an aerosol with fewer chemicals than cigarette smoke. The vapor is inhaled by the user like a combustible cigarette. There is no tobacco in an e-cigarette. Because vapes often contain nicotine, which can come from tobacco or other sources, the Food and Drug Administration deemed vapor products to be tobacco products in 2016 and began regulating them.

After struggling for years to quit smoking, millions of consumers in the United States have switched to vapor products and no longer smoke. Rather than celebrating their success, the American Lung Association undermines the accomplishment of those who formerly smoked and told them they haven't really quit smoking.

Instead of campaigning for better enforcement of the laws prohibiting the sale of vapor products to minors, the American Cancer Society took the stance of completely ignoring the millions of adults (many of them parents) who used vapor technology to help themselves quit smoking. Previously, the ACS claimed that "switching to the exclusive use of e-cigarettes is preferable to continuing to smoke combustible products." After the 2019 surge in youth usage of vapor products, the ACS advised that e-cigarettes "should not be used to quit smoking." Despite a 50 percent reduction in youth e-cigarette

tions are also opposing the use of vapor products for people who cannot quit smoking. They fail to educate the public on the reduced risks of vaping versus the longknown risks of smoking and do nothing to promote the principles of harm reduction.

The Oncology Nursing Society recently updated its position statement on vaping. Unfortunately, the ONS statement contains misinformation claiming vaping is as toxic as secondhand smoke. ONS also perpetuates the myth that nicotine vapor products caused vaping lung injuries, which we now know was caused by contraband vapor products containing THC (tetrahydrocannabinol) from cannabis, not nicotine.

The American Association for Cancer Research and the American Society of Clinical Oncology recently updated their 2015 policy statement. In 2015 they said that the "elimination of combustible tobacco products would dramatically reduce the burden of tobacco-related death and disease," and that they "support every effort to reduce the use of combustible tobacco," finding e-cigarettes "as potentially harmful, and potentially beneficial products in this regard." Yet, in 2022, their only focus is on youth, effectively driving use by adults who smoke away from the potential benefits of vapor products.

In the United Kingdom, Cancer Research UK found that e-cigarettes "are far less harmful than smoking" and that for people who smoke, "e-cigarettes are an option to help them stop." It is shameful that health groups in the United States lag so far behind their counterparts in the UK, who are helping people who can't stop smoking simply by suggesting they switch to safer alternatives.

More than 16 million people in the United States currently suffer from smoking-caused illnesses, with 480,000 dying yearly of smoking-related diseases. Tragically, 5.6 million children living today will die of smoking-related causes if the country doesn't continue to work to end youth smoking initiation. The menagerie grew so large that the White House press dubbed it the "Pennsylvania Avenue Zoo."

So, it was no surprise when Vinnie Joyce's gift was delivered to the Executive Mansion late in the fall of 1926. That animal was different. It was meant to be eaten. For Thanksgiving dinner, no less. But the wouldbe entrée didn't have wings and feathers. It was a plump raccoon.

Strange as it sounds today, Americans ate a surprising amount of raccoon meat in the early 20th century. You could even find it in some grocery stores. (This, it should be pointed out, was long before the animal became associated with rabies.)

Those with discriminating palates reported it tasted like a cross between a young pig and (what else?) chicken, though not as fatty as possum. But she was also a bit of a spoiled brat. She clawed White House furniture and clothing and loved gnawing her way out of her wooden crate, prompting frantic rescue missions by Secret Service agents desperate to avoid telling their boss they had lost his pet on their watch.

First lady Grace Coolidge, who was as vivacious and outgoing as her husband was cool and reserved, particularly loved showing off Rebecca to the public and press. Though the encounters didn't always go as scripted.

Take the 1927 Easter Egg Roll. All the screaming kids and flashing cameras got on Rebecca's nerves. When she clawed at the first lady, she was promptly taken inside.

Even the president himself wasn't exempt from her outbursts. Coolidge made a public appearance with his wrist wrapped in bandages one day. Someone asked what had happened. "Rebecca," was all the taciturn president said, tersely. That incident resulted in her being banished to what later became the National Zoo. But the exile didn't last long. In a week she was back at the White House.

The Coolidges decided Rebecca needed companionship. So, a male raccoon was trapped in Virginia and brought to Washington. The

## Avenue) until he finally slipped away for good. Rebecca wasn't upset in the least.

The raccoon rode in the presidential limousine, tagged along on a family vacation to the South Dakota Black Hills, and was better behaved at 1928's Egg Roll.

However, as the Coolidges began contemplating their post-presidential life, it grew apparent there wasn't a place for Rebecca in it. They decided she needed to be with other animals once more. So it was sent back to the zoo in early 1929, this time for good.

That was one change too many, and Rebecca died a short time later.

It had been quite a ride, stretching from the backwoods of rural Mississippi to a comfortable spot inside one of the nation's premier mansions. And it is worth noting that Calvin Coolidge went to the grave himself not long afterward without having ever tasted raccoon meat. For Thanksgiving or otherwise.

#### ABOUT THE WRITER

J. Mark Powell is a novelist, former TV journalist and diehard history buff. Have a historical mystery that needs solving? A forgotten moment worth remembering? Please send it to HolyCow@ insidesources.com.

# Guest Column cont.

While everyone can agree that the best thing for lung health is to inhale nothing but fresh (unpolluted) air, those who choose to use nicotine should be encouraged to switch to a safer alternative. Most people who smoke want to quit, with many trying all sorts of methods, including FDA-approved nicotine replacement therapies to cold turkey to hypnosis and acupuncture. While these methods work for some people, they don't work for everyone.

For people who can't quit smoking, there are two choices. Either society can look the other way while those who smoke get sick and die, or people who smoke can be encouraged to switch to a safer alternative. Encouraging them to switch is the right thing to do, and it's appalling to see public health groups choose to leave them smoking instead.

#### ABOUT THE WRITER

Kim Murray is a research fellow at the Taxpayers Protection Alliance's Consumer Center. She wrote this for InsideSources.com.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Danelle Heikkila has been appointed Administrator. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to Amy L. Muenchrath, attorney for the Administrator, at MuenchrathLaw, LLC, 280 N. Collier St., Coquille, Oregon 97423, 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 probate clerk's office at the Coos County Courthouse, Probate Department 250 N Baxter, Coquille, Oregon 97423, Monday through Friday between 8 am and noon, and 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m., the Administrator, or the attorney for the Administrator, Amy L. Muenchrath, MuenchrathLaw, LLC, 280 N. Collier St., Coquille, Oregon 97423. Dated and first published this 6th day of December, 2022. Published: December 6, December 13 and December 20, 2022 The World & ONPA (ID:353769)

Legal Notices IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS SUMMONS Case No.16DR19001 In the Matter of the Marriage of: **REINA GABRIELA** JACKSON, Petitioner, and **CRAIG JOSHUA JACKSON,** 

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#### Respondent, and **TERESA ROBINSON,** Intervenor. **TO: REINA GABRIELLA**

JACKSON, Petitioner IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON: You are required to appear and answer the Motion to Intervene as a Party filed by Intervenor Teresa Robinson, and as an intervenor, her requested relief; Grandparent Visitation; Custody of Isabella Jackson; Guardianship of Isabella Jackson filed against you in the above-entitled case within thirty days from the date of service of this summons upon you. If you fail to do so, the Petitioner will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the Motion.

