

Coos County drops from extreme risk Indoor dining, recreation open to limited seating starting Friday

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Coos County's indoor dining, recreation and entertainment establishments are reopening after 12 weeks closed — but public health officials say the county hasn't

reached the finish line yet. Oregon Gov. Kate Brown announced this week that the county will move Friday into the high-risk category of the state's pandemic restrictions — a step below the extreme-risk category where the county has remained longer than

any other county in the state. Coos County was one of the few this week to see a decrease in restrictions. Fourteen of Oregon's 36 counties now fall in the highrisk category, including six which are moving from less-restrictive classifications.

The change in Coos County means indoor dining and recreation will again be permitted starting Friday, though capacities will still be limited until the county moves into lower categories of restrictions. Among the rules:

• Indoor dining will be limited to

25% capacity, or 50 people, whichever is smaller. Outdoor dining will be limited to 75 people, and all parties will be limited to six people from two households.

• Indoor entertainment, recreation

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A close-up look at North Bend's pool Former



Coquille city recorder files intent to sue BY ZACK DEMARS AND

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A former Coquille city employee informed the city last month about her plans to sue the city for whistleblower retaliation and a failure to provide due process during the course of her firing.

Jennifer Rose, the city's former city recorder, filed a notice with the city March 25 after her termination at the conclusion of a months-long investigatory suspension. Rose was placed on paid leave in November and terminated last month.

"Ms. Rose is alleging that the City of Coquille was negligent in failing to hire qualified individuals to process the City's finances, took advantage of an employee willing to help try to keep the department functioning, and then targeted her as a scapegoat after she brought to light matters of public concern related to the city's financial mismanagement," Talia Guerriero, a Portland employment attorney repre-

Photos by David Rupkalvis/The World

Members of the North Bend City Council toured the city pool Monday in an effort to get a close look at repairs that need to be made before the pool can reopen. Pictured, from left, Mayor Jessica Engelke, city Recorder KayLee Marone, Pat Goll, Timm Slater and Susanna Nordhoff. Below, Marone discusses issues in the pump room and filter room. Many parts of the pump and filter systems have not been changes since the pool opened in 1956.

Council tours facility to see what repairs need to be made

BY DAVID RUPKALVIS

The World

Members of the North Bend City Council toured the city pool Monday, getting as close-up look at the work that needs to be done before the pool can reopen.

Mayor Jessica Engelke and council members Pat Goll, Susanna Nordhoff and Timm Slater all walked through the pool with City Administrator David Millirorn and Recorder KayLee Marone

Marone, who served as the aquatics administrator before becoming recorder, led the tour.

While most members of the council grew up using the pool, few had seen the inner workings before.

Engelke said the tour was requested in light of the upcoming vote to determine whether a levy will be passed to provide additional funding for the pool.

"I thought it was very clear to the council that letting the citizens decide was the right thing to do," Engelke said. "This tour can give us more information to provide citizens with as much infor-

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Coquille pool to reopen in the summer

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Coquille's pool is on track to reopen this summer.

City councilors on Monday unanimously - and enthusiastically — approved a request to reopen the city pool for activities this summer after a season shut down due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Judy Arellano, the city community building administrator, told councilors she'd worked with the staff at Coos Bay's Mingus Park pool to find a way to reopen the pool safely. Mingus has been open throughout the pandemic, with virus precautions in place.

Many of those precautions will look similar at Coquille's pool

when it reopens, likely the first weekend in June.

"(T)he lifeguards will be required to wear those clear visors, the ones that you can see through. And that's how they do it at Mingus Park," Arellano said. "I figured if we just kind of followed the way Mingus Park is doing it, their pool was open last year."

The pool at Mingus Park cur-

rently sees guests by appointment for lap swimming. Arellano said the Coquille pool will probably be able to open many of its typical activities, including open swim sessions.

It'll also be easier to handle the reopening with the county finally out of the extreme-risk level of

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senting Rose, wrote in the notice to the city.

Former City Manager Sam Baugh, who was terminated in December 2020. tells a different story, saying he placed Rose on administrative leave after getting reports from Merina and Company, a firm the city hired to look at the city finances, claiming Rose was difficult to work with and hindered attempts to review city finances.

"All the indicators we used pointed to her, and that's why I put her on administrative leave," Baugh told The World. "I worked with our city insurance, the CIS Group, and our city attorney because I was getting reports back from Merina and Company and our new finance director, and they said this is something fishy and it all points back to this one person."

According to Rose's claims, the problems started in 2020, when "several key finance employees left all at once and the department started to fall apart."

Rose's attorney says the then-city recorder took on additional responsibilities in the city - namely, the management of the city's payroll records under the direction of Baugh, who was hired by the city in late 2019.

Rose claims her lack of training by the city resulted in errors with the payroll system. She says she began reporting to Baugh her concerns of financial mismanagement and that "many financial matters were slipping through the cracks."

Baugh told The World some of Rose's complaints are legitimate. He said shortly before he was hired, the city council chose to get rid of the finance director and public works director. The goal was to restructure the finance department.

They knew accounting was not my strong suit," Baugh said. "The whole purpose of it was to restructure the finance department. When I brought my ideas of how to restructure the finance department, they didn't like any of it."

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KayLee Marone talks about the broiler while leading a tour of the North Bend Pool. The broiler heats the pool water and has been in place since 1984

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mation as possible so they can make a good decision."

The North Bend Municipal Pool was built in 1956 and has been a mainstay in the city for 65 years. Marone confirmed the pool was built after a rash of drownings by children in the community. It offered year-round swim lessons until it was closed a year ago due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Marone pointed out many functions of the pool that were state-of-the-art in 1956 but are no longer economically feasible.

The primary focus was behind the scenes. The pump and filtration system that cleans water and adds appropriate chemicals remains mostly intact from 1956. That leads to a lot of problems. Marone explained the filter is so old, pool employees must make the filters by hand because they are no longer produced.

In addition, the pump, which is required to move 600 gallons of water a minute, must always be adjusted to keep it near that pace.

"They don't make these," Marone said, pointing to the filters she and the pool staff put together by hand. "These are dinosaurs."

One room over, the council members saw the boiler, which is designed to warm both the water for the pool and the building itself.

The boiler was installed in 1984 and originally used diesel to create a steam system for warming water. It now uses natural gas, but is still outdated.

"It's about 80 percent efficient," Marone said. She said for the pool to

function properly, three key

elements need to be replaced. She said the top priorities are a new pump system, filter system and boiler. The city estimates those three would cost \$375,000 to replace.

In addition, a new air handling system, hot water heaters for the shower and code compliance upgrades would cost \$240,000.

That would add to more than \$500,000 the city has spent on improvements and upgrades over the last eight years. Some of that work included replacing the roof and repairs to the boiler, air handling system and painting the building.

The pool holds 255,000 gallons of water and was constructed as a 25-meter Olympic size pool.

It is used for lessons, open swims, therapeutic reasons and as the home of the North Bend and Southwest Oregon Community College swim teams.



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and fitness establishments will be limited to 25% capacity, or 50 people, whichever is smaller. Indoor full-contact sports remain prohibited, and entertainment venues must close at 11 p.m.

 Outdoor entertainment, recreation and fitness establishments will be limited to a maximum of 15% occupancy and must close at 11 p.m.
Inside and outside visita-

tion is allowed at long-term care centers.

• Funeral homes, mortuaries and cemeteries will be limited to 25% capacity indoors, or 150 people total, whichever is smaller, and outdoor capacity will be limited to 200 people maximum. Faith institutions are advised to follow the same requirements.

• Indoor and outdoor shopping centers, malls and retail stores will be restricted to 50% capacity, with curbside pick-up encouraged.

• Offices may open, but remote work is recommended if able.

• Social gatherings should be limited to six people from two households indoors, and eight people outdoors.

Monday's numbers show the county's made improvements in its COVID-19 case rates, finally bringing it under the 200 cases per 100,000 in population and 10% test positivity needed to escape the extreme level.

The numbers show the county had 170.6 cases per 100,000 in population and a 5.8% test positivity rate for the March 21 through April 3 timeframe, the lowest rates in months.

Still, Coos County health officials remain cautious about letting up now.

"I'm nervous, if I'm being completely honest," said Coos Health & Wellness Assistant Director Dr. Eric Gleason. "But I'm also cautiously optimistic that if the vast majority of the community are ready for those (precautionary measures), that we can see a continued trend downward."

Gleason points to the last time the county left the extreme risk category: Three months ago, when the county's numbers dipped just below the threshold to allow indoor dining, gatherings, parties and events at indoor bars caused a huge spike in cases — and a three-monthlong extreme-risk lockdown. "The last time we were in high we didn't do a real good job. As soon as we dropped to high, it was like spring break in Tampa, Florida, and we did things that were detrimental to the health of our community so quick that it made your head spin," Gleason said. "I'm nervous." Fortunately, the county's numbers are on more of a downward trend than they were the last time it dropped in risk levels. For Gleason, the uncertainty means newly allowed activities should be done safely, and with caution (in other words: With masks and social distancing, even for those who've been vaccinated). "We just need to have a different lens when we're



looking at things," Gleason said. "Think smart about the plans you make. Think about what that could do to impact your kids, or your friends' kids, or the kids down the street because you don't have any."

Coos County's case rate is still the ninth highest of the state's 36 counties, according to Tuesday's state data.

Also Tuesday, state officials announced a new metric making it slightly more difficult for a county to be pushed back into the extreme-risk category.

That rule requires 300 or more COVID-19 positive patients occupying hospital beds statewide, and a 15% increase in the seven-day average hospitalizations over the past week before any county can move to that level.

As of Wednesday, 163 across the state were hospitalized with the virus.

The state will reevaluate metrics in two weeks and announce new county restriction levels April 20. If the county maintains its current case rates, it'll stay in the high-risk category. A decrease in rates below 100 cases per 100,000 in population and 8% test positivity will bring the county to the moderate-risk level, which expands the allowable occupancy of the county's businesses.

That'd be another step in the right direction, according to Gleason.

"The high-risk level is not our goal," Gleason said. "Our goal would be to continue to move and continue to do the things that we need to do as a data wasn't available due to technical errors Wednesday, but statewide nearly 1.3 million people have received a dose of a vaccine, totaling more than 2 million doses distributed.

A wide section of the population is currently eligible for a vaccine, including frontline workers and their household families, those 16 and older with underlying conditions, those in multi-generational households, those displaced by wildfires and more.

Brown also announced early Tuesday the state would be expanding vaccine eligibility soon: Starting April 19, anyone in Oregon 16 and older will be eligible to receive a vaccine. A full eligibility schedule is available online at covidvaccine. oregon.gov/.

Where are vaccines available?

Several different sites across the region are administering vaccine doses, and not all use the same waitlist information, so health officials say it may be necessary to attempt multiple sites simultaneously to get a dose most quickly.

In Reedsport, the Lower Umpqua Hospital District has established a call center for vaccine pre-registration. Only those who are currently eligible for the vaccine can call 541-271-2175 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, and more information is online at www. lowerumpquahospital.org/.

Other locations in Reedsport are also offering vaccines, and the Douglas

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Coos reports 30th virus death

Coos County also reported its 30th virus-related death over the weekend.

A 93-year-old woman with underlying health conditions died at Bay Area Hospital April 5 after testing positive for the virus March 24, according to the Oregon Health Authority.

On the vaccination front, Coos County was slated to receive a boost in doses of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine, despite cuts to doses expected from the manufacturer nationwide. Gleason said those doses will be distributed to area hospitals and health center.

The state's county-level

County Public Health Network is coordinating some mass vaccination events. Instructions on signing up for those events, and information about signing up with other providers, is available online at douglaspublichealthnetwork.org/covid-19-vaccination-information/. Bay Area Hospital is

Bay Area Hospital is offering some vaccine doses. Appointments can be made online at www.bayareahospital.org/.

Coquille Valley Hospital is also offering some vaccine doses, and appointments can be made online at www. cvhospital.org/vaccine/.

In Bandon, Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center is offering appointments, and more details are online at southerncoos.org/.

Safeway pharmacies at multiple locations are administering doses. Appointments can be made online at www. mhealthappointments.com/ covidappt.

Walmart has begun administering vaccines. Appointments can be made online at www.walmart.com/COVIDvaccine.

Bi-Mart pharmacies at some locations are administering vaccines. Appointments can be made online at www.bimart.com/pharmacy/ covid-19-vaccine.

Fred Meyer is administering vaccines at some locations. Appointments can be made online at www. fredmeyer.com/rx/covid-eligibility.

North Bend's Broadway Pharmacy has begun taking appointments for a limited supply of doses. A sign-up form is at the top of the pharmacy's website at rxbroadway.com/.

Some Health Mart pharmacies, which have locations in Reedsport and Gold Beach, are administering vaccines. Appointments can be made online at www.healthmartcovidvaccine.com.



The Coquille City Pool will reopen this summer after being closed more than a year due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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virus rules as of April 9. "When we were in

extreme risk, I thought we weren't going to be able to really open for open session swim — we will be able to," Arellano said. "I don't think water aerobics probably will be a thing, because they kind of gather more ... because they sometimes have quite a few people come out for that. But all the other things I think we'll be able to go forward with." Under the high-risk rules,

the pool will be limited to 25% capacity, or around 60 people, Arellano said. Councilors Monday expressed their excitement to see the pool reopening.

"Judy, on behalf of the families in Coquille, thank you and Judy (Gederos, who assisted in the planning,) for jumping on this," said Mayor

Sam Flaherty. Councilor John Cooper noted the reopening of the pool comes at a good time for the county's swimming community.

"It's really awesome that we're opening up, because we lost another pool in our county, with North Bend shutting their pool down."

That pool has been closed since the pandemic began, and likely will struggle to reopen without the passage of a tax levy for significant repairs in the May election.

Coquille sees turnover among city leaders

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More changes are taking place at Coquille City Hall over the coming months.

A number of city officials have announced their plans to leave their jobs, and Interim City Manager Scott Sanders is working to find replacements.

On the city council, Councilor Dave Chappelle resigned from his seat this month for health reasons. The city council received his resignation in its meeting Monday and formally declared a vacancy in his position.

Mayor Sam Flaherty said he got the chance earlier in on accessing an application is available from city hall by calling 541-396-2115.

City Attorney James Martin will also be leaving city hall soon. Interim City Manager Scott Sanders told councilors Monday Martin had submitted his resignation and plans to leave the city at the end of June.

As the city council was assembled just before Monday's meeting began, Martin told councilors the move isn't about the city, but is part of his plans to wind down his work altogether.

"It's not you, it's me," Martin told councilors. "I'm actually planning on closing out my practice this summer, so I'm letting folks know." role. "They'l

"They'll do all the city recorder (tasks), all the city records, but also will be an executive assistant for the city manager," Sanders told councilors. "Special projects, whatever it is they might have that they might also need to help with."

That city manager hasn't yet been hired. The city is still contracting with the Prothman search firm it hired in February to solicit and review applications for the job after former City Manager Sam Baugh was fired by the council late last year.

One city employee search, however, isn't progressing quite yet: Sanders also asked the city council Monday for permission to begin searching for a new library director, after Anne Conner, the current library director, announced plans to retire at the end of June. Councilors questioned whether a new director should be hired while the library is still largely closed due to the pandemic. Currently, no access is allowed inside the library, and items can be picked up through a window by appointment only. "To open the library a little bit, couldn't we have reservations for tables, even if we only were allowing three or four people to come in so the library could be open?" Councilor Julie Nighswonger asked Conner during the meeting. The director said that wouldn't work due to the library's small space. "That hasn't been an

effective possibility for us, in our library, to let people in, and try to clean after them or before them," Conner said.

Nighswonger asked Sanders if the current level of access made hiring a new director less of a priority.

"Possibly. They have staff that will be there. They have two full-time staff and some part-time help," Sanders replied.

Flaherty asked Conner about the library's current circulation, and asked if the staff there could maintain that level of service without a new director.

"Absolutely," Conner replied.

In the end, Nighswonger made a motion allowing

North Bend asking community to support street repair efforts

By DAVID RUPKALVIS The World

The city of North Bend has a unique opportunity to get funding for street repairs, if the community will support the effort.

Ralph Dunham, the city's public works director, said when Congress passed the American Rescue Plan, it included funding for infrastructure projects in cities and counties around the country. He said Congress is working on distributing the funding now, and North Bend could really use a share.

"They are looking to help everywhere," Dunham said.

What he and the city needs is for local residents to reach out to Congressman Peter DeFazio and Senators Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley to let them know North Bend should be included in the funding.

And when it comes to roads, North Bend does need some help.

Dunham explained, the city receives approximately \$220,000 a year from federal and state gas taxes to help with road funding.

While that money is appreciated, it just doesn't go very far.

Dunham explained 70 percent of the city's roads were built in the 1950s and '60s.