NOTICE TO REINA GABRI-ELLA JACKSON READ THESE PAPERS

CAREFULLY! You must "appear" in this case or the other side will win automatically. To "appear" you must file with the court a legal paper called a "motion" or "response". The "motion" or "response" must be given to the court clerk or administrator within 30 days of the date of first publication specified herein (see page 2 for date of first publication), along with the required filing fee. It must be in proper form and have proof of service on the intervenor's attorney or, if the intervenor does not have an attorney, proof of service on the intervenor. If you have questions, you

should see an attorney immediately. If you need help in finding an attorney, you may call the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service at (503) 684 3763 or toll free in Oregon at (800) 452 7636. SUMMARY STATEMENT OF THE OBJECT OF THE MO-HE DEM FOR RELIEF Intervenor has filed a Motion

legal guardianship of Isabella Jackson, a minor child. The

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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: KAREN K. McKINLEY. Deceased. Case No.22PB09708 **INFORMATION TO INTERESTED PERSONS** NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MICHAEL McKINLEY has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate of KAREN K. McKINLEY are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the personal representative at 195 N 13th Street, Lakeside, OR 97449, or through his attorney, Nathan B. McClintock, at PO Box 1178, Coos Bay, OR 97420, or in person at 936 Central Avenue, Coos Bay, Oregon, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative, or the lawyer for the personal representative, Nathan B. McClintock. Dated and first published on December 6, 2022. /s/Nathan B. McClintock, OSB

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#841520 Attorney for Personal Representative PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: Michael McKinley PO Box 58 Lakeside, OR 97449 (541) 751-3449. LAWYER FOR PERSONAL **REPRESENTATIVE:** Nathan B. McClintock, OSB #841520 Corrigall & McClintock P.O. Box 1178 Coos Bay, OR 97420 Telephone: (541) 269-1123 Fax: (541) 269-1126 Email: nmcclintock@epuerto. com Published: December 6, De-

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Notice of Public Auction **PURSUANT TO ORS CHAPTER 87** Notice is hereby given that the following vehicle will be sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 12/19/2022. The

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#### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR COOS COUNTY Case No. 22CV27567 SUMMONS

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DOE 1 and DOE 2, being the occupants of or parties in possession or claiming any right to possession of the Real Property commonly known as 110 N. 5th Street, Lakeside, OR 97449; DOE 3 and DOE 4, being the unknown heirs and devisees of Franklin Reese aka Franklin Kyle Reese, and also all other persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title, lien, or interest in the property described in the Complaint herein; APRIL RE-ESE, individually and as legal guardian of MURPHY MAE REESE, a minor; SHERRI LEIGH MOORE; and STATE OF OREGON, DEPART-MENT OF HUMAN SERVIC-ES, SENIOR AND DISABLED SERVICES DIVISION: Defendants **TO: DEFENDANTS DOE 3** AND DOE 4: IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON: You are hereby required to appear and defend the Complaint

filed against you in the above case within thirty days after the first date of publication of this summons, and if you fail to appear and defend, the Plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the Complaint. The object of the Complaint and the demand for relief are: The Plaintiff seeks to foreclose its trust deed on the subject real property described in the Complaint as described below in the amount of \$111,094.47 plus interest, late charges, costs, advances, and attorney's fees, and to cause the subject prop-

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erty to be sold by the Sheriff of Coos County, foreclosing the interests of all defendants in the real property with the proceeds applied to satisfy Plaintiff's lien. The real property is described as follows: Lot 11, Block 6, Lakeside, Coos County, Oregon. APN #: 4296000. Which currently has the address of 110 N. 5th Street, Lakeside, OR 97449.

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**Public Notice** Abandoned mobile home for sale that belonged to William Thomas, 1413 Hawthorne Ave #8, Reedsport, OR 97467. Home is a 1984 Fleetwood, Home ID Number 244970. and Serial Number 1DFL1AD510403853 Minimum Bid is: \$1762.00 (One Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty Two Dollars and XX/100) Sale is public bidding with sealed bids accepted 9am -2pm Monday thru Friday until Friday December 16, 2022 at Umpqua MHV, 1413 Hawthorne Ave, Reedsport, OR 97467. Telephone number: (541) 414-6410. Published: December 6 and December 13, 2022 The World & ONPA (ID:353883)

NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE On January 9th, 2023, at the hour of 10:00am at the front door of the Coos County Sheriff's Office, 250 N. Baxter St; Coquille, the defendant's interest will be sold, subject to redemption, in the real property commonly known as: 58689 Seven Devils Road, Bandon, OR 97411. The court case number is 11CV0059, where Western Sun Capital, Inc., dba Western Sun Capital, assignee of Sherri Norris, dba Western Sun Capital, is plaintiff, and MARJORIE L. LORANGE is defendant. The sale is a public auction to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check, in hand, made out to Coos County Sheriff's Office. For more information on this sale go to: http://oregonsheriffssales. org/. Published 11/29/22, 12/6/22, 12/13/22 and 12/20/22. The World/ONPA (ID:353559)

NOTICE OF SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET HEARING									
• For supplemental budgets proposing a change in any fund's expenditures by more than 10 percent.									
A public hearing on a proposed supplemental budget for Lakeside Rural Fire Protection District, for the current fiscal year, will be held at 115 N. 9th Street, Lakeside, OR. The hearing will take place on December 14, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. The purpose of the hearing is to discuss the supplemental budget with interested persons. A copy of the supplemental budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after December 14, 2022 at 750 Central Ave. Ste. 102 Coos Bay, OR, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.									