With normal traffic, a road is designed to last 35 to 40 years. High-traffic roads generally last 15 to 20 years.

"Éven with good paving techniques, old age takes over," Dunham said. "Some of the streets, you lose the surface, so you end up with half the asphalt basically gone after 40 years."

Dunham said the gas tax funds will repair about 1,200 feet or around a quarter mile of streets every year. With no new funding, that puts the city's streets on cycle of being replaced every 80 years.

Dunham said long-term the city needs to find a new funding source for street repairs, but for now the American Rescue Plan, which has already been approved by Congress and has funding available, could be the answer.

"We have an opportunity at this point," Dunham said. "We have a list of streets that streets, a move that could help close the gap of needed repairs.

Dunham said repairing streets is costly for several reasons. First, it has just gotten more expensive to hire companies to tear down and replace roads. Secondly, as North Bend's streets age, so does its underground water and wastewater infrastructure. In most cases, the city is replacing the underground piping as it repairs roads.

"We don't want to go in and pave it and go in there and have to dig it up 10 years later for utilities," Dunham explained.

The third aspect in North Bend is since most of the roads are very old, few have sidewalk ramps that meet standards of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Therefore, any time a major repair is made, the city must also upgrade sidewalks.

"About 20 percent of our street money is going to replace those ramps," Dunham said.

Dunham said with funding available, he is hopeful city residents will reach out to the elected officials.

"We're looking for community support to let Mr. DeFazio know, yes we have bad roads and could use some more funding," Dunham said. "We're trying to get our poor and very poor roads into good condition."

Dunham said the city is always looking for funding sources that don't hurt local residents. Finding money for street repairs is very difficult, though.

"There's a lot of money out there for different things, but streets are one of those it's very difficult to get grants for," Dunham said. "We have this opportunity through Congressman DeFazio to do something about it."

DeFazio can be emailed through his website - https:// defazio.house.gov/. Letters can be mailed to his Washington, DC office at 2134 Rayburn Office Building, Washington, DC 20515.

Wyden can be emailed through his website - https:// www.wyden.senate.gov/ contact. Letters can be mailed to 221 Dirksen Senate Office Bldg., Washington, D.C., 20510

a thank-you plaque on the city's behalf.

"Councilor Chappelle, we wish all the best to you, we pray for your good health in this next season of life for you," Flaherty said. "Thank you, Councilor Dave Chappelle, for your service for our city."

The city council will appoint a replacement to serve on the council for the remainder of Chappelle's term, which expires Jan. 1, 2025. Applications will be available from city hall, and councilors will review applications at their May meeting and select a replacement to begin serving immediately.

Applications for the position will be due back to city hall by April 23, and will be available on the city's website at www.cityofcoquille.org. More information Sanders said in a phone call Tuesday he'd already begun researching possible replacements for a new city attorney.

Also on the interim manager's agenda is hiring a new city recorder after the dismissal of the city's previous city recorder last month.

Sanders came to the council Monday to get its approval to begin the process of recruiting someone for the role. Since the city doesn't yet have a permanent city manager, the city's charter requires the interim city manager to seek council approval to hire or fire any city employees.

The council unanimously (with Councilor Matt Rowe absent) granted Sanders the authority to begin advertising for the position, which he said would be a joint city recorder-executive assistant Sanders to begin hiring a new city recorder and executive assistant — but not a new library director, until the library reopens — and Councilor Ann Parker seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

are poor to very poor, a list of a little over two miles that are currently partly funded or unfunded."

Dunham said the city hopes to receive around \$2 million to repair the worst 20510.

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Researcher develops ways to predict future lumber prices

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At a time when lumber prices are skyrocketing, an Oregon State University researcher has developed a new way to predict the future price of logs that uses readily accessible economic information.

"Log prices are really variable," said Jeff Reimer, a professor of applied economics at Oregon State. "That makes this a difficult business, whether you are land manager, mill owner, timberland investor or, as we are seeing now, a home builder."

The timber industry is critical to the economy of many regions of the world, including the Pacific Northwest. The health of the timber industry can be measured in various ways, including harvest levels, employment in timber harvesting and at mills, and lumber demand. Yet the prices of cut and delivered logs may be the most direct way to monitor the condition of timber markets, Reimer said.

Reimer's study, recently published in the journal For-

est Policy and Economics, focused on Douglas-fir, the most commercially important timber species in the Pacific Northwest.

He found that simply knowing the number of housing permits issued in a month can explain about 46.8% of the variation in log prices over time. Adding additional information – including the monthly inventory of homes, mortgage rates, the exchange rate with Canada (also a big timber supplier) and the Case-Shiller home price index – explains about 74.3% of the price variation.

"These variables are readily observable and thus can be used by industry decision-makers to make better predictions about future values of logs and timberland," said Reimer, a professor in Oregon State's College of Agricultural Sciences.

In the paper, Reimer cites data that shows the average price of Douglas-fir logs between 2005 and 2020 was \$631 per MBF (a forestry term for 1,000 board feet of lumber) of mill logs in south-



A researcher at Oregon State University has developed a way to predict the future price of lumber. The tool could help companies accurately predict how expensive it would be to build.



ern Oregon. One board foot of lumber is 1 square foot and 1-inch thick.

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Yet this average disguises a great deal of variation in price. From 2005 to 2020, the price ranged from \$346 per MBF to \$924 per MBF. The difference between the minimum and maximum was \$578, nearly as large as the 15-year average price itself.

Since the paper was written, lumber prices have increased more, reaching the \$1,000 per MBF range. The National Association of Home Builders recently released a report that said lumber prices have added an average of \$24,000 to the cost of a new home.

"Right now log prices are phenomenally high," Reimer said. "It can feel like feast or famine in this industry but there is a logic that underlies the changes. The benefit of this paper is that we have identified a few pieces of readily observable information that allow people in the timber industry to make solid predictions about what will be happening in the next six months or so."

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House passes foreclosure moratorium

As thousands of homeowners face the continued impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Oregon House of Representatives on Tuesday passed House Bill 2009 to reestablish a temporary statewide moratorium on foreclosures.

The vote comes as Democrats push to provide financial relief for Oregonians most affected by the current housing crisis, economic recession and COVID-19 pandemic.

"Having a roof over your head is crucial to protecting the health and wellbeing of Oregonians," said Rep. Paul Holvey (D-Eugene), who carried the bill on the floor. "Providing homeowners with a safety net while they get back on their feet will give Oregonians the stability they need to move forward."

HB 2009 provides several protections for homeowners, pausing foreclosure proceedings temporarily for qualifying borrowers, delaying payment requirements and lowering the exemption threshold. The bill reestablishes the moratorium through July 1, 2021, to small residential borrowers and gives the governor the ability to extend the moratorium for 90-day increments through the end of the year as the legislature anticipates federal relief distribution.

Guest Opinion

Five tips for securing **COVID-19** vaccine appointments

BY JAMES C. APPLEBY

In the United States, more than eight in 10 COVID-19 deaths have occurred among those of us aged 65 or above.

This sobering statistic sheds light on just how devastating this pandemic has been for older Americans, and far too many have lost loved ones to this disease.

Thankfully, a post-COVID-19 world is coming into view in the distance. Americans now have access to three safe and extremely effective vaccines, and reports show that cases are declining among nursing home staff and residents.

The arrival of these medical breakthroughs - which are available for free - could very well spell the difference between life and death for many, which is precisely why the CDC recommends that states prioritize older Americans in their vaccine distribution plans.

Most states have heeded this advice and placed seniors at the front of the line.

Unfortunately, though, many older Americans have reported difficulty accessing vaccines. Online scheduling systems are often difficult to navigate, making them inaccessible to the 22 million seniors who lack in-home internet. Many others have struggled to secure rides to distribution sites, and even in Massachusetts, where companion vaccination guidelines were granted, challenges still exist

But with persistence - and a little help - there is no reason why every eligible American senior shouldn't get their vaccine in the next few months.

Here are five tips to secure a timely COVID-19 vaccine appointment and obtain full vaccination for yourself or an older loved one:

Ask for help: Remember that you don't have to go it alone. Reach out to friends, family and neighbors for assistance. Many senior centers and local places of worship stand ready to help. If you have specific transportation concerns, plan ahead and ask if someone is willing to give you a ride.

Research your state's distribution plan: Each state has issued its own guidance for vaccine distribution. Visit www.CDC.gov to learn more about the rollout plan in your area.

Sign up for appointment alerts: Many state and local governments have automated systems that will alert you when you are eligible and where they are available.

Call your doctor: Many clinics, pharmacies, health systems and community health centers administer - or plan to administer - vaccines. Ask your doctor if they currently offer vaccine appointments and, if so, request notification when one becomes available. Be sure to check with all your doctors, especially if they are in different health systems.

Be persistent: Remember that you might not secure an appointment on your first attempt. That's OK. Go in with the right mindset and the expectation that you (or your loved one who is helping schedule the appointment) might have to try a few times before successfully booking one.

At times, landing a vaccine appointment might feel impossible. But with a determined attitude, a bit of preparation, dogged persistence, increasing supply and some help from those in your circle, what feels impossible can be accomplished.

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Guest Opinion

Urban-rural divide is alive and well

BY ALLEN BEST

Pushback against a "meatless day" proclaimed by Colorado Gov. Jared Polis last month was predictably vigorous. It was part of the "war on rural Colorado," said a state senator who runs a cattle-feeding operation. Twenty-six of Colorado's 64 counties adopted "meat-in" proclamations. Governors from the adjoining states of Wyoming and Nebraska even gleefully designated an "eat-meat" day.

Afterward, Polis's press aides pointed to the hundreds of do-good proclamations the governor issues each year, and the governor quickly declared his beef brisket the rival of any in Colorado.

But this proclamation differed from those affirming truck drivers, bat awareness and breakfast burritos. It called for broad change. Using the language of a "MeatOut" Day proclamation written by an animal rights group, his statement cited the benefits of a plant-based diet in reducing our carbon footprint, preserving ecosystems and preventing animal cruelty. It also noted the growing alternatives to meat, dairy and eggs. In the 1880s, when my great-grandparents homesteaded in eastern Colorado, they grazed cattle on the short-grass prairie. Ranchers still do. Once off the range, though, our beef production is best understood as an industrial process. The foundation is grain. In his book How to Avoid a Climate Disaster, Bill Gates explains the modern pyramid of protein: A chicken eats two calories' worth of grain to give us one calorie of poultry. For cattle, it's six calories of feed to produce one calorie of beef. I've stood in rows of corn tassels 12 feet high at maturity, the growth boosted by luxuriant applications of fertilizer. I've pinched my nose while driving past feedlots large enough for 80,000 or more head. I've heard the bellow of cows minutes away from the knife at



slaughterhouses.

Denver no longer has slaughterhouses but still prides itself on its livestock heritage. The annual Western Stock Show puts cowboy hats in high-end restaurants and strip joints alike. Cattle represent 50% of Colorado's \$7 billion agriculture economy, and livestock altogether 70%. After Polis's proclamation, livestock producers debated boycotting Denver's Stock Show for other venues — perhaps Oklahoma.

Even a legislator from one of metro Denver's poorer neighborhoods objected to Polis's proclamation, pointing out that nutritious vegetarian options aren't available to many of her constituents. But it's not just low-income areas that lack meal choices. Fast-food franchises in big cities and small towns all cater to the lowest-common denominator, their high-volume enterprises predicated on cheap meat, especially beef. The consequences are that we now have bulbous bellies and too many heart attacks. We struggle to live with restraint. The meaty issue here is not about meat vs. no-meat. Rather, it's about scale and processes. What have we sacrificed in pursuit of volume? Credit the ranchers who graze cattle holistically in an attempt to replicate the once-vast herds of bison. But also note that grass-fed beef needs buyers. Most holistically raised cows get fattened on grain. That's where the market is.

There's also the looming issue of cows contributing to climate change, as highly polluting methane comes out of both ends of cattle. Gates, always the technologist, insists that innovation can reduce the carbon output of agriculture by reducing our yen for real beef. He put his money where my mouth is by investing in a vegetarian product called the Impossible Burger. Last week I had one. It fooled me. I thought it was beef.

Meanwhile, the urban-rural divide remains starkly real and evident in voting and development patterns. While cities struggle to contain their growth, many small towns struggle to hang on. Ironically, the economies of most of these at-risk rural towns are premised on industrial-scale agriculture.

Rural Colorado never has liked Polis, a savvy businessman from the exurbs of Boulder who favors market solutions. He had barely warmed his gubernatorial seat when handmade signs began showing up on rural country roads asking "Why does Polis hate ... " You fill in the blank.

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This meatless proclamation was tone-deaf. It could have narrowly affirmed meatless alternatives rather than decried meat. Denial and anger will not prevail, though. I'm reminded of when coal producers, 10 and 15 years ago, were fighting the future of renewables instead of figuring out their place in the world to come.

Though most of us may continue to eat beef, some of us have already begun to shift away. Polis was perhaps the unwitting messenger of that truth — that cows in the West are no longer sacred.

Allen Best contributes to Writers on the Range, writersontherange. org, an independent nonprofit dedicated to spurring lively conversation about the West. He writes about energy and water in Big Pivots, his e-magazine.

Letters to the Editor

Disc golf is for everyone

I am writing to help address some of the concerns in regard to the Ferry Park Disc Golf Course. This project was originally approved by city council back in 2019 and was proposed as a way to organize and create a safer, more structured layout for the disc golf that was already being played at Ferry Road Park. The entire project and installation of this trial course has been funded purely through local fundraising events and business donations at no expense to the city of North Bend. This course is set up to be an open layout that is more encouraging to children and beginners and offers a more ADA friendly option for our elderly and veterans to enjoy. Focus was placed on visibility of the baskets and walking paths to help ensure everyone's safety, and thus should not interfere with existing activities at the park.

Disc golf provides a great option for outdoor exercise for all ages and walks of life, which can be played individually or as a group while still maintaining appropriate social distancing. As we are already so restricted on activities,

this course offers our community a valuable opportunity for safe social interactions and outdoor exercise. Disc golf is only growing larger by the year and spreading into schools and college curriculums around the world. This open family friendly park offers a more encouraging option for our youth and beginners to learn the game.

With its proximity to the current nine-hole course at Winsor Park, the addition of these nine holes at Ferry creates a full 18 that could help draw tourism into our town through the hosting of disc golf tournaments.

I welcome the public and our youth to come out and try this fun sport at our upcoming free event on May 15 at Ferry Road Park. We have a bucket full of new and used discs that we will be giving away and will be playing two rounds of nine holes. Sign-ups start at 9:45a.m. with tee off at 10:45 a.m.

> Alexa Jones North Bend

We see you

Georgia goes Jim Crow 2.0 and Major League Baseball, the most

conservative of the pro ball leagues takes a stand to say enough. As Georgia writes a law to suppress votes perpetrating a lie that never happened (the election was stolen), despite Georgia's election being scrutinized for its integrity by everyone in our country and found legitimate, even conservatives with integrity find themselves having to speak out by voting with their dollars.

Prior to this, conservatives have had no issues with Citizens United and corporations spending money on elections. Now some of them are screaming 'cancel culture.' I say, it's about time. Why would any state write laws to restrict voting where no voter fraud has been found despite recounts and intense review.

Thank you MLB and every corporation that has raised its voice to support the right of all citizens to vote. Georgia went blue, and no one stole the election. Georgia lawmakers, we see you, and integrity of the vote is not what your new law is about.

> Christine Thomas Reedsport

OBITUARIES

Roger Evans Justrom Jr.

November 14, 1962 - March 30, 2021

At his request, no services will be held for Roger Evans Justrom Jr., of Coos Bay, who died March 30, 2021, in Coos Bay. He was 58.

Roger was born November 14, 1962, in Coos Bay, to Roger and Betty Justrom. He attended grade schools and graduated from Marshfield High School in Coos Bay, where he spent most of his life.

He was an athlete in high school, especially excelling in basketball, and he loved the outdoors. Roger loved to golf and he was an avid fly fisherman.

He tied his own flies and fished every chance he got. He was a huge Blazers and Ducks fan.

He worked at Benetti's Italian Restaurant in downtown Coos Bay for 22 years, and was a great favorite of

staff and customers alike. Restaurant owner Joe Benetti said Roger's death is like losing a member of the family. "If you dined at Benetti's," he said, "you knew Roger." Staff remember Roger for his cheerful nature and his attention to his customers. If there were kids in his section, they always got some coins or candy from Roger, and he often walked customers out the door and right down the street to their cars.

All his life, Roger was a caring person. A childhood friend, remembering Roger, said, "All through school, and even in junior high when kids can be so mean, Roger was always so kind."

Because of his whimsical personality, his great sense of humor, his caring and kindness, Roger was blessed with a great many friends. He was

exuberant, talking a mile a minute. At times, even his closest friends weren't able to understand his machine-gunstyle conversations. When he stopped talking, they could only smile and nod, wondering what it was he had just said.

He is survived by his mother, Betty Justrom, of Coos Bay; son, Alex Justrom, Vancouver, Washington; grandson, Coen Justrom, Vancouver, Washington; brother, Bryan Justrom, Portland; and sisters, Debra Molner of Meridian, Idaho, and Donna Mattson, Palm Coast, Florida.

Private cremation rites were held at Ocean View Memory Gardens in Coos Bay. Friends and family are encouraged to sign the guestbook at www.coosbayareafunerals.com.

July 23, 1950 - March 24, 2021

Russell Ivan Stallings



We are deeply saddened by the loss of our dear brother Russell Ivan Stallings who passed away Wednesday, March 24, 2021 at Bay Area Hospital in Coos Bay. Russell was born to Cecil Bowden (Bowdy) Stallings and Arlene Estelle Stallings of Coos Bay, July 23, 1950. Russell was blessed

with a large loving family and genuinely enjoyed the outdoors and had a love for nature which included hiking and mushroom picking. He

Gladys Fay McGill

December 16, 1938 - April 5, 2021



A funeral service will be held for Gladys Faye McGill, 82, of Allegany, at 2:00 pm Friday April 9, 2021 at Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave, Coos Bay. A Committal service will be held at 2:00 pm on Monday April 12, 2021 at Sunset Memorial Park in Coos Bay. Gladys was born Decem-

ber 16, 1938 in Lenoir, North

Lakeside, passed away on April 3, 2021 in Lakeside. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel,

loved animals and people and enjoyed visiting with anyone he met.

He has been a blessing to all his family with his wit and outrageous sense of humor. He could always make you laugh no matter what he was going through he would put a smile on your face.

He always greeted you with a smile and of course a hug.

He will be deeply missed by all those who knew him, and he is leaving a hole in many people's hearts.

We will love him forever until we meet again. Russell had recently come to the Lord and we know he is with his savior and we know he is at peace.

There will be a celebration of life from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm, Friday, July 23, 2021 at the Bastendorff Beach Gazebo.

Russell spent the last 23

Carolina, the daughter of Jon and Della (Holtsclaw) Oakes. She moved with her family

> educated. As a young adult she moved to Southern California where she got married and raised her family. She was a loving mother, wife, grandmother, great grandmother, sister, and aunt who never hesitated to share her love and her home.

when she was a young girl

where she was raised and

She enjoyed gardening, her dogs, her bit of heaven on the river, and most of all, her family. She was a Legend and had a heart as big as the universe.

She is survived by sons, Jason Madden of Portland, Terry Oakes of Allegany, Michael Salcido of 29 Palms, California, Lawrence Salcido of 29 Palms, California, Hector McGill of

DEATH NOTICES

Bay, Oregon, died Sunday, April 4, 2021 at her residence. Arrangements are under the care of Farmer

years with his soulmate, Linda Cross. He is survived by his partner, Linda; his daughter, Tona Houck; grandchildren, Tristan, Angeliah, MaKayla, Trinity, Bryson and Jace; siblings, Martin and Jan Stallings, Judy Rooke, Janice and Bob Matti, Brenda Blank, Chuck Stallings, Glenda and Mike Lanza; as well as a very extended family including nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts, and uncles.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his sons, Russy and Jamie; and his brother, Lee.

Though I leave this life I still exist, I am home with God and my loved ones who came before me. Do not weep for me for I am in the arms of Jesus.

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San Antonio, Texas, Shane McGill of North Bend; daughters, Sheri Davis of Woodland Park, Colorado, Carmen Smith of Coos Bay, Lacev Oakes-Oliver of North Bend, Valerie Chase of Coos Bay, Tralee "Zandi" Stevens of Allegany, Michelle McGill of Indio, California; 32 grandchildren; many great grandchildren; sisters, Linda Ramirez of Simi Valley, California, Cathy Smith of Talent and Joyce Dwyer of Colorado.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Roy Thomas McGill; son, Donnie Oakes; daughters, Leslie Salcido and Danielle McGill; brothers, Cecil and Ronnie Oakes; and sister, Jean.

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Betty (Roth) Parrish

May 30, 1943 - March 31, 2021



Betty (Roth) Parrish, loving wife and mother passed away peacefully in her home in Roseburg, Monday, March 31, 2021. Betty was 77 years old.

Betty was the daughter of Rex and Verna Roth and grew up in Coquille. Betty was a fourth generation Oregonian of the CoquilleValley. Betty grew up on a ranch that belonged to her family for generations and was a Dairy of Honor in the Coquille valley. During school at Coquille High School Betty was a member of the band and played the saxophone. Betty was also in 4-H and won for a cow named Star and lamb named Honeybabe that she raised and entered into the county fair. Betty met Gene Parrish, also of Coquille, at the CoosCounty fair in 1960. He fell madly in love with her and followed her around and pursued her until she finally gave in and went on a date with him for the first time. They married March

18, 1961 and were married for 60 years.

Betty loved to garden and landscape. Her yard and home always looked gorgeous with lots of healthy plants that benefited and thrived from her gentle green thumb. Betty was also an expert in herbal and naturopathic medicine.

Betty was beloved by all of her family. She dedicated and gave her life to being a loving, supportive wife, mother and caregiver to her children. She took care of her mother for many years along with her older sister until their passing. She was a beautiful soul inside and out and never looked or seemed her age. In fact people who knew her described her as a "timeless beauty" and no one could ever guess her age correctly when they tried.

Betty was full of love for her family and if anyone needed help it was often Betty that everyone turned to. She was always there to lend an ear and give positive words of support and wisdom when anyone in the family needed advice or just a person to talk to. Her family's great loss is heavens gain of a



daughter, Karen and son-inlaw, George Daskalakis of Forest Grove, Oregon; along with a brother, Roger Roth of Coquille; grandchildren, Alex Crockett of Toledo, Oregon, Ashton Crockett of Coquille, Christopher Parrish of Bend, Oregon, Haley Doney of Warrenton, Oregon, Camilla Moran of Fort Mitchell, Alabama, Sarah Daskalakis of Portland, Oregon, Nikolas Daskalakis of Cleveland, Ohio, Ariana Bender of Rock Creek, Oregon, Jacob Daskalakis of Forest Grove, Oregon; and eleven great grandchildren.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents, Rex and Verna Roth; her sister, Rosanne (Roth) Molthu; and grandson, Cody Parrish.

Graveside services will be held for immediate family at OceanViewMemoryGardens in Coos Bay, Oregon with a Celebration of Life following at a later date. Arrangements are under the care of Ocean View Memory Gardens Cremation & Burial Service, 541-888-4709 www.coosbayareafunerals.com

beautiful angelic soul the day she passed.

She is survived by her husband, Gene Parrish; daughter, Angela Parrish of Coquille; son, Michael Parrish of Clatskanie, Oregon; daughter-inlaw, Katherine (Parrish) Bode of Warrenton, Oregon; son, Daniel Parrish of Coquille;

DEATH NOTICES

Ervin W. Sutton, 89, of

Coos Bay, passed away on

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Val J. Rich, 73, of North Bend, passed away on April 4, 2021 in North Bend. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440, www.coosbavareafunerals.com.

Helen LaVonne Hess, 73 of Filer, formerly of Coos

Funeral Service, Buhl.

Elnora Lillian Leaton, 93, of Coos Bay, passed away April 5,2021 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 www.coosbayareafunerals.com

Eva Imogene Freerksen, 80, of Coos Bay, passed away April 3, 2021 in Coos

Jane I. Saxton, 79, of Coos Bay died April 6, 2021 in Bandon. At her request, no public services will be held. Cremation rites will be held at Ocean View Memory Gardens Crematory, Coos Bay under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel 685 Anderson Ave. 541-267-3131. www. coosbayareafunerals.com



George Terpack, 76, of Independance, Oregon passed away April 3, 2021 in the company of his family. A remembrance will be held at a future date.

Anthony "Tony" G. M. Salazar, 57, of Coos Bay died April 3, 2021 in Coos Bay. Services will be announced and held at a later date. Cremation rites will be held at Ocean View Memory Gardens Crematory, Coos Bay under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel 685 Anderson Ave. 541-267-3131. www.coosbayareafunerals. com

Elizabeth "Liz" M. Stewart, 34, of Coos Bay died March 24, 2021 in Coos Bay. Services will be announced and held at a later date in Coos Bay and Ohio. Cremation rites will be held at Ocean View Memory Gardens Crematory, Coos Bay under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel 685 Anderson Ave. 541-267-3131. www. coosbayareafunerals.com

Joseph E. Reynolds, 73, of Myrtle Point, died April 3, 2021 in Coquille. Ar-



March 31, 2021 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440, www.coosbayareafunerals.com.

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DEAR ABBY By Abigail Van Buren

MIDDLE-AGED MAN HAS BONE TO PICK WITH MIDDLE-AGED WOMEN

DEAR ABBY: I have something to say about "Still Fun in the South" (Jan. 4) and her complaint that single middle-aged men only look for younger women, instead of women their age. I am a 53-year-old widower. I have a six-figure income. I'm smart, healthy, easygoing and have a good life with many hobbies and interests.

On multiple dating apps, I have swiped right on dozens of women my age. My main criteria were that they weren't fanatically religious or rabidly political. Would you like to know how many swipe rights I received in return? Not one! I feel middle-aged women are far more picky than their younger counterparts, which is why I'm currently in a relationship with a woman in her mid-30s. I don't pursue younger women -- they pursue me while the women around my age couldn't be bothered.

I realize my dating experience is anecdotal, and there are extenuating circumstances (COVID), but I don't like being lumped into a category and complained about as if middle-aged women share none of the responsibility.

I want to tell "Still Fun" that if she wants a relationship with someone her age, she needs to be a little less judgmental and picky and give those middle-aged men who actually show an interest a chance. She might find there's more to them than appears in a dating profile. -- SEASONED IN SALT LAKE CITY

DEAR SEASONED: The responders to "Still Fun's" letter pointed out the advantages AND disadvantages of dating people younger, older and the same age. But the common denominator for successful dating, according to those readers, is

to emphasize what you are happy about in your life and describe your passions and interests. Someone who exudes confidence, a love of life and who doesn't come across as desperate for a permanent move-in partner can do very well.

DEAR ABBY: Our daughter is engaged to the most wonderful young man. We all got along very well, including his parents with us. After one discussion about politics, they realized we're on opposite sides of the spectrum and everything changed. They no longer call, or they hesitate to answer our calls.

We want to make things better because our daughter is deeply in love with their son, and she loves his parents. Could you please provide some suggestions? --**OOPS! IN VIRGINIA**

DEAR OOPS!: I can try, but there are no guarantees. While you and the other set of parents may disagree about solutions to the problems in this country, on one subject you should all be unified. That subject is wanting the happiness of your children and grandchildren when you are blessed with them. For this reason, make an agreement to put aside political differences, never again discuss them and work cooperatively together toward your mutual goal. However, if they cannot agree, you and your husband must accept that there may be a strain in your relationship until time can heal the breach.

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.

Sue

From A1

Baugh said Rose volunteered to take over payroll early in 2020, a move he agreed to. In her claim, Rose says Baugh requested she fill in the gaps, not that she volunteered. The city initially used Cardinal for payroll services, but Baugh and Rose say that did not work out. Rose said the city failed to train her on the new system, while Baugh said Cardinal was not set up to handle the city's payroll, pointing to the city's multiple unions and pay structures.

When the city then moved to ADP for payroll, Rose said she still wasn't trained on the new technology, leading to errors in the system. She said Baugh was unresponsive to any concerns she raised.

"In or around the Fall of 2020, it became clear that Mr. Baugh did not want to hear Ms. Rose's reports any longer and wanted to silence her," Rose's letter to the city claims. "The reason for Mr. Baugh's resistance became apparent because Mr. Baugh was personally implicated in the financial mismanagement."

Baugh again paints a very different picture. In early 2020, Coquille hired HMW CPAs & Associates to help with the finances. In an email from Laura Fisher, assurance services partner, to Baugh's city manager email address, Fisher said it was difficult to find information on city finances because Rose refused to assist.

In the email, Fisher said reports that should have taken 10 minutes to produce took weeks with Rose. Fisher said Rose was so slow to return some reports, she asked other employees to do them.

The city later worked with Merina and Company. In a report from Merina, the com-

pany said Rose was difficult to work with and seemed to be attempting to stall any progress on fixing the finance department.

"Ms. Rose directly undermined the progress we were attempting to make in building a team within the Finance Department based on a culture of customer service," the report reads. "Her communications were at times inappropriate and unprofessional.'

The World acquired emails to the City of Coquille from HMW CPAs, Merina, CIS Oregon and the Public Employee Retirement System. Representatives from all four agencies voiced similar concerns that Rose was hindering their ability to look at city finances.

Rose denied the claims in a statement.

"I understand that one of Mr. Baugh's retaliatory allegations against me was that I failed to communicate with vendors," Rose wrote. "However, even the City's woefully biased investigation did not substantiate this allegation. Of course I was more than willing to assist the City's

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Letter of intent to sue from Jennifer Rose

efforts to correct the City's financial situation."

Rose says she escalated her concerns to the city council, requesting a meeting to report the city manager's "wrongdoings" through the city attorney. Rose says that right after the city attorney arranged for a meeting between Rose and the city

council, Baugh informed her she was under investigation for "the very wrongdoings that he himself committed," Rose's letter of intent claims.

"The November 9, 2020 Notice of Investigation was blatantly retaliatory and contained no fewer than sixteen areas of false allegations," Rose's attorney wrote in the claim.

OBITUARIES

Cheryl Ann Schindele

November 29, 1948 - March 31, 2021



held for Cheryl Ann Schin-

dele, 72, of Coos Bay, under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary. Cheryl was born November 29, 1948 at Ft. Wayne, Indiana, the daughter of Cecil and Virginability to move forward and forgive.

She is survived by her husband of 25 years, Gary Schindele, of Coos Bay; son, Gram McGregor of Spokane,

Baugh said retaliation was never part of his decision. He said he began discussing Rose's employment with the city attorney and city insurance company in early October, long before Rose reached out to the council. When he received the Merina report, he placed Rose on paid administrative leave.

Rose took her claims of Baugh's mismanagement to the city council November 23, after which the city council terminated Baugh's employment. At the time, city officials cited "issues with city finances" as the reason for Baugh's dismissal, declining to comment further to The World on the matter.

But that meeting didn't end the city's investigation into Rose, she said. The city kept her on administrative leave and proceeded with what she calls a "witch

Oregon Women Veterans Conference goes virtual

The Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs is excited to announce the return of the Oregon Women Veterans' Conference, which will be held virtually for the first time on Saturday, May 22.

diversity and strength of Oregon's women veteran community, and is the largest gathering of women-identifying veterans in the state.

'We are keeping the original theme that was chosen

importance of recognizing and celebrating the common bonds of service and sacrifice that unite us all."

This year's virtual conference will be presented using Whova, the award-winning



The city of Coquille could be facing a lawsuit after a former city recorder threatened to sue after she was terminated last month.

and unprofessional." **Report to Coquille from Merina and Company** hunt" investigation into her management of city funds, and which Rose said resulted in her termination earlier this year.

"The City's actions appear to be an attempt to grasp at straws to ruin Ms. Rose and silence her for good as a result of her willingness to provide evidence of the city's mismanagement," Rose's attorney wrote.

Interim City Manager Scott Sanders, who's been the city's top administrator since Baugh's firing, said he

couldn't comment on the allegations due to the pending litigation.

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Rose's claim hasn't yet been filed in court. She's asking the city for an "honest and thorough" review of the evidence used in firing her and the "botched" investigations as well as a hearing to "clear her name and restore her employment."

Baugh said Wednesday he was unaware of Rose's potential lawsuit. He said he just wants to find a new job and get on with his life.

ia (Brocke) Harris.

Cheryl was a devoted special education teacher for over 30 years including 18 years with the Coos Bay School District where she retired in 2017.

She had a positive impact on so many of her students because her heart was always filled with compassion, empathy, kindness, and her

Washington; daughter, Amie Belisle of Portland; five beloved grandchildren; three great grandchildren; a brother, Robert Harris of Florida; and a sister, Patricia Kingery of Colorado.

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Women veterans make up one of the fastest-growing segments of the Oregon veteran community, with an estimated 25,000 women veterans living in the state today, representing nearly one-tenth of overall veteran population.

This free biennial conference, organized by ODVA for more than 22 years, celebrates the contributions,

for the 2020 event, 'Stronger Together,' which seems even more appropriate considering all that has transpired for Oregonians over the past year," said ODVA Director Kelly Fitzpatrick, who also is a woman veteran. "These challenges have only underscored the strength and resilience of our Oregon veteran community, as well as the

event management platform that will enable ODVA's team to replicate major aspects of the in-person conference. The program will include inspirational speakers, informative seminars and breakout sessions, and opportunities to network with other veterans and receive direct assistance in accessing earned benefits and other resources.