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED BUDGET CHANGES

AMOUNTS SHOWN ARE REVISED TOTALS IN THOSE FUNDS BEING MODIFIED

Resource	Amount	Expenditure - indicate Org. Unit / Prog. & Activity, and Object Class.	Amount
1		1 Debt Service/Bank Loan	\$16,000.00
2		2 Transfer to Acquisition Fund	\$300,150.00
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Revised Total Fund Resources		Revised Total Fund Requirements	\$659,000.00

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS, PROBATE DEPARTMENT In the Matter of the Estate of: PHILIP GORDON MURPHY, Decedent. Case No.: 22PB09032 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Jourdan Murphy has

been appointed Administrator. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to Amber Gies, attorney for the Administrator, Gies Law, LLC, 455 S 4th St., Suite 1, Coos Bay, OR 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 probate clerk's office at the Coos County Courthouse, Probate Department 250 N Baxter, Coquille, Oregon 97423, Monday through Friday between 8 am and noon, and 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m., the Administrator, or the attorney for the Administrator, Amber Gies, Gies Law, LLC, 455 S 4th Street, Suite 1, Coos Bay, OR 97420

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NORTHWEST CUSTOM to Intervene as a Party, in CONCEPTS the above-entitled case, 94729 QUIET VALLEY RD regarding custody, care, and MYRTLE POINT OR visitation issues regarding 2016 CHEV CRUISE VIN= Isabella Jackson, a minor 1G1PE5SB5G7119071 child of Petitioner and Amount due on lien \$10632.27 Respondent. The specific Reputed owner(s) LEXI requested relief: Intervenor ORTEGAJONES seeks to have a court order JONES-ORTEGA, LEXIE I for grandparent visitation PRIME ACCEPTANCE CORbetween the Intervenor PORATION and Isabella Jackson, or in Published: December 6 and the alternative, Intervenor December 13, 2022 seeks to have sole legal The World & ONPA (ID:353777) and physical custody of Isabella Jackson, a minor child. or in the alternative. Intervenor seeks to have

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xplanation of change(s):

The District has debt payments on a new firetruck loan that was not included in the original budget document

FUND: Acquisition & Improvement Reserve Fund

Resource	Amount	Expenditure - indicate Org. Unit / Prog. & Activity, and Object Class.	Amount
1 Transfer from General Fund	\$300,150.00	1 Capital Outlay/Firetruck purch	\$34,000.00
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Revised Total Fund Resources	\$393,425.00	Revised Total Fund Requirements	\$393,425.00

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# **Bandon girls tip Red Devils in Winter Lake Classic**

## THE WORLD

Bandon and Coquille played another thrilling contest on Saturday in Coquille's annual tournament, with the Tigers knocking down clutch free throws in the fourth quarter for a 44-42 victory.

Olivia Thompson had 14 points and Katelyn Senn 13 and they combined to knock down five of their six free throws in the final quarter. Makiah Vierck added eight points for the Tigers, who improved to 3-0

Holli Vigue had 15 points and Taylor Kelner and Alexi Lucatero eight each for the Red Devils, a young squad dominated by sophomores and freshmen.

"We are going to get better and better," coach Marty Stallard said, adding that many of the players have been ill during the first two weeks of practice, making conditioning and instruction challenging. "It could turn into a very special group.'

Bandon coach Jordan Sammons noted how challenging it is to play in Coquille's gym and how the teams over the past few years often have had their games come down to the wire.

"I'm super proud of my girls and their heart to pull out a tough win," he said.

The tournament gave the schools a chance to continue their rivalry since Coquille has moved back up to Class 3A and they are not league rivals anymore.

On the opening day, Coquille topped Toledo and Bandon overwhelmed Siuslaw.

Lucatero had 16 points, Vigue 11 and Kelner and Trinidy Blanton seven each in Coquille's 55-38 win over Toledo.

Senn had 26 points and Thompson and Rachel Eickhoff scored seven each as the Tigers beat Siuslaw 61-4.

Bandon had opened the season with a 54-41 win at Myrtle Point on Wednesday, the first night games could be played. The Bobcats also are no longer a league rival for Bandon since they have dropped down to the Class 1A Skyline League.

Thompson had 17 points, Abby Weston 14 and Lizzy Stice 13 for the Tigers in their win over the Bobcats.

Bandon, ranked second in the

now has a pair of big road games against two of the classification's other top teams, visiting No. 3 Gervais on Friday and No. 1 Salem Academy on Saturday.

Coquille, meanwhile, hosts North Valley on Wednesday and Central Linn, the No. 4 team in Class 2A, on Saturday.

MYRTLE POINT 56, RIDDLE 5: The Bobcats dominated the host Irish on Friday to improve to 1-1 on the season.

Kenzie Robinson had 12 points and Grace Bradford 10 as coach Jennifer Sproul was able to get all her players extended time on the court.

Myrtle Point heads to the northeast corner of the state this week for the 1A Preview, facing St. Paul on Thursday at Nixyaawii High School before meeting Crosshill Christian on Friday and Pilot Rock on Saturday at Pilot Rock.

BULLDOGS WIN TWO: North Bend topped Siuslaw and South Umpqua on back-to-back nights last week to start the season with a 2-0 record.

The Bulldogs beat Siuslaw 49-10 on Wednesday. Ayla Riddle, Erica McClintock, Kailynn Taylor and Avery Pex all scored seven points in the win.

The next day, the Bulldogs beat South Umpqua 48-40. Lennon Riddle had 18 points, Ayla Riddle 16 and Carley Lucero 11. Tatum Kelly had 13 for the Lancers.

The Bulldogs suffered a onepoint home loss to Hidden Valley on Saturday, 36-35, and host Toledo on Tuesday before road games at Gold Beach on Thursday and Waldport on Saturday.

#### **PIRATES WIN OPENER:**

Marshfield beat visiting Douglas on Wednesday 53-25 before losing a pair of games to tough teams in the Madras Tournament over the weekend.

Astoria beat the Pirates 64-46 and host Madras topped Marshfield 57-22. Astoria is ranked sixth and Madras second in the first Class 4A coaches poll.

The Pirates visit Brookings-Harbor on Tuesday and host Creswell on Saturday.

#### **POWERS 52, PACIFIC 25:** The Cruisers opened the season

with a win at Pacific on Friday in a nonleague game against their Skyline League rival

Powers hosted Bandon's junior varsity squad on Monday (results were not available) and face host Mapleton in the opener of the Sailors' tournament on Friday.

Pacific, meanwhile, also lost to Camas Valley 36-17 in its opener and beat Riddle 42-16 on Saturday.

The Pirates are at Reedsport on Tuesday and also play in the Mapleton Tournament this weekend, starting against C.S. Lewis Academy.

Reedsport, which has a girls varsity team for the first time since the 2020-21 season, lost to Camas Valley 41-4 in its opener and hosted Marshfield's JV team Monday (results were not available).

BOYS

Coquille boys open basketball season with wins in home tourney

Coquille's boys basketball team opened the season with wins over Toledo and Bandon in the annual Winter Lake Classic.