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Bandon takes a stand against child abuse Art by the





Contributed photos On April 1, Bay Area Hospital Kids HOPE Center planted pinwheels to remember the children the center cared for in the previous year. While the ceremony was going on in Coos Bay, Bandon also joined in the effort to stand up against child abuse. From left, Jordan Jensen, Jasmine Jensen and Mariah Jensen planted a garden of hope at First Presbyterian Church of Bandon. With April set as Child Abuse Awareness Month, the pinwheels are set out to honor children who have been abused and to remind the community that abuse is a problem all must look out for.

Sea hosting open house for Vilahu Saturday

Art by the Sea Gallery and Studio invites the community to attend an open house from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 10, to view the works of April Featured Artist Sandy Vilahu.

Vilahu was the winner of the People's Choice Award from the "Eye & the Lens" exhibit in 2020.

The members exhibit, "Flowers & Four Legged Friends" continues for the month along with other new works from various members.

The gallery recently announces the winner of The People's Choice Award for the "Eye & the Lens" community exhibit held in February 2021 is Annetta Adams. Adams will be a featured artist at the gallery in 2022.

Guests are invited to come enjoy the art as well as the company of the gallery's various artists throughout the day. Guests may also partake in 'grab and go' snacks.

"Call to Artists" have recently gone out for two upcoming exhibits at Art by the Sea Gallery, "Miniature & Small Works," and "Celebrating Collage," a postcard show. If you're interested in participating in these community shows, stop by the gallery or check their website for information. The entries are due May 2-3.

Art by the Sea Gallery continues its commitment to following our state and CDC requirements and recommendations by having hand sanitizer available, cleansing all surfaces and requiring the wearing of masks by staff and visitors. Social distancing will be observed, and a maximum of nine people will be allowed in at this time.

Gallery happenings can always be found on their website, especially new "Call to Artists" announcements and entry forms at www. artbytheseagallery.com or Facebook for the latest art news. And, watch for our videos of gallery works on Instagram and our website.

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

Gallery hours are 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. daily.

Virtual art show set for April 18 at Southern Coos Hospital

BANDON - Join Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center at a virtual opening reception for the newest Quarterly Art Show related to the theme "By the Light of the Moon" from 1-3 p.m. Sunday, April 18, on the SCHHC website at https:// southerncoos.org/art/

"Walk" through the virtual gallery and listen to featured artist Tracy Hodson talk about her mosaics and the process involved in creating them.

For those who can't make the opening, the art show and talk will be available on the hospital's website for all to enjoy at their leisure.

The exhibit will have an eclectic selection of moon-themed art to browse through, created by local artists, from acrylics to watercolors, collages, photographs, wood carvings and more, along with Hodson's stunning mosaics.

The show runs through June 2021.







Contributed photos

The Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center will host a virtual opening reception for the newest Quarterly Art Show on April 18. Included will be Ophelia, a mosaic by Tracy Hodson, above; Mystic River, a print on acrylic by Matte Hanna, far left; and Many Moons, a watercolor by Victoria Tierney.

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AS I SEE IT

By Mary Schamehorn

The first picture I am sharing was taken in September of 1957 after a valiant fight to save this 40-foot commercial fishing boat, Star, which ended up on the beach south of the jetty.

The boat's owner, Harold Powell, and his son Richard, both of Charleston, were rescued from their sinking craft by another fishing boat, William A, near Whiskey Run, the point of land north of the Coquille River mouth.

They had fish on the deck and were oblivious of anything wrong until the owner noticed water splashing over the gurleys. As the owner investigated he discovered the boat was filling with water, according to a front-page article in the Western World.

"The William A. took the Powells aboard and took the semi-sunken Star in tow, after receiving a radio reply which indicated that the Bandon bar was 'flat,' so they headed for Bandon, staying close to the beach. The tug Port of Bandon went out about 6 p.m. to assist, according to Capt. Andy Bohnert.

"The fishermen found the Bandon bar with heavy swells and anything but "flat,' they indicated later (with some understandable bitterness).

"Fearing the William A. was not adequately equipped to tow the half-sunken Star across the rough bar, the fishermen asked the tug to take over the tow.

"By this time darkness had fallen, and anxious watchers on the south jetty peered into the night to see the tug, with towing lights on, working its way across the bar into the river.

"Bohnert said the worst part of the tow had been completed, with the Star well into the channel. The tug stopped to take in some line when the shackle holding the towline onto the Star, apparently gave way and the tug's line came free.'

What was left of the boat eventually washed up onto the beach.

The second photo, taken in April of 1966, was titled "Fire with a purpose." The equipment is the State of Oregon's pavement burner. It had been in Bandon two weeks earlier to burn off excess tar which had risen to the surface of the highway during the winter, causing slippery road conditions. Pavement was left rough after the machine went over it, providing a safer non-skid surface. This picture was taken on Highway 42S, with the business that is now a Mexican restaurant in the background. Not sure if, at that time, it was Rumpty's or The Snack Shack, but it was one of the two. Ken and Carol Kreutzer owned Rumpty's and Ann and Gordon Texley owned The Snack Shack. The third photo was taken in September of 1965 as local physician, Dr. E.F. Lucas, administered the influenza vaccine to school district personnel, including Bandon Heights Grade School teacher Irene (Mrs. L.A.) Willett.

Board, with incumbent David Hisel running unopposed. A husband and wife combo, plumber Stan Avery and his wife Theresa, have filed, with Stan running against incumbent Marie Simonds (as is newcomer Jeannette M. Harper) and Theresa Avery running against the incumbent board chairman Angela Cardas.

The wreck of the Star

I am having a hard time understanding why the Averys would want to be on the school board since they have homeschooled their children for a number of years. I emailed Harper, who said she and her husband have been Oregon residents for about four years. She worked for the state of California and retired after 39 years. She is also a member of the Bandon Gun Club and acts as their bookkeeper and in February was elected secretary.

Jeannette Harper has also filed for position No. 2 on the Bandon RFPD, running against long-time incumbent Larry Sabin. Anthony Zunino has filed for Position No. 1 on the fire board.

There are three vacancies on the board of the Southern Coos Health District, with Norbert Johnson, who was appointed to the board Nov. 19, filing for Position No. 4; Brent Bischoff, general manager of Coos Curry Electric, has filed for Position No. 5. He is currently secretary of the board.

What I did find interesting is that no one filed for Position No. 2, the seat on the hospital board to which Cary McGagin, a realtor based at Coastal Sotheby's in Bandon, was appointed Dec. 3. This means that either he forgot to file and will mount a write-in campaign, or he decided he did not want to run again. Either way, someone else can decide to mount a write-in campaign as it's a wide-open seat. The other members of the board are chairman David Allen and treasurer Edie Jurgenson.

There was a mix-up in filing for the cranberry water control district, with two of the incumbents accidentally filing for the same position. Growers John Roth and Ted Freitag both filed for Position No. 1. Freitag is the incumbent in Position No. 3 and people are urged to vote for Roth for No. 1 and write in Ted Freitag's name for Position No. 3. Scott Vierck is running unopposed as the incumbent for Position No. 2. School board member and executive director of Wild Rivers Coast Alliance Marie Simonds is also running for an at-large seat on the South Coast Education Service District.

are his daughter Brenda Leach-Tison of Bandon and son Roger and wife Kim of Myrtle Point. He is also survived by his brother Theran Leach and sister Sarah, both of whom attended school in Bandon.

Brenda advised that there will be no service.

I remember that when they lived in Bandon some years ago, Willie was very involved with the Bandon Jaycees.

I don't know the details, but I saw an item in The World that said the Harbor Lights Middle School principal Dustin Clark had resigned effective March 26. The superintendent Doug Ardiana, who announced his retirement effective the end of the school year, will serve as principal for the next couple of months.

Becky Armistead, the current principal of Ocean Crest, will become the new HLMS principal, and Courtney Wehner, a teacher in the district, will be the new Ocean Crest principal.

Judging from the positive comments on Facebook positions, the parents are very happy with the decisions.

Rumors have been swirling around the fact that a large number of trailers had appeared on an abandoned property in the Gardiner area, which, by the way is not in Coos County, but is in Douglas County.

I won't repeat some of the rumors that I have heard, but suffice it to say none were true.

I called my friend Linda McCollum, the mayor of Reedsport, to find out what was really happening.

She said FEMA (Federal **Emergency Management** Agency) has leased the old IP (International Paper) mill property to store trailers, which are being sent to various areas of the Northwest where people have lost their homes to wildfires. The trailers were stored at a different location, but FEMA was forced to move and they were able to lease the Gardiner property. Linda assured



Photos contributed by the Mary Schamehorn collection The wreckage of the commercial fishing boat, the Star, is seen on the beach after it fell apart in 1957. Middle, an Oregon state truck uses fire to burn off excess tar on roads in Bandon. Bottom, Dr. E.F. Lucas gives the flu vaccine to

number since the pandemic started a year ago, so that is not an encouraging statistic.

school district personnel in 1965.

I also learned that the Bandon fifth grade was forced to take a longer spring vacation because one of the students was infected and had been in the classroom.

I saw an article Sunday that said part of the SpaceX Rocket that was reportedly responsible for the great light show last week in the Northwest was recovered by a farmer in Eastern Washington.

After many saw the bright light in the night sky, it was quickly surmised to be a rocket belonging to Elon Musk and his SpaceX company. Officials in Grant County, Wash., said a 5-foot-long "composite-overwrapped pressure vessel" was retrieved from a private field in Ephrata, Wash.





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The deadline to file for various boards and commissions, including hospital board, school board, port commission, Rural Fire Protection District board and the Bandon Cranberry Water Control District is over, and some of the filings are interesting, to say the least.

Port Commissioners Rick Goche and Reg Pullen are running unopposed, while Commissioner Harv Schubothe is being challenged by Bandon resident Rodney Taylor. I will try, to the best of my ability, to let my readers know who some of the candidates are, particularly if they are not the incumbents. Taylor last made the news when he was cited for a curfew violation in Washington, D.C. the night of Jan. 6. He has also filed for the Coos County Area Transportation District.

There are three vacancies on the Bandon School

I learned last week that long-time Bandon resident Ilse Von Roon had died March 27 at the age of 80 of an apparent heart attack. Von Roon will be remembered as having started the Gypsy Wagon business some years ago in the small shop on Second Street adjacent to the bakery.

I also heard that Willie Leach, a member of the BHS Class of 1955, died April 1 at his home in Florence where he lived with his wife, Betty. Among his survivors

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me no one will be living in the trailers as they are simply being stored there until they can be moved to areas where housing is needed for people who lost their homes to fire.

The World also had a similar story on their front page last week. I know it would be more "intriguing" for some to think that 3,100 refugees were being shipped to Gardiner, but well, it just isn't true! And I was pretty sure it wasn't when I first read the Facebook post.

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We all know by now that Coos County has moved into the high risk category, and we can only hope that as more and more vulnerable people get vaccinated, maybe the governor will rethink restrictions and let our restaurants and bars stay open.

I do know that Coos County had 13 Covid deaths during the month of March, which is over half the

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Coquille to host Drug Take Back Day

From 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 24, the Coquille Police Department and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration will provide the public the opportunity to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous, expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs. Bring your pills for disposal to Coquille Police Department at 851 N. Central Blvd., Coquille.(Sites cannot accept liquids, needles or sharps, only pills or patches.)

The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked.

National Prescription Drug Take Back Day is a safe, convenient and responsible way to dispose of unused or expired prescription drugs at locations in communities throughout the country.

The October 2020 Take Back Day brought in 985,392 pounds (492.7 tons) of medication nationwide. This is the largest amount ever collected in the program's 10 years.

This brings the total amount of prescription drugs collected by DEA since the fall of 2010 to nearly 13.7 million pounds.

What Should You Do with Your Unused Meds?

Most people who misuse prescription drugs get them from family, friends and acquaintances.

You can make a difference by keeping track of the medicine you have, by rethinking where and how you keep your medications in your home and by safely disposing of any unused medications.

In addition to DEA's National Prescription Drug Take Back Day, there are many other ways to dispose of unwanted prescription drugs every day, including the 11,000 authorized collectors that are available all year long, including the drop box located in the lobby of the Coquille Police Department. For information, call 541-396-2114.

The FDA also provides information on how to properly dispose of prescription drugs. More information is available here: https://www. fda.gov/consumers/consumer-updates/where-and-how-dispose-unused-medicines.

For more information about the disposal of prescription drugs or about the April 24 Take Back Day event, go to www.DEATakeBack. com or call 541-396-2114.

Zonta Club offering Patty J. Barton scholarship

The Zonta Club of the Coos Bay Area is pleased to announce applications are open for the second Patty J Barton Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship potentially totals \$20,000, paid directly to the student's accredited school of choice. The total award amount will be divided and paid over several qualifying terms of study until fully expended. Application due date is May 15 with the scholarship awarded July 1. Applications are available now on the club's website www.zontacoosbayarea.org.

Patty Barton was a long-time member of the Zonta Club of the Coos Bay Area. When she passed in 2018 after her courageous battle with cancer, a scholarship fund was established in her name.

Widowed at 28, Patty was left alone to raise her two daughters. She worked hard to give them a good life, overcoming many challenges. Preference for this scholarship is given to Coos County applicants who demonstrate focus and determination in facing significant life challenges from which they are rebuilding. Financial need is also considered. Patty had a passion for providing educational opportunities to women who faced challenges as she once did as a single parent.

With the support of her husband Jon Barton, Zonta can offer the Patty J. Barton Memorial Scholarship for a second time. The scholarship fund is administered by the Coos Bay Area Zonta Service Foundation. Funds are currently raised from designated contributions and through the club's fundraising efforts. The first scholarship of \$20,000 was awarded in 2020 to Nikki Wright of Coos Bay.

For information about Zonta or to donate visit www.zontacoosbayarea.org.

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Patty J. Barton

A majority of Oregonians willing to pay for increased investment in wildfire prevention

A recently conducted opinion research survey shows Oregonians are extremely concerned about the risk of wildfire. Seventy-four percent of people surveyed were extremely or very concerned about the destruction of homes associated with wildfires, while 68 percent were concerned both about loss of human life and harm to forest health.

The survey was conducted between February 22-March 1 by FM3 Research on behalf of nonprofit organizations 1000 Friends of Oregon, Resources Legacy Fund, Sustainable Northwest and The Nature Conservancy.

The survey found groups ranging from Republicans living in small towns and rural areas to urban-dwelling Democrats were willing to fund solutions to address the threat of wildfire and its aftermath.

"Oregonians of all backgrounds, political beliefs and walks of life recognize the significant risk wildfires pose to everything from our homes to wildlife habitat," said Greg Block, president of Sustainable Northwest. "People understand we need to invest in maintaining our forests for our own health and safety as well as for Oregon's economic wellbeing."

According to the poll, which

surveyed likely voters through a combination of phone interviews and online surveys, Oregonians are particularly supportive of efforts that would restore forest health to promote resistance to wildfire through thinning overgrown forested areas and conducting prescribed fires.

Survey respondents also flagged protecting drinking water quality, encouraging the creation of defensible space around homes in fire-prone areas and increasing resources available to firefighters as priorities.

"Firefighters put their lives on the line to protect people, homes and businesses in extremely dangerous conditions. That is not a longterm solution – we need to build a more wildfire resilient Oregon that protects people, natural resources, the land on which we grow food and fiber and critical infrastructure. Oregonians have told us they are willing to invest in that," added Russ Hoeflich, executive director of 1000 Friends of Oregon.

Most survey respondents also recognized that the increase in wildfire activity over recent years is a sign that Oregon has not done enough to address the threats posed by catastrophic wildfire. Recognizing the urgent need to invest in improved forest management, 73 percent of respondents said they were willing to pay an annual fee of \$10 per year per household, perhaps as a new mandatory fee on homeowner's insurance policies. A clear majority – 55 percent – indicated a willingness to pay as much as \$50 annually per household to improve the state's wildfire readiness and response.

This would provide a meaningful investment in Oregon's wildfire resiliency.

"Oregon is experiencing more intense fire seasons, and our forests and the communities in and around them are becoming more vulnerable to severe impacts," said Jim Desmond, Oregon state director for The Nature Conservancy. "Oregonians know that we need comprehensive, science-based solutions to address wildfire that make our landscapes and communities more resilient, and they're willing to pitch in to get that work done."

Oregonians also have significant concerns about public health impacts related to widespread smoke. It was also clear through the survey that Oregon residents have a general understanding that our drinking water comes from our forested areas, so efforts to prevent erosion and other sources of water contamination that result from wildfires benefit urban and rural areas alike.

"Protecting the quantity and quality of drinking water is a significant and growing concern throughout the West," noted Michael Mantell, president of Resources Legacy Fund.