Unlike past years, the tournament wasn't a bracket format, but rather pre-scheduled games, with Bandon facing Siuslaw on the first night and Toledo facing Siuslaw the second night, since Bandon and Toledo are in the same league.

Coquille, now in Class 3A, is no longer grouped with the Tigers and Boomers.

The Red Devils pounded Toledo 80-34. Gardner Scolari led a balanced attack with 14 points, while Isaac Felton had 12, Canyon Luckman 11, Peyton Leep 10, Dean Tucker nine and Hayden GeDeros eight.

On the second night, Coquille beat Bandon 63-52.

Scolari and Hunter Layton each hit four 3-pointers while scoring 22 and 19 points, respectively, and Tucker added 13.

The Tigers, who suffered their first loss, got 17 points from Owen Brown, nine from Eli Freitag and eight from Sean Ells.

Bandon had picked up two wins earlier in the season, including topping Siuslaw 54-30 on Friday. In that win, Freitag had 23 points, Owen Brown 15 and Carter Brown 11

"Our zone offense was vry unselfish and found a lot of open players knocking down shots," coach Vince Quattrocchi said.

50 on the first night of the season. Owen Brown had 24 points, Carter Brown 15 and Freitag 13 in that win as the Tigers fought off several challenges from the Bobcats.

"We have a lot to work on defensively," Quattrocchi said, though he was happy for the first outing. "It's a group of boys who haven't really played together in a varsity contest.'

Andreas Villanueva had 20 points and Howard Blanton 12 for the Bobcats.

Bandon is at Gervais on Friday and Salem Academy on Saturday.

Coquille, meanwhile, hosts new Far West League for North Valley on Wednesday in a nonleague game and Central Linn on Saturday.

#### **MYRTLE POINT 68, RID-**

DLE 25: The Bobcats followed their opening loss to Bandon with a nonleague win over Riddle. a team Myrtle Point will face later in league play in its first year in the Skyline League.

Logan Backman had 17 points and Villanueva 14 and four of their teammates added at least seven points in a balanced attack. Howard Blanton had eight rebounds and Backman had five steals.

Myrtle Point heads to Pilot Rock this weekend for the 1A Preview, where the Bobcats face St. Paul on Thursday in a rematch of their football semifinal loss, Crosshill Christian on Friday and Pilot Rock on Saturday.

#### NORTH BEND TAKES TWO:

The Bulldogs beat Siuslaw and South Umpqua to open the season.

North Bend won the season opener in Florence 60-38 over the Vikings. Paulo Flores had 15 points and Jalen Riddle hit four 3-pointers and scored 12 in the win. Andrew Jensen-Norman had 20 points for Siuslaw.

A night later at South Umpqua, the Bulldogs won 50-38. Riddle had 14 of his 18 points in the second half and add six rebounds and seven assists. David Roberts contributed 12 for North Bend in the win. Jace Page had 22 for the Lancers.

New North Bend head coach Jasper Sawyer said the Bulldogs had great energy and toughness in the opening win. In the second game, on back-to-back nights, "We found a way to pull together and push

The Bulldogs lost their third game of the season Saturday, falling at home to Hidden Valley 42-32. They host Toledo on Tuesday and visit Gold Beach on Thursday and Waldport on Saturday.

#### **DOUGLAS 39, MARSHFIELD**

**32:** The Pirates, fielding an entirely new varsity team, fell at home to the Trojans on opening night last Wednesday.

"Considering we don't return a single player from our roster last year, the acclimation may take a little longer than typical," Marshfield coach Jesse Ainsworth said, adding the players have been working hard and a joy to coach as they work toward the Sky-Em season in the new year.

"We will be an entirely different looking team come January," he said.

Marshfield is at Brookings-Harbor on Tuesday and hosts Creswell on Saturday.

PACIFIC 39, POWERS 33: The Pirates held off the visiting Cruisers in the fourth quarter Friday, finishing on a 7-1 run after Powers had pulled even.

Tucker Long had 15 points, Logan Knapp 13 and Josiah Selvey 10 for Pacific in the win.

"Powers made a great effort and got back in the game," Pacific coach Lee Pestana said.

Rene Sears had 13 points for Powers, while Charlie Shorb had nine points and eight rebounds.

The two later will meet in Powers as part of the Skyline League season.

Pacific also was at Riddle on Saturday (results were not available). Powers is at Milo Adventist Academy on Tuesday and then plays in the Mapleton tournament this weekend, opening against the host Sailors on Friday.

**CAMAS VALLEY 45, REED-SPORT 39:** The Brave came up short in their season opener at Camas Valley on Friday.

Jay B Noel had 13 points for Reedsport and Myles Morgan, Tristin Carrie and Alex Dukovich scored eight each.

Riley Wolfe had 18 points for Camas Valley, which also won at Pacific 55-36 to open the season. Reedsport hosts Pacific on Tues-

# **Garcia-Silver places 17th in national meet**

Marshfield senior Alex Garcia-Silver finished 17th in the championship race of the Nike Cross Nationals on Saturday at Glendoveer Golf Course in Portland.

Garcia-Silver, who won his second straight Class 4A state title for the Pirates and qualified for nationals by finishing fifth in the Northwest Regional meet, was second among Oregon runners behind Crater's Tyrone Gorze.

Garcia-Silver finished the 5,000-meter race in 15 minutes and 20 seconds. He beat two of the other runners that topped him at the regional meet.

Aaron Sahlman of Newbury Park (California) won the race in 14:44 and Daniel Simmons of American Fork (Utah) was second in 14:51. Gorze finished third in 14:53. Weston Brown of Bozeman, Mont., who was second at the regional meet, was eighth in 14:56.

Newbury Park won the team title with 66 points,

followed by Portland (Jesuit) with 152, Herriman (Utah) with 155 and Southern Oregon (Crater) with 171.

A total of 198 runners competed in the boys race.

As a junior, Garcia-Silver placed 21st in the regional meet, and did not advance to the nationals.

The individual title in the women's race Saturday went to Irene Riggs of Morgantown, W.V., who finished in 16:40. That was 14 seconds better than Brooke Wilson of Highlands Ranch, Colo.

Kintetic, from Saratoga Springs, N.Y., won the girls team title with 81 points. Niwot of Colorado was second with 109.

The top Oregon team was Portland (Jesuit), which was 12th. Central Oregon (Summit) was 18th. The Summit group won the regional title, with Jesuit second.

Crescent Valley's Emily Wisniewski was the top finisher from Oregon, placing 27th in 17:50.