"Ensuring our forests are sustainable and healthy through science-driven management will go a long way toward securing the safe water we need in a warmer, drier future."

Belinda Brown, tribal partnerships director with the Lomakatsi Restoration Project and member of the Kosealekte Band, Ajumawi-Atsuge Nation (Pit River Tribe), concluded, "Protecting communities and natural resource values in southern Oregon from future extreme wildfire events will take significant investments in forest restoration and community preparedness.

"Practices like increasing defensible space, ecological thinning and application of prescribed fire — which indigenous people have been doing for thousands of years — can keep our communities safer, provide living wage jobs and protect cultural beneficial resources and the ecosystem services we all depend on."

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Bandon drivers Griff Smith, left, and Brody Montgomery both were track champions for the 2020 season at Coos Bay Speedway. This year's oval track season starts this weekend.

Dirt track racing season set to start at Coos Bay Speedway

THE WORLD

Coos Bay Speedway opens its oval track season this weekend, 50 years after plans for the racing complex, originally called Ken-Kel Parkway, were announced for the first time.

Saturday's dirt track opener is part of a weekend doubleheader that includes drag racing Sunday, an event to make up for one rained out March 28.

Saturday's racing on the oval dirt track includes the America's Mattress Super Late Models, Street Stocks, Sportsman Late Models, Mini Outlaws, Hornets and the Junior Stingers.

The grandstands open at 4 p.m., with racing starting at 6:30 p.m.

General admission is \$10, while senior citizens and students ages 7 to 17 get in for \$8. Children 6 and under get in free and a family pass good for two adults and up to three students is \$25.

On Sunday, the gates open at 10 a.m. and time trials start at 10 a.m., with bracket racing starting at 1 p.m.

The entry fee is \$50 for drivers and the entry fee is \$12 for spectators (free

for kids 6 and under). Next weekend will follow the same schedule, with racing on the oval dirt track Saturday, April 17, and drag racing

on Sunday, April 18. For a full schedule, visit www.coosbayspeedway.us.

This weekend marks the start of the

fifth season for Coos Bay Speedway as a NASCAR track. The season will include 25 dates on the oval track.

Defending track champions include Brody Montgomery for the America's Mattress Super Late Models, Ken Fox for Street Stocks, Trace Fugate for Sportsman Late Models, Isaac Stere for Hornets, Brad Hicks for Mini Outlaws and Grifff Smith for Junior Stingers.

Though Winged Sprints are not a paying division at the speedway, the ISCS Sprint Car Tour will make three stops at the speedway this season and the schedule also includes the annual Winged Sprint Car Battle at the Bay.

Bandon Best Ball tourney is April 24 11

Basketball season starts for SWOCC

Sports teams for multiple seasons in action at same time at college

THE WORLD

The Southwestern Oregon Community College basketball teams learned last week that the state had approved the NWAC proposal for basketball, and soon were playing their first games.

The men were on the court in Roseburg against Umpqua just a day after the state's approval, while the women played the next day in Albany against Linn-Benton.

Both teams entered this week looking for their first wins

The men fell to Umpqua 88-70 and then fell Monday in Eugene at Lane 88-87 after erasing a 22-point halftime deficit.

We had a chance to win at the buzzer but came up short," SWOCC coach Riley Grandinetti said.

The women fell to Linn-Benton 85-49 and to Lane 78-52.

The teams were at Mount Hood on Wednesday and host the Saints Saturday. No fans are allowed.

SOFTBALL

The Lakers earned four more high-scoring wins last weekend, sweeping a pair of doubleheaders from host Big Bend.

SWOCC won 10-5 and 20-1 on Friday and 17-9 and 23-3 on Saturday.

The Lakers suffered their first loss Tuesday, when they split a doubleheader at Clacktheir first home match Friday, when they host the Saints.

As with all other SWOCC sports, fans will not be allowed into Prosper Hall for the match.

The Lakers fell to Lane twice last week, losing in three sets on Thursday, 25-20, 25-15, 25-18; and on Friday, 17-25, 25-20, 25-21, 25-18.

Maghan had eight kills and a block the first match, while Grogan had 12 digs and two aces and Riness had 17 assists.

In the second match, Amanda Clark had 11 kills, two aces and 13 digs; Riness had 28 assists and three aces; and Jorgenson had six kills, and ace and three assist blocks.

SWIMMING

SWOCC's women suffered their first dual meet loss of the season in their final virtual dual meet, which included the Lakers, Iowa Central, Barton and South Georgia State.

The Lakers beat South Georgia State 137-26 and topped Barton 132-31. But Iowa Central beat the Lakers 106-88

SWOCC's men beat South Georgia State 129-53 but fell to Iowa Central 123-81 and to Barton 114-86.

Winners for SWOCC's women included Libbey Ketchum, who led a 1-2-3 sweep in the 1,500 with a time of 20:26.59, followed by Bethany Foster (20:55) and Gabbi Kincaid (21:36); LynDea Turner in the 200 backstroke (2:15.39); and the 400 freestyle relay team of Turner, Luci Brenner, Foster and Jacqueline Feurtado, which finished in 4:02.59. The Lakers were second in the 400 medley relay, with the team of Turner, Meredith Mandal, Feurtado and Lizzy Mulanax finishing in 4:22.19. Feurtado was second in the 200 butterfly (2:24.37). Other top-five finishes included Mandal fourth in the 200 freestyle (2:11.72); Mulanax (2:29.17), Brenner (2:29.65) and Emily Corbett (2:38.66) third through fifth in 200 individual medley; Foster third in 100 freestyle (1:01.95); Brenner (2:25.61) and Corbett (2:36.98), third and fourth in 200 backstroke; Ketchum fourth in 500 freestyle (6:08.22); and Mandal (2:48.42) and Mulunax (2:61.34) third and fourth in 200 breaststroke. SWOCC men who won events included Alejandro Robles Ruiz in the 200 backstroke (1:53.77) and the two relay teams. Robles Ruiz, Emile Dost, Lyle Fortune and Connor Spanos teamed in the 400 medley relay (3:36.46) and the same quartet was the winning 400 freestyle relay in 3:15.68, .01 seconds faster than Iowa Central. Dost was runner-up in the 200 breaststroke (2:11.22). Other top-five finishes for the Lakers included Wyatt Smith (17:29.75) and Huster Fosler (18:06.29), fourth and fifth in the 1,500 freestyle; Nicholas Topar, fifth in 200 freestyle (1:55.30); Gerardo Avila, fifth in 50 freestyle (23.49); Topar third in 200 butterfly (2:10.08); Spanos fifth in 100 freestyle (51.30); Fortune (2:06.07) and Brayden Franzke (2:07.48), third and fifth in 200 backstroke; and Smith third in 500 freestyle (5:04.17). The Lakers have one more meet Saturday for swimmers to get marks before the national championships in Florida April 28 through May 1.

Bandon Crossings will host annua two-person event

THE WORLD

Bandon Crossings will host the annual Bandon By the Sea Two-Person Best Ball tournament on Saturday, April 24.

The tournament begins with a shotgun start at 9:30 a.m.

The entry fee is \$70 per golfer (\$45 for Crossings Pass holders) and includes green fees, cart, range balls, continental breakfast, lunch and prize fund.

For the front nine, the best of the two scores per team will count, but for the back nine, both scores will count.

For more information, call Bandon Crossings at 541-347-3232 or email anthony@ bandoncrossings.com.

Crossings Cup

The annual race for the Crossings Cup has started with the first two events of the season.

Crossings Cup points are accumulated during the Casual Fridays games each week, with the top eight golfers at the end of the regular season in a match play bracket to determine the Crossings Cup champion.

People don't have to be in the Crossings Cup race to participate in Casual Fridays games.

Results for recent Casual Fridays events are included below.

Shamrock Shamble

Andrew Kimbell and James Kelley combined to win the Shamrock Shamble at Bandon Crossings on March 20.

The pair posted a score of 8-under 64 that was one shot better than two other teams — Dave Hilton and Dan van Donk and the father-son team of Jeff and Jackson Simonds.

The Simonds pairing had the best net score with a 65, which was six shots better than John and Judy Miles.

Shamrock Shamble March 20

Low Gross Andrew Kimbell and James Kelley 64, Dan van Donk and Dave Hilton 65, John Murphy and Neal Brown 68, Greg Harless and Bobby Cox 71, Peyton Simonds and Marie Simonds 71, Owen Bascomb and Zach Bascomb 78, Paul Berg and Nathan Smith 80

Low Net - Jeff Simonds and Jackson Simonds 56, John Miles and Judy Miles 62, Jim Lorenzen and Douglas Albee 63, Teressa Berg and Justin Johnson 65, Steve Harris and Wavne Harris 66. Steve Sharpe and Andy Farley 66.

Gross Skins James Kelley (birdie on 2, birdie on 6), Dan van Donk (birdie on 1), Marie Simonds (birdie on 15).

Net Skins - Judy Miles (eagle on 1, eagle on 9, eagle on 15), Marie Simonds (eagle on 4), James Kelley (birdie on 6), Jackson Simonds (double eagle on No. 8).

Closest to Pin – Peyton Simonds (Nos. 6 and 9), Justin Johnson (No. 11), Zach Bascomb (No. 14), Dave Hilton (No. 17)

Casual Fridays

March 26

Gross – Greg Harless Low 73, Mark Nortness 76, Charlie Stankiewicz 76, Neal Cahoon 77 Charlie Richard Stefiuk 77, Brian Gibson 77 Andrew Kimbell 78, Nick Bonander 81, Wes Thiegels 81, Jim Wakeman 83, Jim Sylvester 83, John Campbell 85, Chip England 88, Cedric John-ston 89, Robert Webber 98, Richard Wold 110.

Low Net – Bobby Cox 67, Dar-yl Robison 67, Ted McKenzie 68, Wim McSpadden 71, Brian Boyle 73, Mitch McCullough 73, Dewey Powers 74. Eric Oberbeck 74. John Ohanesian 74, Val Nemcek 75, David Kimes 75, Wes Osborne 75, Luke Thornton 76. Tom Gant 78. John Johnston 79, Craig Ford 82.

Closest to Pin - Andrew Kimbell (No. 6), Wes Thiegels (No. 11), Bobby Cox (No. 14), John Campbell (No.

April 2 Individual Stableford

Stableford Points - John Ohanesian 42, Mitch McCullough 39, Robert Webber 39. David Kimes 38. Wim McSpadden 37, Jim Sylvester 37, John Campbell 37, Cedric Johnston 37, Kevin Phillips 36, Wes Osborne 36, Tom Gant 36, Ryder DeSteunder 36, Neal Cahoon 35, Robert Bray 36, Mark Nortness 35, Bobby Cox 34, Jim Wakeman 34, Bryan Church

34, John Johnston 34, Rick Evans 33, Mark Brown 33, Andrew Kimbell 33, Wayne Everest 33, Greg Harless 32, Brian Gibson 31, Eric Oberbeck Ted McKenzie 31, Chip England 31 30, Val Nemcek 30, Gerard Ledoux 29, John Miles 26, Richard Wold 26, Brian Boyle 25, Luke Thornton 24, Michael Chupka 24, Craig Ford 19. Closest to Pin — Greg Harless (Nos. 6 and 17), Jim Wakeman (No. 9), Chip England (No. 11), Val Nemcek (No. 14).

Feb. 19

Low Gross — Shane Morehead 79, Bryan Church 79, Greg Harless 81, Mitch McCullough 81, Brian Gibson 82, Richard Stefiuk 85

Low Net - Wim McSpadden 68, Craig Ford 70, David Kimes 70, Jim /akeman 78, Bobby Cox 80.

Closest to Pin – Brian Gibson (No. 6), Bryan Church (Nos. 9 and 14), Craig Ford (No. 11), Wim Mc-Spadden (No. 17)

Feb. 26 Quota Total — Chip England +4, Greg Harless +2, Wim McSpadden 0, John Ohanesian 0, Ted McKenzie 0, David Kimes -1, Ryder Desteunder -1, Jeff Simonds -1, John Johnson -2, Bobby Cox -2, Tom Gant -3, Craig Ford -4, Richard Stefiuk -4, Jim Wakeman -4, Wayne Everest -7,

Kevin Phillips -9. Closest to Pin - Greg Harless (Nos. 6, 11, 14 and 17), Chip Enaland (No. 9).

March 12

Low Gross – Greg Harless 73, Bryan Church 75, John Shaw 78, Brian Gibson 79, Richard Stefiuk 82, Chris Martindale 83, Jim Lorenzen 84, Bobby Cox 84, Wayne Everest 84, Val Nemcek 86, Ted McKenzie 96, David Moore 99.

Low Net - Eric Oberbeck 65, Anthony Ulloa 68, Rodney Sexton 69, Daryl Robison 70, John Johnston 72, Tom Gant 73, Chip England 74, Wim McSpadden 75, Mitch McCullough 75, Luke Thornton 80, Richard Wold

Closest to Pin - Richard Stefiuk (No. 6), Val Nemcek (No. 9), Greg Harless (No. 11), Jim Lorenzen (No. 14), John Shaw (No. 17).

Saturday Skins

Feb. 27

Gross Skins - Bryan Church (birdie on 1, birdie on 18), Marie Simonds (birdie on 9, birdie on 11), Andrew Kimbell (birdie on 15).

Net Skins - Chris Martindale (birdie on 3, eagle on 14), Bryan Church (birdie on 1), Andrew Kimbell (birdie on 15), Marie Simonds (birdie on 11), Wim McSpadden (eagle on 16), Cedric Johnston (birdie on 10), John Miles (eagle on 5), Jackson Simonds (birdie on 7), Jeff Simonds (birdie on 8).

March 6

Gross Skins - John Miles (birdie on 12, birdie on 16), Alex Smith (birdie on 5, birdie on 15), Peyton Simonds (birdie on 9), Jon Gysbers

(birdie on 3)

(birdie on 14).

ie on 2)

on 14)

(No. 14).

Wold 57.

You vs. Par

Gross Skins

Net Skins - Jon Gysbers (birdie

Alex Smith (birdie on 15).

on 1, eagle on 3, eagle on 13), Bobby Cox (birdie on 14), John Miles (birdie

on 12), Peyton Simonds (birdie on 9),

March 13

(birdie on 1, birdie on 10), Bryan

Church (birdie on 5, birdie on 12), Greg Harless (birdie on 2), Steven

Robb (birdie on 15), Jim Wakeman

Net Skins – Greg Harless (birdie

on 2, birdie on 11), Cedric Johnston

(birdie on 1, eagle on 10), Steven Robb (birdie on 4, birdie on 15), Bry-

an Church (birdie on 12), Mitch Mc-

March 27

(birdie on 15, birdie on 17), Peyton

Simonds (birdie on 12), Jackson Si-

monds (birdie on 6), John Miles (bird-

April 3

on 10), Kevin Phillips (eagle on 12), Ryder Desteunder (birdie on 2), Alex

(birdie on 15), Dan Van Donk (birdie

Wacky Wednesdays

Feb. 17

Quota total - Bobby Cox +3, Rich-

ard Wold +1, Luke Thornton 0, John

Ohanesian 0, Robert Webber -2, Chi-

op England -3, Brian Gibson -3, Tom

Gant -4, Cedric Johnston -4, John

Shaw -6, Jim Sylvester -6, Jim Wake

man -6, John Johnston -7, Mitch Mc-

Cullough -7, Wim McSpadden -8, Val

Nemcek -10, John Campbell -11. Closest to Pin — Val Nemcek (No.

6), Bobby Cox (Nos. 9 and 17), Jim

March 24

Stableford Points - Bobby Cox

-6, Val Nemcek -11, Wim McSpad-

den -12, Rex Smith -13, Don Weis-

sert -13, Dewey Powers -14, Robert Webber -16, John Johnston -16, Richard Wold -18, Tom Gant -18.

Closest to Pin — Bobby Cox (No. 9), Rex Smith (Nos. 11 and 14).

March 31

Low Net - Don Weissert 39, Ryder

Desteunder 41, Richard Stefiuk 42,

Wim McSpadden 43, Chip England

43, Jim Sylvester 43, Dewey Powers

43, Philip Shoaf 43, Kevin Phillips 43,

Jim Wakeman 44, Mitch McCullough

44, Greg Harless 44, Bobby Cox 45,

Sam McCullough 45, John Johnston

46, Val Nemcek 46, Cedric Johnston

46, Brian Gibson 46, Gerard Ledoux

47, Robert Webber 48, John Ohane-

sian 49, Jim Lorenzen 49, Rodney

Sexton 52, Tom Gant 54, Richard

Closest to Pin - Rodney Sexton

(No. 6), Jim Wakeman (No. 9), Richard Stefiuk (No. 11), John Ohanesian

(No. 14), Sam McCullough (No. 17).

Front 9 odd, Back 9 even

vester (No. 11), Luke Thornton

18 Hole Throwout

mith (birdie on 9), KC Gonzales

Jeff Simonds (birdie

Gross Skins – Marie Simonds

Cullough (eagle on 16).

Gross Skins - Cedric Johnston

amas. SWOCC won the opener

15-14, but lost the nightcap 6-4.

The two teams meet again Friday in the first game on the Lakers' new turf field on the SWOCC campus.

BASEBALL

The Lakers were swept by Linn-Benton last weekend and face Lane this week, with a doubleheader in Eugene on Friday and one in Coos Bay on Sunday.

The Roadrunners swept the two games against the Lakers in Coos Bay 12-3 and 8-2. Noah Montoya had a home run and Maxwell Moore a pair of doubles in the opener and Jeffrey Fripp had a pair of singles and drove in both runs in the nightcap. Reedsport graduate Dallas McGill had a solid outing in the opener for the Lakers, pitching six innings and giving up three runs (two earned) while allowing two hits, striking out six and walking three. The Roadrunners added six runs after McGill came out of the game.

In Albany, the Roadrunners won 7-5 and 8-2. Jordan Crawford had two hits and Anu McCabe an RBI double in the opener and Crawford had a homer and single and drove in both runs in the nightcap.

VOLLEYBALL

SWOCC picked up a road sweep Wednesday when the Lakers beat Mount Hood 25-10, 25-19, 25-22 in Gresham.

Tayler Parks had 13 kills, eight aces and two digs in the match to lead the Lakers offense. Setter Halen Riness had 36 assists, nine digs and four kills in the win. Cianna Jorgenson had eight kills and six blocks, Claire Maghan had seven kills and Maegan Grogan had 11 digs.

Now that Coos County is out of the extreme risk category, the Lakers will get

This week in Coos County history: April 7-10

100 YEARS - 1921

Speed cop for Coquille road

Coos county court engages motorcyclist C.C. Williams of Coquille will maintain traffic laws — enforce load ruling

The Coos county court has appointed C.C. Williams of Coquille speed cop for the Coquille-Coos Bay highway. He has a motorcycle and will enforce traffic laws.

Cars going to Coquille which exceed the speed will be haled into Justice Stanley's court there and those coming to the Bay will be haled before Justice Joehnk in Marshfield.

It is expected that Mr. Williams will also have charge of the enforcement of the regulations against heavily loaded auto trucks passing over the new paving. The exact limit is still in doubt but it is claimed by some that the paving will not stand up under loads of more than three tons, including the weight of the vehicle.

Marshfield is giving its share

Quota for Irish sufferers is easily raised

Other parts of the state respond — delegation at Washington wire encouragement

The quota for Marshfield to be raised for the relief of the starving in Ireland will probably have been completed by this evening. The amount to be raised in the county is \$1500 and Marshfield's share is \$450.

Throughout the state the work of raising money has progressed rapidly. Frank J. Whalen at Portland, who is the state manager of the work of raising the fund, has received encouraging news from several quarters.

The following telegram was received from W.P. O'Brien, chairman Clatsop county:

"After four days campaign Astoria

over-subscribed entire quota for Clatsop county."

Rev. Luke Sheehan, chairman of Deschutes county, wired as follows:

"Quota for Deschutes county will be trebled when campaign finished."

From Congressmen

The following is copy of telegram received from Oregon Congressmen:

"Washington, D.C. April 6, 1921: "Answering your telegram. We wish you

every success in your efforts to raise funds to alleviate sufferings of starving women and children in Ireland. Our people have never failed to respond to appeals of humanity and will not fail in this instance."

Will put Crater Lake on the map

Company formed to develop the park

Plan meets with the approval of the director of the National Park Service

(Special from Coos Bay Times Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, April 8 — Stephen T. Mather, director of the national park service, when his attention was called to the organization of a company to put Crater Lake, Oregon, on the map, with every facility for comfort and enjoyment at this great national monument, was delighted and said everything possible will be done to co-operate with the Oregon men who have undertaken this task. "Reports from H.M. Albright, superintendent of Yellowstone national park and field assistant to the director, on the results of the meetings in Portland under auspices of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, have greatly encouraged our efforts to have the Crater Lake national park take its proper place as one of the greatest tourist attractions in the United States," said Mr. Mather today.

conducts a little grocery and cigar store on North Front street was arrested for selling vanilla extract. It was analized and found to contain 42 per cent alcohol.

The action was taken after Mike McCormick was taken into custody after having been drinking the extract and finally told where he got it. Richter denied that he had sold the extract. McCormick will probably be called as a witness against him. The officers say that several men about the city have been drinking vanilla extract excessively and that they will try to put a stop to it.

Library shows a big increase

Increase in number of books taken out

More patrons during March than same month last year — new books which were added

At the monthly meeting of the Marshfield library board held this week, the librarian reported an excellent growth in the circulation of the library through the month of March. The total of 2581 books was circulated to Marshfield homes. This was about 553 more than the number sent out during the same month last year. The average daily circulation is about 100 books.

A story hour is held every Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. During the month, over 100 children took advantage of this opportunity to become familiar with the heroes of ancient folk lore.

New books received

Among the books recently received at the library are Code of Oregon Laws; Sanchez, life of Mrs. Robert Louis Stevenson; Whitely, story of Opal; O'Brien, White Shadows of the South Seas; Lewis, Main street; Peele, Mining Engineer's handbook; Hale, An American's London.

50 YEARS - 1971

Coastal planning

Reedsport's Boe urges 'balance'

SALEM (UPI) — Sen. Jason Boe, D-Reedsport, said Wednesday he is tired of being labeled a pollutor because he lives on the coast and "feels there can be a balance between economy and ecology."

Boe spoke out during a hearing on coastal planning before the Senate State and Federal Affairs Committee.

A representative of the Oregon Environmental Council had accused the committee of attempting an "end run" around the Senate Environmental affairs committee which is considering bills of protection of Oregon estuaries.

Boe serves on both committees.

Boe suggested one estuary protection bill as originally proposed would have made the coast "an economic Appalachia."

He said the bill under consideration Wednesday was "talking about an emphasis on balance." Boe said "we're trying to achieve a balance (between economics and ecology) where people can live on the coast."

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1971 spelling error amuses Marshfield students



If you're going to goof, do it in a big way . . . and that's what the city paint crew did when it painted large "School Crossing" signs on street intersections near Marshfield High School. The sign on Hall at

and agencies," it said.

Also recommended is that a complete hydrological study of the bay be made.

The report was released in draft form by L.B. Day, regional coordinator for Interior Secretary Rogers Morton. It follows nearly a year of study by a number of federal agencies.

Gov. Tom McCall said of the report, "I am greatly impressed."

The report was critical of the industrial development along the Coos Bay waterfront. It says onshore sewage facilities must be provided for ships to keep from polluting the water. New basins must be developed for ever-increasing super ships which can't maneuver the present channels to the Coos Bay waterfront. No more dredge material should be piled in recreational areas of the bay, the report said, and harbor sprawl should be controlled.

It suggests a plan is needed to restore and reopen the Coos Bay waterfront, from North Bend to Coos Bay.

What is vitally needed, the report said, is that federal, state, and local governments generate, coordinate, and put into action a management plan for the bay.

NB gains increase of 74 in city count

A special North Bend door-to-door city census conducted in March showed an increase of 74 persons over figures reported previously by the 1970 federal census, according to City Administrator Jack Isadore.

The federal count gave the city 8,553 resi-

Seventh is misspelled (crssoing), drawing humorous comments from a few students, including (from left) Tim Biasca, Dan James and Merry Marr. — World photo by Grace Thill.

a shutdown also could have adverse effects on businesses within the county.

The roots of peace

Ceremony honors Oregon's newest Heritage Tree and legacy of reconciliation

BROOKINGS — This tiny tree's roots run deep, spreading through imposing forests, out across the Pacific, down through time.

Though it's little more than 4 feet tall and 9 years old, a spasely-limbed coastal redwood hiding amidst the shadows in the Siskiyou Mountains 20 miles east of Brookings has a remarkable story to tell.

Now, that story has been recognized as an indelible part of Oregon's history.

In a ceremony Saturday, the Bombsite Redwood was dedicated as an Oregon Heritage Tree, becoming the smallest, and youngest tree to receive such a distinction. The lone sapling planted by the only man to ever drop bombs on the American mainland during wartime is now one of 18 Oregon Heritage Trees, including a cherry tree planted in Eugene by the city's founder, a hickory that grew from nuts settlers gathered along the Oregon Trail and the world's largest-diameter ponderosa pine.

Nobua Fujita planted the Bombsite Redwood in 1992 at the remote location on Wheeler Ridge scorched on Sept. 9, 1942, by incendiary bombs dropped from his single-engine seaplane. The attack was one of two daring pre-dawn bombing missions launched from I-25, the large Japanese submarine that lurked off Oregon's coast the summer and fall of 1942, shelling and sinking Allied vessels. Three of the four 170-pound bombs Fujita and his spotter, Shoji Okuda, dropped on Wheeler Ridge and another location near Port Orford failed to explode and only superficial damage was caused by the one that did, as unseasonably damp conditions negated the fire danger.

42 per cent kick in the extract

Vanilla flavoring strong in alcohol

Otto Richter to be tried Monday for selling the stuff denies the charge

The trial of Otto Richter charged with selling intoxicating liquor has been set for Monday before Justice Joehnk. Richter who He said he resents persons "trying to make us look like pollutors."

The bill in question, SB 687, was approved by the committee.

It would create an Oregon coastal conservation and development commission consisting of 26 members to study coastal natural resources.

Strict regulations urged for CB Estuary

Restoration of local waterfront 'needed'

SALEM (UPI) — A U.S. Interior Department study of Coos Bay, released today, recommends a long-range program of cleaning the bay's waters and keeping them clean.

But it will require close coordination among all levels of government, the report said, and will require some strict regulations on uses of the bay.

Responsibility for protecting the renewability of the estuarine area should be a "firstline responsibility for all government officials



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dents and the new count 8,627.

The new census was made March 22 through March 25 by the Portland State University Center for Population Research and Census.

The city administrator said North Bend will gain \$21 per capita in-lieu taxes for every new person counted. Total gain for the city by having the new census is \$1,554 during the year in gas, liquor and cigarette tax refunds, all paid to cities on the basis of population.

Earlier in the year the city of Eastside conducted its own count and gained 136 people over the federal census count.

Isadore said 26 other cities in Oregon are conducting their own census because they believe the federal count to be short, and that new figures will qualify the state for another seat in Congress.

20 YEARS - 2001

Coos County scrambles for solutions to Beaver Hill

Paying too much for trash: Officials talk about implications if disposal site closes, effects on businesses and possible revenues

Three veteran commissioners weighed in on Coos County's garbage predicament on Thursday.

The former commissioners met with the current board to identify new ways to generate revenue using the county's Solid Waste Beaver Hill Disposal Site.

The meeting was called after Coos Bay City Manager Bill Grile announced the city could reduce its garbage prices by \$2.25 per can if all the city's trash were shipped to a landfill outside of Coos County rather than to the Beaver Hill facility.

Grile said some of the city's construction waste is already being trucked to the Coffin Butte landfill north of Corvallis by Les' Sanitary Service for \$48 per ton. According to Grile, Coffin Butte can offer reduced rated due to the size of the facility.

The Beaver Hill site charges \$72.60 for every ton of garbage.

Commissioners Pete DeMain, John Griffith and Nikki Whitty and former commissioners Gordon Ross, Jack Beebe and Bev Owen attended the meeting along with Beaver Hill manager Steve Allen. No citizens attended the work session.

The commissioners said shipping all of Coos County's residents' garbage to a landfill outside the county could put the Beaver Hill facility out of business and lead to costly closure fees and the loss of county jobs. Such

What will redistricting mean for the South Coast?

They shop at the same businesses, live in the same neighborhoods and drive the same roads.

So, what sets Glasgow, Charleston and Eastside residents apart from the rest of the Bay Area?

Representation.

The three communities form the epicenter of a debate on how to redraw the lines that break the South Coast's two legislative districts. While House District 47 encompasses most of the Bay Area north to Florence, District 48 runs form the Oregon-California border, through Curry County and around a peanut-shaped segment of the Bay Area.

As the Oregon Legislature prepares to redraw the legislative and congressional districts' boundaries, many attending a Senate and House redistricting committee hearing in Coos Bay on Friday said now is the opportunity to include the communities into House District 47.

"We share the same hospital, the same airport, the same port, shipping channel, rail bridge, the same ESD, college and we should be represented by the same state representative," said Glasgow resident Jan Willis, who works for the city of North Bend.

It's about keeping communities of interest together. It's only logical, advocates said. It's also easier to understand.

Coos County Clerk Terri Turi said the election process has been made more difficult because of the quirky break. During the 2000 general election, Turi said the Elections Office received numerous phone calls from residents in Glasgow, Charleston and Eastside who believed they received the wrong ballots because they couldn't vote for a candidate in the District 47 race.

The residents were sent the correct ballots, but many didn't understand they are part of District 48.

These stories were found in the Marshfield Sun Printing Museum newspaper repository stored in Marshfield High School courtesy of Coos Bay Schools.



Bandon's cross country teams pose after the boys and girls swept the recent district meet near Rogue River.

Photos by Tom Hutton

Tigers, Bobcats to race at state

THE WORLD

For the first time since 2005, Myrtle Point will have both its boys and girls cross country teams in the state championships this weekend.

The Class 3A-2A-1A Spring State Championships will be held Saturday at Cheadle Lake Park near Lebanon.

In all, 82 teams will be represented, including the Bandon boys and girls who won the district championships last week at Valley of the Rogue State Park.

The Class 3A boys will race at 11:30 a.m., followed by the Class 3A-2A-1A girls at 12:30 p.m. and the Class 2A-1A boys at 1:30 p.m.

Since the meet is at a public park, spectators will be allowed and there will not be an admission fee.

While Myrtle Point hasn't had both teams at state for more than 15 years (the girls placed second the last time it happened), Bandon routinely has both gotten its teams to state and seen them capture trophies. The same could be



Myrtle Point's boys and girls coached by Karl Smith, left, both advanced to the state meet.

noon

led by Damian Avalos, who ranks seventh, and Ansen Converse, who ranks ninth.

Myrtle Point is led by Aidan Lilienthal, who ranks 15th.

Bandon's Holly Hutton ranks fourth among girls in the Class 3A-2A-1A division and teammate Dani McLain and Myrtle Point's Sarah Nicholson also rank in the top 16. Pacific's Hunter Jordan made it into the meet as an individual.

While Bandon's boys and girls are pursuing titles in their state meet. Siuslaw is after the team titles in the Class 4A state meet, which will be hosted by Marist Catholic in Eugene on Saturday.

The Vikings and Marist Catholic advanced to the

Friday, April 9 High School Football

Grants Pass at North Bend, 7 p.m.; Coquille at Creswell, 7 p.m.; Sutherlin at Siuslaw, 7 p.m. **College Baseball —** SWOCC

at Lane (2), 1 p.m. College Softball — Clackamas

College Volleyball — Mount Hood at SWOCC, 6 p.m.

Saturday, April 10 High School Football – Class

4A third-place game, Marshfield

vs. Gladstone at Cottage Grove,

12:30 p.m.; Reedsport at Ban-

High School Cross Country

Bandon and Myrtle Point at

Class 3A-2A-1A state champion-

ships, Lebanon, 11:30 a.m.; Siu-slaw at Class 4A state champion-

College Softball – Clackamas at SWOCC (2), noon.

SWOCC at Lane, noon. Women's College Basketball

- SWOCC at Mount Hood, 1:30

Men's College Basketball -

-Lane at

SWOCC at Mount Hood, 4 p.m.

Sunday, April 11 College Baseball –Lar

Monday, April 12

High School Baseball – Myr-tle Point at Coquille, 4:30 p.m.

High School Boys Golf

North Bend, Marshfield at Cross-ings Invitational, 10 a.m.

High School Girls Golf -

North Bend at Crossings Invita-

SWOCC (2), 1 p.m.

College Women's Soccer

ships, Eugene. 11:15 a.m.

at SWOCC (2), 3 p.m.

don, 7 p.m

Class 4A and the smaller schools were quick to begin organizing state meets when the Oregon School Activities Association announced it would not be sponsoring state championships and playoffs for the first season of out there. We are in a good the year.

Traditionally, all the

Stayton knocks **Marshfield** out of soccer showcase

THE WORLD

Marshfield's boys had a short stay in the Class 4A soccer showcase when top-seeded Stayton beat the Pirates 5-1 on Tuesday.

"We came out flat and Stayton came out fast," Marshfield coach Drew Jones said.

The Eagles scored their first goal in the sixth minute and added another a minute later.

Stayton added a third goal in the 26th minute and the fourth in the first minute of the second half.

"We finally found a little offense and drew a penalty in the 56th minute," Jones said.

Jose Yanez-Torres was tripped up in the penalty box and converted the penalty kick

Stayton added one more goal for the final margin. "They were good, phys-

ical, fast and executed very well," Jones said.