Mac's Run is Saturday at Sunset Bay State Park

The annual Mac's Run, the final race in the 2022 calendar for the South Coast Running Club, is Saturday, Dec. 10, starting at Sunset Bay State Park.

The event includes 5-kilometer and 10-kilometer races, both looping through Shore Acres State Park. The longer race also includes a trek out to Cape Arago State Park.

The entry fee is \$15 for running club members and \$25 for nonmembers who sign up in advance. The race-day entry fees are \$20 for members and \$30 for nonmembers.

The race starts at 10 a.m. For additional information about Mac's Run or for upcoming events, visit www.southcoastrunningclub.org.

# **Bus Jam**

#### From A1

bus, completely filling one school bus and coming close to filling another.

Stephanie Kilmer, who has volunteered for Bus Jam each of the 21 years it has been around, said seeing the gifts flow in was quite a relief.

"The ask has been overwhelming this year," Kilmer said. "They're struggling. There's just not enough left in the paychecks after the essentials.'

Kilmer said through the years, she has seen Bus Jam save Christmas for many families, with that number climbing in 2022

"We've been doing this long enough where people have had to decide whether to pay the heating bill or get presents," Kilmer said. "This stretches it for those parents."

In Coos Bay, the highlight of the day is when Bykes for Tykes showed up with a whopping 260 new bicycles that were donated to Bus Jam. The motorcyclists who support Bykes for Tykes raise money all year to purchases bicycles of all sizes for children.

It took nine pickup trucks overflowing with bikes to make the delivery to Coos Bay, with dozens of motorcyclists following behind.

In North Bend, several organizations brought collections of gifts. One donor gave close to 200 kites, another brought dozens of dart boards.

One of the biggest donors was the Three Rivers Casino, which came to Bi-Mart with a large van and an SUV loaded with toys and food.

For the last month, the casino has run a special where any guest who brought an item for Bus Jam inside received \$5 in free slot play. That results in hundreds of toys and boxes of food being delivered to stuff the bus.

After all the gifts were collected, they were taken to the Boys & Girls Club where volunteers began the process of sorting and stacking the gifts in age groups for parents who will come Saturday to "shop" for Christmas.

Kilmer said the allotted time slots for Bus Jam filled up quickly this year, so the organizers decided to add 120 more slots to meet the growing need. Registration is open through December 8 at busjam.org.



Photos by David Rupkalvis/For The World

Representatives from Three Rivers Casino and the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpgua and Siuslaw Indians unload gifts that were collected at the casino over the last month during Bus Jam on Saturday. The casino offered free play to any guest who brought in a gift to be donated to Bus Jam and administrators from the casino also pitched in money and bought gifts. The casino brought an SUV and a van full of food and presents.

# Teens

#### From A4

Torres also has formed partnerships with other community organizations. She works closely with Alternative Youth Activities, a nonprofit that supports the education of students dealing with housing instability. It was Alternative Youth Activities that helped Wilson study for her GED, for example.

Despite the success of such community partnerships, they remain relatively sparse in other parts of Oregon.

In some cases, Ferrell said, "There may be fears around lines of authority, control of limited resources, or fears of being replaced."

#### NEW MONEY, NO SILVER BULLET

In 2021, Congress included \$800 million in the American Rescue Plan to help schools serve homeless students.

Of that, \$7.4 million came to Oregon schools.

That comes on top of less than \$900,000 Oregon re-

ceives in federal funding tied to the McKinney-Vento law — dollars that are exclusively doled out through competitive grants.

A greater number of school districts in Oregon were able to access that Rescue Plan money, and they could spend it more freely than McKinney-Vento funds.

Klamath Falls City Schools, for example, budgeted \$13,500 to assist two students with housing over three years, records show. North Marion School District budgeted nearly \$6,000 in prepaid debit cards and gift cards to help students purchase materials "necessary for students to participate fully in school activities," such as shoes, clothing and uniforms.

"That was honestly kind of a miracle, a unicorn pot of dollars that gave us flexibility we have not ever had with school funding before," Ferrell said of the American Rescue Plan funds.

In April, 92 members of the U.S. House of Representatives signed a "Dear Colleague" letter, urging the leadership of the House Ed-



Madysun Wilson is now a freshman at Southwestern Oregon Community College. (Michael Sullivan/InvestigateWest)

ucation Committee to renew the \$800 million in funding, which represents 1% of the federal education budget, for the fiscal year that started Oct. 1.

"Investing in a young person's life will enable them to avoid chronic homelessness, intergenerational cycles of poverty, and pervasive instances of trauma," the letter read.

Budget bills from both

chambers of Congress requested increases to the program budget, but they are far less than the renewal the House members requested. Federal budget negotiations are expected to resume in December.

Duffield said increasing support for homeless students is a key component to improving their outcomes. But other pieces are

needed, too, she said. One

is accountability — districts need to know their state is being vigilant about compliance with the law.

Melinda Torres, left, is the employee tasked with connecting with and supporting homeless

students in the Coos Bay School District. (Michael Sullivan/InvestigateWest)

"Policymakers at the state and federal level are ultimately the ones who have the power to change this," she said. "They can appropriate more dollars, they can require more oversight."

Duffield also called for greater awareness about youth homelessness, and the kinds of obstacles students face when they are dealing with housing instability.

Often, she said, "these students aren't visible because they are dealing with so much trauma."

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# A championship gift



The Three Rivers Casino in Coos Bay donated \$3,400 to the Marshfield lady Pirates volleyball team so they could get championship rings for winning the 4A state tournament. Pictured with the team in the photo are, far right, Chuck Baker, casino manager for Three Rivers Coos Bay and, far left, Council Women Iliana Montiel from the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians.

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• 11:40 am, theft, 200 block

700 block of S 7th Street.

• 2:38 pm, criminal mischief,

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block of Newmark Avenue.

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• 4:19 pm, shoplifter, 500

• 4:25 pm, theft, 700 block

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• 7:41 pm, prowler, 2900

block of Knott Terrace.

• 9:27 pm, assault, 1200

block of S 2nd Street.

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• 11:26 am, theft, E 1st

• 12:02 pm, disturbance, 800

block of SE 1st Avenue.

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• 1:28 am, disorderly

conduct, 300 block of

• 10:05 am, theft, Sunrise

• 10:16 am, animal problem,

Winchester Avenue.

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• 3:41 pm, phone

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• 5:06 pm, dog at large, 900

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**Reedsport** 

County jail on violation of

restraining order, Anderson

of S Marple Street. • 1:04 pm, juvenile problem,

300 block of S 10th.

• 3:32 pm, 42 year old

and 4th Street.

• 2:54 pm, minor in

# **Police Blotter**

The police blotter is a public record of incidents as reported by law-enforcement agencies.