The Pirates were chosen as the No. 8 seed for the playoffs after having just one loss and tie in Sky-Em League play.

"I'm very pleased," Jones said, adding "7-1-1 is an exceptional record.

"We were able to win matches convincingly, and while we will miss our two seniors, we will be down only two players in the fall."

The season began long after it would in a regular year, but Marshfield practiced through the summer and fall and played a series of matches with North Bend to stay sharp for the actual season.

Now Jones is looking forward to a regular season in the fall of 2021.

'The spring season puts us in a great position going into next fall," he said. "We just need to keep working.

"The junior class has stepped up and taken on the leadership we need and we had our sophomore and freshman class really contribute spot."

NORTH BEND 1, CRE-

penalty kick by Drew Phillips in the second half.

"Drew had probably his best game of the season," North Bend coach Dustin Hood said. "Davlen Brown has been a rock for us all season as our defensive anchor — I'm really pleased with him holding down that position."

The Bulldogs finished the season 5-5.

"In some ways, it has been a tough season with the starts and stops we have gone through since we started knocking the ball around in June," Hood said. "The guys have been good, though, and we're grateful for the opportunity to play.

"I'm glad the seniors were able to compete in games during their senior years, even if it looked different than past seasons.

"We had a lot of guys step up — from the top to the bottom of the lineup — as we dealt with injuries and other issues. I am proud of the way the team fought hard and competed until the last whistle in every contest."

GIRLS

NORTH BEND 1, NORTH VALLEY 0: The Bulldogs finished their season with a win as Brooklyn Garrigus scored the only goal in the game.

"It was a great season with everything considered," North Bend coach Tony Picatti said. "The girls played a very competitive schedule and they definitely improved.

"We lose a lot of experience for next year but we have a good group to build the future with. We will have a solid group of seniors and juniors that hopefully fill the shoes of the seniors they are replacing."

North Bend finished the year with a 7-2-1 record.

"I think the girls showed a lot of commitment this year," Picatti said. "They definitely had to endure the unknown if a season was even going to happen.

"We are very grateful

the case Saturday.

Bandon has six runners among the top 24 boys in the Class 2A-1A meet, based on times through the season,

Spring sports set to start Monday

THE WORLD

While the season for traditional fall sports comes to an end this weekend, the so-called Season 3, which includes the traditional spring sports starts Monday.

The final fall contests include Marshfield playing in the Class 4A third-place game for football at 12:30 p.m. Saturday at Cottage Grove High School. The game will be broadcast live as one of the featured games of the week for the Oregon School Activities Association and also available on the radio on KMHS (105.1 FM).

Bandon hosts Reedsport Saturday night at 7 p.m. in the final contest of the fall season on the South Coast. Spring sports kick off right

away during the first week of the six-week season when Coquille hosts Myrtle Point in Baseball Monday and several South Coast schools compete in the Crossings Invitational golf tournament at Bandon Crossings.

And on Tuesday, Marshfield hosts Elmira in both baseball and softball and Myrtle Point visits Coquille for softball.

The other traditional spring sports are tennis and track and field.

North Bend's tennis teams are slated to open the season at home next weekend against St. Mary's

meet from the Sky-Em League. The girls will start at 11:15 a.m., followed by the boys at

different classifications meet for the state championships in one long day with 11 races at Lane Community College in Eugene.

Tuesday, April 13 High School Baseball — Elmi-

Wednesday, April 14

College Volleyball – Rogue at SWOCC, 6 p.m.

Thursday, April 15 High School Baseball – Ban-

don at North Bend JV, 5 p.m.;

Gold Beach at Myrtle Point, 4:30

High School Softball - Ban-

don at North Bend, 5 p.m.; Gold

Beach at Myrtle Point, 4:30 p.m.

Friday, April 16 High School Baseball

Creswell at North Bend, 2 p.m.;

Marshfield at Junction City (2), 3

p.m.; Reedsport at Coquille, 4:30

Marshfield at Junction City (2), 3

p.m.; Reedsport at Coquille, 4:30

College Softball - Chemeketa

at SWOCC (2), 3 p.m. College Volleyball — SWOCC

Saturday, April 17 High School Baseball – Co-

High School Girls Tennis -

High School Boys Tennis -

College Softball — Chemeketa

St. Mary's at North Bend, 2 p.m.

at SWOCC (2), noon

quille at Gold Beach (2), noon.

St. Marv's at North Bend, noon,

High

at Rogue, 6 p.m

p.m

School Softball

ra at Marshfield, 5 p.m. High School Softball - Elmira at Marshfield, 5 p.m.; Myrtle Point

at Coquille, 4:30 p.m

Local Schedule

tional, 10 a.m.

SWELL 0: The Bulldogs finished their season on a winning note Monday, beating visiting Creswell on a

for the school and athletic department that made the season possible. We look forward to a more normal season in the upcoming fall."

Former Tigers stand outs in college track meets at Eugene

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A pair of former Bandon runners had big marks at the Hayward Premier track and field meet, which christened the remodeled University of Oregon track complex.

Sailor Hutton, who runs for Boise State University, knocked 45 seconds off her personal best, placing 15th in the invitational 5,000 meters with her time of 16 minutes and 30.25 seconds.

Hutton recently also ran in her first NCAA cross country meet for the Broncos.

Josh Snyder, meanwhile, broke Portland State University's 39-year-old school record in the 3,000-meter steeplechase, finishing ninth in 9:07.69. The previous record of 9:09.54 by Ben Plumb in 1982.

Snyder also improved his previous best by 45 seconds, and his time would have won three of the past six Big Sky championships, which could bode well for later in the season.

Meanwhile, Hunter Hutton, Sailor's twin brother, competing in the Northwest Distance Jamboree at Lane Community College, nearly met the NCAA Division II provisional standard for the 1,500 meters when he finished in a personal best 3:51.06.

Hunter came in fourth in the race and was the top finisher who was not part of a Division I school or a post-collegian. It is the 18thbest mark in Division II this year.

North Bend graduate Chelsea Howard, competing for Oregon State University, was eighth in the long jump with a leap of 17 feet, $6\frac{1}{4}$ inches, and also placed ninth in the 100 meters in 12.55 seconds.

Red Devils sweep Tigers in volleyball

Coquille's volleyball team swept visiting Bandon Tuesday in a sunny match on the Red Devils' makeshift court on a tennis court in the city park.

The Red Devils won 25-13, 25-15, 25-18 during a match that also included recognizing the seniors for both teams - Drew Wilson, Ellie Ekelund and Emily Cortez for Coquille and Baylee George, Bella Erenfeld and Kennedy Turner for the Tigers.

"We enjoyed the sunshine and there was little wind, which is always nice outdoors," Coquille coach Suzanne Grami said.

Wilson had 10 assists, two kills and a block and Ekelund had 16 digs and kill and an ace for Coquille. Hailey Combie added six kills, four digs and two stuff blocks; Gabby McCrorey had four kills and an ace; and Jessica Gisholt had four aces and four digs.





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Republicans outline recommendation for spending federal dollars

House Republican Leader Christine Drazan (R-Canby) released the following statement outlining the House Republican recommendation for spending Oregon's portion of the federal American Rescue Plan Act funds.

"After a difficult year for Oregon, it's time to help every corner of the state recover and rebuild. While specific issues related to COVID-19 have their own source of relief funding, the Legislature should use these federal dollars for restoring Oregon's natural environments, job recovery, infrastructure projects and returning Oregon to longterm economic stability. These investments will bring all Oregonians lasting benefits across the state. We must resist creating shortterm spending obligations that will not help us rebuild our state, and that Oregon taxpayers will not be able to sustain once the money is gone."

The following projects are how Oregon can start rebuilding for long-term recovery

• Invest in Oregon's natural environment

o Restart the reforestation tax credits to regrow Oregon forests that burned during the historic 2020 wildfires

o Manage overgrown forests with Oregon's "Good Neighbor" authority to prevent future fires and smoke pollution

o Upgrade Oregon's wildland firefighting equipment

o Continue to transition away from older, outdated diesel engines

• Promote workforce development education opportunities

K-12 education has the benefit of specifically allocated federal dollars to address learning gaps that kids experienced during the pandemic. ARPA funds can help higher education and workforce development opportunities recover in turn with the following investments:

o Local career academies o Workforce development programs at communi-

ty colleges o STEM higher education

career training programs • Jumpstart job recovery

o Regional economic development grants o Restaurant and hospi-

tality industry assistance o Downtown districts assistance

· Invest in critical infrastructure projects

The future of the current Administration's infrastructure package is uncertain. These are some Oregon projects that can launch with ARPA funds to start the recovery now:

o Bypass bridges to reduce congestion

o Critical highway repair and improvements

o Utility infrastructure connections

o Water and sewer systems

o Dam restorations

o Rail and transit systems o Broadband access for

more Oregon communities • Save for the future

These federal funds are an opportunity to build up our flexible reserves so we can prepare for future expenses. This will ensure the state continues to rebuild while the economy slowly recovers, and we can shift the burden off Oregon taxpayers.

"This relief from the federal government is an opportunity to make a lasting difference for our state. It's time to rebuild Oregon," Drazen said.

House streamlines path for emergency shelters

The COVID pandemic, recession and devastating wildfires have worsened Oregon's existing housing crisis over the past year, leaving thousands of Oregonians and their families with few places to turn. House Bill 2006, which passed the Oregon House Monday, will help local communities provide emergency shelter in a time of great need.

'The Oregon Legislature has recognized that our housing crisis is an emergency, and we've taken bold steps to address it," said House Speaker Tina Kotek (D-Portland), the bill's chief sponsor. "Unfortunately, too

many cities and towns still have had difficulty establishing locations for shelters due to complicated red tape. Those delays can cost people their lives, especially in the winter months. This bill will reduce many of these process barriers so we can get people into shelter quicker." On a temporary basis,

House Bill 2006 will give local governments more flexibility in siting emergency shelters to assist unhoused Oregonians. Shelters would still have to comply with applicable building codes, have adequate transportation access, and not pose any identifiable public health or

safety concerns for the people being served.

In 2019, the Oregon Housing and Community Services Department found that 64 percent of the nearly 16,000 people experiencing homelessness in Oregon were living in unsheltered locations, meaning more than 10,000 individuals are estimated to be sleeping outside on any given night.

The agency also calculated a shortfall of 5,800 emergency shelter beds for individuals and families.

Bold action is required to address Oregon's housing crisis, and House Bill 2006 is part of a broader agenda to increase affordable housing, address homelessness, and support homeownership.

Last week, the Oregon House unanimously passed House Bill 5042, which includes \$18 million for low-barrier emergency shelters in Eugene, Salem, Bend, Medford, McMinnville, and Roseburg. These facilities, known as navigation centers, will be open seven days per week to connect homeless individuals and families with health care, housing, and public benefits.

House Bill 2006, which passed 54 to 4, now goes to the Oregon Senate for consideration.

Wyden, Merkley: More than \$10 million heading to Oregon airports for improvements

U.S. Sens. Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley said Monday that more than a dozen airports throughout Oregon will receive about \$10.3 million in federal grants for improvements that include better preparation for winter weather, runway repairs, improved guidance systems, perimeter fencing and more.

"Oregonians living and working in communities large and small need safe and modern airport services for commerce that supports local jobs as well as for quality-of-life," Wyden said. The importance of federal investments in infrastructure like these local airports is especially crucial when Oregon small businesses and families are working hard to weather the economic fallout from this public health crisis."

"Airports play a critical role in keeping our communities connected, and make the shipping and receiving of all kinds of essential goods and products—including vaccines-possible, creating jobs and helping Oregonians stay healthy," said Merkley. "I'm grateful for this funding, which will help us make our airports more efficient

and better prepared when the weather throws us a curveball. I will continue to do all that I can to secure similar investments for infrastructure projects throughout Oregon to support the health, economies, and overall well-being of our communities."

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) funds will be distributed as follows:

• \$450,000 to Florence for Florence Municipal Airport to install weather reporting equipment

• \$330,000 to Baker City for Baker City Municipal to acquire snow removal equipment, seal runway pavement surface/pavement joints

• \$5 million to Jackson County for Rogue Valley International Airport in Medford to improve airport drainage/erosion control, remove taxiwav

• \$950,000 to the Port of Portland for Portland International Airport to reconstruct de-icing containment facility

• \$452,000 to Morrow County for Lexington Airport to install runway vertical/ visual guidance system, seal apron pavement surface/ pavement joints • \$125,000 to the Oregon

Department of Aviation for Chiloquin State Airport to remove obstructions

• \$150,000 to the city of Ontario for Ontario Municipal Airport to update the airport master plan/study

• \$160,000 to the city of Creswell for Hobby Field to install runway vertical/visual guidance system

• \$494,000 to the Oregon Department of Aviation for Cottage Grove State Airport to install perimeter fencing

• \$350,000 to the Oregon Department of Aviation for Siletz Bay State Airport to reconstruct runway lighting, rehabilitate runway

• \$300,000 to the city of Burns for Burns Municipal Airport to update the airport master plan/study

• \$100,000 to the city of Burns for Burns Municipal Airport to reconstruct/rehabilitate apron

• \$90,000 to the Coos County Airport District for Southwest Oregon Regional Airport to conduct airport-related environmental assessment/plan/study

• \$120,000 to the Oregon Department of Aviation for Aurora State Airport to conduct airport-related environ-



Senator Ron Wyden

mental assessment/plan/study • \$578,000 to the Port of

Gold Beach for Gold Beach Municipal Airport to reconstruct the apron

• \$110,000 to the Oregon Department of Aviation for Mulino State Airport for obstructions marking/lighting/ removal

• \$588,000 to the Oregon Department of Aviation for Independence State Airport to install perimeter fencing.



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BEND CITY CODE TITLES 10, 17, AND 18 TO UPDATE TRANSPORTATION-RELATED LAND USE DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS TO COMPLY WITH THE UPDATED TSP

The City of North Bend City Council will hold a remote public hearing on Tuesday, April 13th at 7:00 pm in the City Hall Council Chamber, 835 California Avenue to consider proposed amendments to the City's transportation-related goals, policies, and regulations. Applicable Criteria: Chapter 18.84 NBCC Subject Property: City of North

Bend city limits Based on the initial evidentiary hearing, Planning Commission recommends approval and adoption of the proposed amendments by ordinance as presented and as discussed during the March 22nd, 2021 Planning Commission public hearing. The City Council shall take final action on this matter. Comments and objections may be submitted orally and in writing. You must notify staff of your intent to participate in the meeting no later than 1:00 p.m. on the day of the 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, including how to participate in the meeting, may be obtained by contacting Chelsea Schnabel, City Planner at 541-756-8535 or visiting the City website at the following link: https://www.northbendoregon.us/ pc/- page/planning-commissionmeeting- 60. KayLee Marone City Recorder Published: April 2 and April 9,

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF CURRY DANA LEWIS, Plaintiff, v. ANTHONY AGNEW. NORRIS BODY SHOP, INC, and LYNN BRAGG Defendants. Case No. 20CV46841 SUMMONS **TO: LYNN BRAGG** IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED to appear and defend the complaint filed against you in the above-entitled cause within 30 days from the date of first publication specified herein. If you fail to appear and defend, the Plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the Complaint for Conversion of Chattels. The relief requested in the Complaint for Conversion of Chattels is damages against you in the amount of \$366,000.00. NOTICE TO THE DEFENDANT: READ **THESE PAPERS CAREFULLY!** You may be liable for attorney fees in this case. A judgment for attorney fees can be entered against you should Plaintiff in this case prevail. You must "appear" in this case or the other side will win automatically. To "appear" you must file with the court a legal paper called a "motion" or "answer". The "motion" or "answer" must be given to the court clerk or administrator within 30 days along with the required filing fee. It must be in proper form and have proof of service on the Plaintiff's attorney or, if the Plaintiff do not have an attorney, proof of service upon the Plaintiff. If you have any 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. Date of First Publication is: March 26.2021 Attorney for Plaintiff: Nathan L. Garcia, OSB #103856 Attorney at Law PO Box 2724 Brookings, OR 97415 (541) 247-1332 Nathan@nathangarcialaw.com Published: March 26, April 2, April 9 and April 16, 2021 The World & ONPA (ID:311913)



FRIDAY, APRIL 9, 2021

Choose your battles wisely this year. Keep the peace when dealing with friends and family. Kindness will get you further than criticism. Put more emphasis on personal growth and less on trying to change others. Your happiness is in your hands. Be true to yourself.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

-- Adjust your lifestyle and how you relate to others. Focus on fitness, health and exploring the things that bring you the most joy. Don't share secrets or let anyone take advantage of you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- Don't rely on others. If you want to change, roll up your sleeves and put in the time and effort to make it happen. Keep your plans simple, reasonable and practical. GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- Broaden your horizons. Keep up with technology, trends and how to use your skills to make a profit. Be aware of any limitations or rules that could stand in your way. Work with people you trust.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

-- Do sufficient research. Take the initiative, and don't rely on someone to do things for you. Using force will work against you. Look for an innovative way to use your skills. **LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** --Stop worrying about what others do; concentrate on your abilities. Educational pursuits, personal growth and self-improvement are favored. Think about your

relationships with others.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Remain calm, regardless of what others do or say. Go about your business and make changes that suit your lifestyle and goals. Invest more time and money in acquiring skills and knowledge. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) ---You'll receive false information. Verify what you hear before you spread the word. A joint venture or shared expenses will cause stress. Take measures to counteract anyone trying to push you in the wrong direction. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)

-- Get involved in something you believe in or can do to help others. Sharing information and skills will lead to unexpected rewards. You won't welcome a lifestyle change, but it will be to your advantage in the end. SAGITTARIUS

(Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- Take a moment to consider what's fact and what's fiction. You'll be given mixed messages by people you think you can trust. Look at every angle and bide your time.