All individuals arrested or charged with a crime are innocent until proven guilty. The information printed is preliminary and subject to change.

#### Sunday 11/27:

#### North Bend

- 3:50 am, disorderly conduct, Broadway and Inland.
- 4:11 am, disorderly conduct, Inland and Broadway.
- 5:48 am, disorderly conduct, Virginia and
- Christmas tree lot. 6:09 am, disorderly
- conduct, 1800 block of Newmark Street.
- 8:29 am, barking dog, 3700 block of Spruce Street.
- 1:12 pm, burglary, 2000
- block of Sheridan Avenue. • 3:41 pm, 36 year old male cited for driving while suspended, 2200 block of Newmark Street.
- 10:18 pm, misuse of 911, Commercial and Pine.

#### <u>Coos Bay</u>

- 12:00 am, fight, 200 block
- of S Broadway Street. • 2:28 am, theft, 1100 block
- of 1st Street. • 3:26 am, civil problem, 200 block of N 2nd Court.
- 7:16 am, 48 year old male cited for criminal trespass II, 1700 block of Thompson
- Road. • 8:33 am, threats, 1100 block of Crocker Street.
- 9:46 am, threats, 1600
- block of Newmark Avenue. • 10:28 am, line down, Coos River Highway and 12th
- Avenue. • 12:50 pm, recovered stolen
- vehicle, Benton County Sheriff. • 1:43 pm, 40 year old male
- transported to Reedsport jail for probation violation, 400 block of S 4th Street.
- 2:33 pm, animal complaint, Empire Lakes John Topits Park
- 3:51 pm, criminal mischief to vehicle, 900 block of Montgomery Avenue.
- 4:27 pm, dispute, 1200
- block of Yew Street.
- 4:31 pm, Curry County Sheriff served 40 year old male on two Coos Bay Police warrants, 29800 block of Ellensburg Avenue.

- 4:50 pm, recovered stolen vehicle, Catching Slough Road.
- 5:18 pm, disturbance, 1400 block of Lakeshore Drive.
- 6:22 pm, animal abuse, N 10th Street and W Commercial Avenue.
- 6:29 pm, hit and run accident, 1500 block of Lakeshore Drive.
- 6:30 pm, disorderly conduct, Newmark and S Schoneman.
- 6:37 pm, dispute, 1800 block of Thomas Avenue. • 6:42 pm, Reedsport Police served 24 year old female on two Coos Bay Police warrants, 100 block of N 4th Street.
- 10:14 pm, 31 year old male cited for driving while suspended, N Bayshore and Birch.
- 10:15 pm, 33 year old female cited result of traffic stop, 400 block of Madison Street.
- 10:31 pm, dispute, 500 block of N Marple Street.
- 11:37 pm, threats/noise complaint, 1100 block of S 10th Street.

## **Coquille**

- 12:21 am, 58 year old male cited for DUII, 3rd and Baxter.
- 10:50 am, traffic hazard, Highway 42 mile post 13. • 6:55 pm, violation of restraining order, 1000 block of W 12th Street.

## **Reedsport**

- 8:40 am, trespassing, 200 block of Winchester
- Avenue.
- 9:05 am, trespassing, Safeway.

#### Monday 11/28:

#### North Bend

- 3:53 am, 20 year old female cited result of traffic stop, Michigan and Sherman. • 5:18 am, water problem,
- 3700 block of Sherman Avenue. • 7:34 am, dog at large/ vicious dog, 2100 block of

Everett Avenue.

- 7:43 am, dispute, 2100 block of Harrison Street. • 8:22 am, civil problem,
- 1600 block of Arthur Street. • 9:03 am, 32 year old female cited on Coos Bay Police
- warrant, 2800 block of Oak Street. • 1:23 pm, burglary, 2000
- block of Sheridan Avenue. • 1:26 pm, theft of fuel, 3400
- block of Oak Street.
- 1:30 pm, civil problem, 2500 block of 13th Street.
- 2:35 pm, dispute, Cedar and KFC.
- 2:49 pm, located runaway juvenile, Broadway Street.
- 3:53 pm, theft of propane tanks, 2600 block of Cedar Street.
- 4:31 pm, elderly abuse, 2400 block of Stephanie Lane.
- 6:14 pm, traffic hazard, 1700 block of Hamilton. • 6:53 pm, criminal mischief,
- Oak Street Park. • 7:53 pm, harassment, 2100
- block of Harrison Street. • 8:28 pm, dispute, 2200
- block of Everett Avenue.
- 9:49 pm, loud noise, 3600 block of Edgewood Drive.

#### Coos Bay

- 2:13 am, 38 year old male cited for driving while suspended, Oneills and H Street.
- 2:32 am, 33 year old male cited for driving while suspended, 93700 block of Newport Lane.
- 7:30 am, dead deer, 2800 block of Ocean Boulevard. • 8:09 am, unlawful entry into motor vehicle, 1800
- block of N 6th Street. • 8:40 am, 48 year old male cited for criminal trespass II, 1000 block of Newmark Avenue.
- 9:20 am, theft of bike, 700 block of N 14th Street. • 10:43 am, dispute, 3100
- block of Ocean Boulevard. • 11:46 am, dog at large,
- Minnesota and Dakota. • 12:20 pm, criminal
- mischief/theft of fuel, 400 block of N Broadway Street.

Prepare

- 12:37 pm, 48 year old male cited for driving while suspended, Newmark and Morrison.
- 12:58 pm, 31 year old male cited on Coos Bay Police warrant, 500 block of Central Avenue.
- 1:41 pm, 54 year old female cited for harassment, 1200 block of Newmark Avenue. 2:15 pm, civil problem, 200
- block of S 2nd Street. • 3:32 pm, violation of restraining order, 800 block
- of Marshall Avenue. 3:43 pm, Douglas County served 35 year old male on two Coos Bay Police warrants, 1000 block of SE
- Douglas Avenue. • 4:29 pm, harassment, 300 block of Harbor View Drive.
- 5:33 pm, 35 year old female cited for criminal trespass II, Lockhart Avenue and Pacific Power.
- 6:47 pm, runaway juvenile, 1600 block of Myrtle Avenue.
- 7:33 pm, runaway juvenile, 900 block of S 7th Street.
- 7:47 pm, shoplifter, 1000 block of Newmark Avenue.
- 10:28 pm, 22 year old male cited result of traffic stop, N Bayshore Drive and Front Street.
- 10:35 pm, 60 year old male cited on Coos Bay Police warrant and North Bend Police warrant, 2000 block of Lincoln Street.

#### **Coquille**

- 3:35 am, family dispute, 1200 block of Shelley Road.
- 4:23 am, stolen vehicle, N Irving and 2nd. • 6:29 am, 38 year old male
- arrested and transported to Coos County jail result of
- follow up, E 1st Street. • 1:15 pm, harassment, 100 block of N Dean Street.
- 6:02 pm, 35 year old female cited result of non-injury accident, 700 block of E Highway 42.
- 8:48 pm, civil issue, 100 block of N Dean Street.

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## **Reedsport**

• 5:05 pm, theft, Sunrise Shop N Save.

• 12:42 am, traffic hazard,

•4:30 pm, fight, 1400 block

female cited result of traffic

stop, Sherman Avenue and

#### **Tuesday 11/29:**

Tremont Avenue.

of Sherman Avenue.

• 5:08 am, 23 year old

Commercial Street.

Arthur Street.

8:07 am, harassment/

• 8:31 am, violation of restraining order, 1800

block of Monroe Street.

• 8:42 am, unlawful entry

•9:13 am, harassment/

Meade Avenue.

and Pine.

Airport Way.

Everett Avenue.

Broadway.

Coos Bay

Street.

Street.

• 5:11 pm, disorderly

dispute 2200 block of

• 11:26 am, fraud, 2700

• 12:15 pm, theft from

into motor vehicle, 3200

block of Sherman Avenue.

• 9:47 am, dispute, Newmark

block of Virginia Avenue.

vehicle, 1500 block of E

• 3:18 pm, recovered stolen

vehicle, 2000 block of

conduct, Newmark and

• 5:49 pm, dispute, 2000

block of Lincoln Street.

subject, 3200 block of Tremont Avenue.

• 11:11 pm, located wanted

• 2:47 am, 46 year old male

transported to Coos County

jail on probation violation

detainer for Coos County

• 4:48 am, 48 year old male

• 7:15 am, 24 year old male

cited on Coos Bay Police

warrant, 800 block of S 4th

block of S 10th Street.

cited for driving while

suspended, Flanagan

Avenue and Madison

Parole and Probation, 1000

dispute, 1600 block of

North Bend



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# -----Community Calendar of Events------

One of the most unique and by far the largest holiday light displays on the Oregon Coast is returning to the Oregon coast after a twoyear COVID hiatus. Holiday Lights at Shore Acres State Park is again lighting up the coast with nearly 350,000 lights, animated displays and a hefty helping of holiday cheer from Thanksgiving through New Year's Eve. Tickets must be purchased in advance at https://oregonstateparks. reserveamerica.com/tour-ParkDetail.do?contract-Code=OR&parkId=402381

#### "The Polar Express" 7 pm, December 9th Egyptian Theatre

On Friday, December 9th at 7:00 we have "The Polar Express" with a half hour of organ music provided by Lee Littlefield before the movie. Everyone at the Egyptian wishes you a wonderful holiday season filled with love, family and friends, lots of good food and most especially our famous Egyptian Popcorn. See you at the Egyptian!!

### Used book sale 11 am-4 pm, December 10th North Bend Public Library

The Friends of the North Bend Public Library will host its used book sale. The room will be packed with thousands of gently used hardbacks and paperbacks. The sale will be held in the large meeting room at the North Bend Public Library and will be open to the public starting at 11 a.m. Paid members of the Friends of the Public Library will be admitted to the presale beginning at 10. Friends' memberships can be purchased on the day of the book sale or in advance at the North Bend Public Library for an annual membership of \$10.

"Annual Christmas Concert with the Mighty 8gMV8. For more information on the parade, call (541) 551-1663.

#### The Community Chorus Christmas Concert 7 pm, Dec. 10th 2:00 pm, Dec. 11th The Presbyterian Church of the Siuslaw 3996 Hwy 101, Florence

The Community Chorus of Florence will return to the Presbyterian Church for the first time in two years with a Christmas Concert on Saturday, December 10th at 7:00 P.M. and Sunday, December 11th at 2:00 P.M. A beautiful collection of beloved holiday songs will be presented and directed again by David Aakre. Some of the favorite songs include "Gloria in Excelsis Deo", "Mary Did You Know", "This Little Babe", and "The Twelve Days After Christmas." The concert will be held at the Presbyterian Church of the Siuslaw at 3996 Hwy. 101 in Florence. There is no charge for attending the performance, however a donation of \$10 dollars will be appreciated

#### Holiday Spectacular – All Jazzed Up 7 pm, December 10th, and 2 pm & 4 pm, December 11th Sprague Community Theatre, Bandon

MarLo Dance Studio, renowned for their lavish productions, brings a brand new Christmas show to the Sprague Theater, HOLI-DAY SPECTACULAR, All Jazz Up! The fast-paced production stars MDS's Jazz, Tap, Contemporary, Hip Hop dancers. Not to disappoint, a few extra special ballet pieces with a twist are added to the mix. Guest artists include vocalist Destyni Fuller (graced such stages as Carnegie Hall and Willamette Country Music Festival) and professional actor/pantomimer, Nameer El Kadi. Tickets are \$14 in advance and \$16 at the door. To buy tickets, visit www. marlodance.com or call 706-550-1416.

#### Board of Education Meeting 4 pm, December 12th 1988 Newmark Ave., Tioga Hall, 505, Coos Bay

Vice President of Administrative Services for referral to the appropriate administrator.

### Winter Blues workshop 2 pm, December 13th North Bend Public Library

The North Bend Public Library will be partnering with Waterfall Community Health Center to offer the workshop Winter Blues. This educational workshop will be led by Kayln Clinkenbeard who is a certified community health worker at Waterfall and is trained as an OPAL coach for Coos County. Kayln will be discussing **OPAL:** Options for People to Address Loneliness and teaching techniques for identifying and responding to the signs of seasonal depression. Because of the nature of the Winter Blues program, the NBPL will also be offering time after the program for individuals to talk privately to Kayln and set up an appointment or ask brief questions.

The South Slough National Estuarine Research Reserve Management Commission Business Meeting 9:30 am, December 14th 61907 Seven Devils Road, Charleston

The South Slough National Estuarine Research Reserve Management Commission will hold a regular business meeting Wednesday December 14, 2022, at 9:30 a.m. This meeting is open to the public.

The location of this meeting is the South Slough Reserve Interpretive Center auditorium located at 61907 Seven Devils Road in Charleston, Oregon.

This meeting is being held in a facility that is accessible for persons with disabilities. If you need some form of assistance to participate in this meeting due to a disability, please notify Rebecca Muse at 541-888-5558 ext. 134 prior to the meeting.

### Community Yoga 6 pm, December 14th Virtually via Zoom

Coos Bay Public Library,

Coos Bay Public Library has partnered with instructor, Kandy Bergquist, to offer ASL PRACTICE PLACE via Zoom (virtual meeting software). Bergquist teaches American Sign Language and Signed English at Southwestern Oregon Community College. She has worked with the deaf and hard of hearing as an interpreter, classroom aid, and Speech Pathologist. We meet every third Thursday of the month @ 12:00pm. Next event: Thursday, December 15

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. This is NOT a class, but we will provide ideas for conversational topics. Beginners are welcome. Let's sign! This program is FREE and open to anyone who wishes to sharpen their ASL conversational skills. Register for this event @ https://bit. ly/3m6j2WG

## Unlimited Book Club 6 pm, December 15th Via Zoom

Thursday, December 15 at 6:00 pm, the Unlimited Book Club will meet on Zoom. Unlimited is a joint venture of the Coos Bay Public Library and the North Bend Public Library. We formed to encourage awareness and foster community discussions on equity, diversity, and inclusion through reading and thoughtful conversation. Club meets every third Thursday of the month.

This meeting will be an opportunity for members to meet and discuss our next title, selected by book club members, Go Back to Where You Came From: And other Helpful Recommendations on How to Become American by Wajahat Ali. Suggestions for future readings will come from members of Unlimited.

Those interested are invited to attend meeting, there is no obligation to stay. To receive Zoom link for meeting, register for free @ https://bit. ly/3R6E57M

#### Blanket Making 2:30 pm, December 16th North Bend Public Library

The blanket making class is for ages 13 to 18. Teens attending the class will learn how to make a nosew, fleece blanket. They will also be encouraged to engage in community service by "gifting" their blanket to someone in need. This is a free program that will be held in the meeting room of the NBPL. Snacks and all blanket-making materials will be provided.

#### A Christmas Carol 4 pm, December 16th North Bend Public Library

The community is invited to the annual NBPL Holiday Open House followed by a Readers Theater presentation of "A Christmas Carol," based on the novel by Charles Dickens. The NBPL Holiday Open House will begin at 4 p.m. and be available until 5:30. The library staff will serve seasonal drinks and snacks, and musician Gail Elber will perform live holiday music. Then starting at 6, a Readers Theater group will present a dramatic reading of "A Christmas Carol." Both events are free to attend and are open to all community members.

#### The Fire's Very Scottish Christmas 7 pm, December 16th Egyptian Theatre

Join us for a special Christmas Concert with The Fire and their Very Scottish Christmas. Friday, December 16th at 7 pm. Tickets: \$35 at the door and \$30 in advance. www.thefirescottishband.com/schedule Prepare to be inspired as Scottish music trio The Fire joins forces with both Scottish and Irish dancers for an extraordinary performance. This unprecedented collaboration features Scotland's visually dynamic highland dance in step with

the powerful rhythms of Ireland. The Fire's signature brand of dazzling virtuosity delivers an unforgettable experience as the band leads listeners through an evening of classic Christmas carols and lively dance tunes. Tickets are available at https:// www.eventbrite.com/e/ the-fires-very-scottish-christmas-in-coos-bay-or-tickets-428295311807

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#### Spanglish 10:30 am, December 17th Coos Bay Public Library

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. This is NOT a class, but we will provide ideas for conversational topics. Beginners are welcome. This program is FREE and open to anyone who wishes to sharpen their Spanish conversational skills. Register for Wednesday Zoom sessions at https://bit. ly/3bihvqB

#### Movie Showing & Pajama Drive 6 pm, December 18th Egyptian Theatre

Join us on December 18th for our showing of "How the Grinch Stole Christmas" and our pajama drive for local youth in care! Doors open at 5:30, movie at 6 pm. The movie is free, but new pajamas for the Pajama Drive for local youth in foster care are very much appreciated. Everyone at the Egyptian wishes you a wonderful holiday season filled with love, family and friends, lots of good food and most especially our famous Egyptian Popcorn. See you at the Egyptian!!

## Wurlitzer" Noon, December 10th Egyptian Theatre

On December 10th at noon we have the "Annual Christmas Concert with the Mighty Wurlitzer" Admission is free. Everyone at the Egyptian wishes you a wonderful holiday season filled with love, family and friends, lots of good food and most especially our famous Egyptian Popcorn. See you at the Egyptian!!

#### Bandon Christmas Lights Parade & Celebrations 3 pm, December 10th Old Town Bandon

Christmas celebrations continue in Old Town Bandon Saturday, December 10th with the grand finale, Bandon's Lighted Street Parade, scheduled to begin at 5:30.

The afternoon kicks off at 3:00 PM with a nog walk/ cider stroll through Old Town. Many merchants will be providing cider, Eggnog, wine and other refreshments along with many bargains for Christmas shoppers. Glasses for the Nog Walk will be available at the glass picnic shelter on the boardwalk from 3 to 4:30 PM. You also catch up with the choir singing carols at Coastal Mist at 4 PM.

If you're interested in being in the parade, it's easy! You can light up yourself, your car, your truck, your bike, your horse, or your dog! We've had everything from log trucks to tiny tots participate, so it's truly fun for the whole family. The more lights we have the more fun and magical the event becomes. Here's a link to the registration page: https:// forms.gle/NCT9wcX8Q9tS- Southwestern Oregon Community College has made a method for Open Sessions by which the public can listen to or attend the public meeting at the time it occurs by access and attend meetings by telephone, video or other electronic or virtual means. Open Sessions are available at the Coos and Curry campus. Please contact Dina Laskey at 541-888-7400 or by email at dina.laskey@socc. edu for more information. The meeting room is ADA accessible. When a request for an interpreter for the hearing impaired is made at least 48 hours prior to a scheduled meeting, the Board of Education will make every effort to provide an interpreter. For additional information feel free to contact the Office of the President at (541) 888-7400.

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in partnership with yoga instructor, Kelli Bosak, will cohost Community Yoga. Kelli has been practicing yoga and mindfulness for over 16 years. She has taught yoga in community health centers, schools, and jails for adults and families with all levels of experience and abilities over the last 8 years. This FREE class is appropriate for all levels. Register for this event @ https://bit.ly/3CbG1VR

ASL Practice Place Every third Thursday of the month at 12:00 pm starting December 15th Via Zoom

# **Celebration of Life for K9 Raven**



# 2 pm, December 11th Egyptian Theatre

Coos County Sheriff's K9 Program invites you to the Celebration of Life for K9 Raven. December 11th at 2 pm. Donations welcome. Everyone at the Egyptian wishes you a wonderful holiday season filled with love, family and friends, lots of good food and most especially our famous Egyptian Popcorn. See you at the Egyptian!!



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