CAPRICORN

(Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Look for a unique way to put your skills and ideas to use. Refuse to let anyone discourage you from doing your own thing. A domestic change will pay off. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- Take care of personal business. Refrain from sharing secrets or letting others get involved in your plans. It's best to have everything in place before you go public. Surprise will be your friend. PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- An emotional situation will develop if you aren't up-front regarding your plans. Keep everyone in the loop and deal with issues as they arise, and you will accomplish the most. Play it safe.

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311 Announcements

Bandon Project Graduation Facebook auction launches April 10th - 17th!

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Notice of CCATD Budget

Committee Meeting A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Coos County Area Transportation District, for the fiscal year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 will be held on April 19, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. with a Zoom Meeting. This meeting will be accessible to the public via zoom https://- us02web. <u>zoom.us/j/805477406</u> or Dial: +1 929 205 6099; Meeting ID: 805 477 406. The purpose of this meeting is for the Budget Committee to receive the District's Proposed Budget and the General Manager's Budget Message. Any person may join the Zoom Meeting to observe. Public comments will be accepted at this meeting. A copy of the Proposed Budget may be viewed on or after April 14, 2021 on the Coos County Area Transportation District website at http://www. coostransit.org/about-us/- budgetcommittee/ Published: April 9, 2021 The World & ONPA (ID:313542)

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed and has qualified as the Personal Representative of the Estate of Ralph Asturias. deceased. Douglas County Probate No. 21PB01615. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below. to the Personal Representative at 188 West B Street, Bldg. N, Sprinafield, Oregon 97477, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this 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: March 26, 2021 Valerie Asturias, Personal Representative Kay Hyde-Patton, Attorney for Personal Representative Leahv Cox. LLP 188 W. B Street, Bldg. N Springfield, Oregon 97477 (541) 746-9621 Published: March 26, April 2 and April 9 2021 The World & ONPA (ID:312044)



Bridge

Our friend A.N. Onymous said, "There are no traffic jams when you go the extra mile."

In a bridge deal, a jam that stops you from crossing between your two hands might cost an extra trick.

How does that apply in today's six-spade contract after West leads the club king?

North was a little light for his three-spade raise; he should have settled for four spades. However, maybe this South, who had the reputation of being somewhat cavalier, would have gone the extra two miles, taking a shot at the slam anyway.

South saw 11 top tricks, with potential losers in each red suit. At first glance, declarer thought that he needed the heart finesse to work. But then he spotted another chance -- maybe he could establish a second diamond trick.

South cashed his spade ace, happy to see both opponents follow suit. Then he carefully led the spade eight to dummy's queen, keeping his three so that he could return to the dummy via the spade four later in the play.

Now came a low diamond from the board. If East had played low, declarer would have put in his 10 and been pleasantly surprised to win the trick. However, East put up his queen. Now, though, South won

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS PROBATE DEPARTMENT No. 21PB02623 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS In the Matter of the Estate of Therese J. Greif, Deceased. Notice is hereby given that Nanette T. Ross has been appointed as the personal representative of the above

estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them to the undersigned personal representative in care of the undersigned attorney at: Five Centerpointe Dr. Ste. 240. Lake Oswego, OR 97035, within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice, as stated below, or their claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the above proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative. Dated and first published April 9, 2021

Nanette T. Ross **Personal Representative** Christian M. Oelke, OSB#983127, Scarborough, McNeese, Oelke & Kilkenny, PC Attorney for Personal Representative Five Centerpointe Dr. Ste. 240 Lake Oswego, OR 97035 Published: April 9, April 16 and April 23, 2021 The World & ONPA (ID:313632)

Notice of Budget Committee Meeting

A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the City of Lakeside, Coos County, State of Oregon, on the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, will be held at City Hall, 915 N. Lake Rd., Lakeside, OR 97449. The first meeting will take place on April 13th, 2021 at 4PM. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message. This is a public meeting via zoom or phone where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. An additional, separate meeting of the Budget Committee will be held to take public comment. Any person may appear at the meeting (via zoom or phone) and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee. The meeting for public comment will be on: April 27, 2021 at 4PM. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after April 8th, 2021 at City of Lakeside City Hall, 915 N. Lake Rd., Lakeside, OR 97449 between the hours of 9AM- 5PM closed from 12-1PM for lunch. Published: April 6 and April 9, 2021

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Public Notice and Notice of Public Hearing

Coos County is eligible to apply for a 2021 Community Development Block Grant from Business Oregon. Community **Development Block Grant** funds come from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The grants can be used for public facilities and housing improvements. primarily for persons with low and moderate incomes. Approximately \$12 million will be awarded to Oregon nonmetropolitan cities and counties in 2021. The maximum grant that a city or county can receive for a COVID-19 Small Business Microenterprise Assistance Project is \$500,000. Coos County is preparing an application for a 2021 Community Development Block Grant from Business Oregon for the Coos County Small Business Microenterprise Assistance Grant Program. If awarded, this program will be offered throughout Coos County, partnering with City of Coos Bay, via an intergovernmental agreement, to provide assistance to small businesses/ microenterprises that can meet program requirements. A public hearing will be held by the Coos County Board of Commissioners on April 20, 2021, at 9:30 a.m., at the Owen Building, 201 N. Adams, Coquille, Oregon, The purpose of this hearing is for the Coos County Board of Commissioners to obtain citizen views and to respond to questions and comments about the COVID-19 Emergency Small Business and Microenterprise Assistance, especially the needs

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of low- and moderate- income persons, as well as other needs in the community that might be assisted with a Community Development Block Grant project; and the proposed project. Public Hearing is open to the public, with limited seating to accommodate social distancing practices. Written comments are also welcome and must be received by April 19 2021 at Attn. Bobbi Brooks, Coos County Board of Commissioners, 225 North Adams St., Coquille, Oregon, 97423. Both oral and written comments will be considered by the Coos County Board of Commissioners in deciding whether to apply. The location of the hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities. Please contact Bobbi Brooks at the Office of the Coos County Board of Commissioners at 541-396-7535 if you will need any special accommodations to attend or participate in the meeting. More information about Oregon Community Development Block Grants, the proposed project, and records about the county's past use of Community Development Block Grant funds is available for public review at the Office of Legal Counsel, located behind the office of the Coos county Board of Commissioners in the Owen Building, 225 North Adams St., Coquille, OR 97423 during regular office hours. Advance notice is required. Please call 541-396-7690 to schedule an appointment. If special accommodations are needed, please notify Michelle Wellington, Legal Office Manager, at 541-396-7690 so that appropriate assistance

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can be provided. Permanent involuntary displacement of persons or businesses is not anticipated as a result from the proposed project. If displacement becomes necessary, alternatives will be examined to minimize the displacement and provide required/reasonable benefits to those displaced. Any low- and moderate-income housing that is demolished or converted to another use will be replaced.

Aviso Público y Noticia de Audiencia Pública

El condado de Coos es elegible para solicitar una subvención global de desarrollo comunitario 2021 de Business Oregon. Los fondos de la subvención en bloque para el desarrollo comunitario provienen del Departamento de Vivienda v Desarrollo Urbano de EE. UU. Las subvenciones se pueden utilizar para instalaciones públicas y mejoras de viviendas, principalmente para personas con ingresos bajos y moderados. Aproximadamente \$ 12 millones se otorgarán a ciudades y condados no metropolitanos de Oregon en 2021. La subvención máxima que una ciudad o condado puede recibir para un Proyecto de asistencia a microempresas para pequeñas empresas COVID-19 es de \$ 500,000. El condado de Coos está preparando una solicitud para una subvención global de desarrollo comunitario 2021 de Business Oregon para el Programa de subvenciones de asistencia para microempresas para pequeñas empresas del condado de Coos. Si se otorga. este programa se ofrecerá en

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todo el condado de Coos, en asociación con la ciudad de Coos Bay, a través de un acuerdo intergubernamental, para brindar asistencia a pequeñas empresas / microempresas que puedan cumplir con los requisitos del programa.

La Junta de Comisionados del Condado de Coos llevará a cabo una audiencia pública el 20 de abril de 2021, a las 9:30 a.m., en el Edificio Owen, 201 N. Adams, Coquille, Oregon, El propósito de esta audiencia es que la Junta de Comisionados del Condado de Coos obtenga opiniones de los ciudadanos y responda a preguntas y comentarios sobre la Asistencia de Emergencia para Pequeñas Empresas y Microempresas de COVID-19, especialmente las necesidades de las personas de ingresos bajos y moderados, así como como otras necesidades en la comunidad que podrían ser asistidas con un proyecto de Subsidios Globales de Desarrollo Comunitario; y el proyecto propuesto. La audiencia pública está abierta al público, con asientos limitados para adaptarse a las prácticas de distanciamiento social. Los comentarios escritos también son bienvenidos y deben recibirse antes del 19 de abril de 2021. en Attn: Bobbi Brooks, Coos County Board of Commissioners, 225 North Adams St., Coquille, Oregon, 97423. Los comentarios tanto orales como escritos serán considerados por los Coos. Junta de Comisionados del Condado para decidir si presentar una solicitud. La ubicación de la audiencia es accesible para personas con discapacidades.

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Por favor comuníquese con Bobbi Brooks en la Oficina de la Junta de Comisionados del Condado de Coos al 541-396-7535 si necesita alguna adaptación especial para asistir o participar en la reunión. Más información sobre las Subvenciones en Bloque para el Desarrollo Comunitario de Oregon, el proyecto propuesto y los registros sobre el uso pasado de los fondos de la Subvención en Bloque para el Desarrollo Comunitario por parte del condado están disponibles para revisión pública en la Oficina de Asesoría Legal, ubicada detrás de la oficina de la Junta de Comisionados del condado de Coos en el edificio Owen. 225 North Adams St., Coquille, OR 97423 durante el horario regular de oficina. Se reguiere notificación previa. Llame al 541-396-7690 para programar una cita. Si se necesitan adaptaciones especiales, notifique a Michelle Wellington, Gerente de la Oficina Legal, al 541-396-7690 para que se pueda brindar la asistencia adecuada. No se prevé el desplazamiento involuntario permanente de personas o empresas como resultado del provecto propuesto. Si el desplazamiento se vuelve necesario, se examinarán alternativas para minimizar el desplazamiento y proporcionar los beneficios requeridos / razonables a los desplazados. Se reemplazará cualquier vivienda de ingresos bajos y moderados que sea demolida o convertida para otro uso. Published; April 9, 2021 The World & ONPA (ID:313626)

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NOTICE OF BUDGET **COMMITTEE MEETING**

A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Port of Bandon, State of Oregon to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. The meeting will take place on April 22, 2021 at 5:00 pm via Zoom. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget. This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed program with the Budget Committee. A copy of the budget may be inspected or obtained on or after April 19. 2021, at The Port of Bandon Office, 390 First St SW, Bandon Oregon, between the hours of 10:00am and 2:00 pm. This notice also appears on www.portofbandon.com. PLEASE NOTE: Persons who desire to provide testimony and are unable to provide written comments in advance or are otherwise unable to access the meeting via Zoom are encouraged to notify the Port of Bandon by calling (541) 347-3206 or email (info@portofbandon. com(link sends e-mail)) 24-hours before the meeting regarding their intent to speak. Any written testimony needs to be sent to the Port of Bandon 24- hours in advance of the meeting to deliver the testimony to Commissioners. Topic: Port of Bandon Budget Committee Meeting and Regular Commission Meeting April 22, 2021 Time: Apr 22, 2021 05:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada) Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/-86821548013(link is external) Meeting ID: 868 2154 8013 One tap mobile +16699006833,,86821548013# US (San Jose) Dial by your location +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma) Meeting ID: 868 2154 8013 Find your local number: https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kcjK9Ds1b9 Published: April 9, 2021 The World & ONPA (ID:313643)

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When can Coquille Point is worth the drive we return

Breathtaking scenery, peaceful moments await visitors

BY DAVID RUPKALVIS The World

Coquille Point is no secret, but it's hidden away in Bandon.

But once you reach it, it is easy to understand why it's been a popular spot for locals and tourists alike for decades.

Standing on top of the cliffs near the parking lot, the Pacific Ocean roars in below you, slamming into a rocks and bringing massive logs with it. Once you make your way down to the sand, Coquille Point comes to life.

While there are likely to be other people around, especially on warm days, one of the first things you will notice is the peace and quiet. The only sounds are the sounds of waves crashing into shore, likely a breeze blowing and birds, lots of birds, flying around.

Birds have made Coquille Point a place to stop and rest and likely breed depending on the season. Hundreds of birds can be seen resting on the large rocks out in the ocean.

Rocks are a part of Coquille Point. While there is plenty of sand and a lot of driftwood, rocks are almost everywhere. Examining them is fun as you see how the ocean has made the rocks smooth, round and glittering with color.

At low tide, Coquille Point comes to life.

You can walk out onto some of the closer rocks, getting a close up look at the arch as waves crash through.

There is also life along the beach and the ocean moves out, leaving tide pools teeming with life available to explore.

I took my family out to Coquille



Coquille Point in Bandon is hidden away behind a local neighborhood, but the scenery and the peace are well worth a visit. Below, During low tide one can get a close look at an arch in the rocks as well as living things in tide pools.

mammals. If you do, enjoy from a distance, but stay away.

Take some time and head to Bandon for a visit to Coquille Point. Bring some friends and bring your dog. There is a lot to explore for everyone.

Of note, getting down to the beach may be a challenge for some. A long stairway leads from the parking area to the beach, but there are resting points and viewing stops along the way.

Trust me, going down is easy. Coming back up can be a challenge. But it is well worth it to be in one of most beautiful places in the world.

To get to Coquille Point from Coos Bay, follow Highway 101 to Bandon.

Drive past the downtown area and turn right where the sign says beaches and state parks. Follow the road through the residential neighborhood and a city park until it ends at Coquille Point.



to normal?

When can we return to normal? The big question weighing on everyone's mind is, "When are we likely to return to a normal life?" A life allowing unrestricted travel, family visits, bars and restaurants at full capacity, and fully open schools with sporting activities? After 16 months of this, are we anywhere near returning to a normal life once again? Unfortunately, we're not

even close and may be slipping away from it once again. Ev-

eryone is desperate to return to normal life. The



Dr. Charles Hurbis

second we perceive the slightest bit of progress against this pandemic, we too soon declare victory and throw caution to the wind. But, so far, each attempt towards normalcy has failed miserably. Subsequently, the virus is once again spreading in places where schools as well as restaurants and bars have re-opened or where mask mandates have been loosened. Consider the state of Michigan, once a hotbed for COVID. Restrictions enforced by the governor rapidly brought the state back into tight control. Political pressure for reopening brought a significant loosening of restrictions which has thrust this state back into the throes of a dramatic fourth wave of infections. The infection rate in Michigan has risen over 500% within the past six weeks. Just contemplate that number for a second, 900 to over 5,000 cases daily in just six weeks. Interestingly, most of these infections are now involving the younger age groups with infections under the age of 19 up well over 200%. Why? According to physicians and disease experts in Michigan, much of the rise can be directly linked to school re-openings, sports and after school events. Additionally, the much more contagious U.K. B.1.1.7 variant is rapidly spreading throughout the state. In the U.S., demographic has changed this time around, with more of the new hospitalizations and deaths in the under 60 age bracket. The spring break activities we all just witnessed are only going to add to this troubling trend. A new variety of tragic stories is just hitting the press. Example: 20 Year Old Who Dreamed of Becoming a Pediatrician Dies of COVID, 'She would have done so much.' With this new batch of infections, we will not just be erasing our past, this time around we will be destroying our future. So, what is required before we can actually start to open up more safely? 1) Currently, only one out of 6 Americans (or 17%) has had any vaccination. The number for fully vaccinated Americans is even less. Before we can assume we will control COVID, that number needs

Point two weeks in a row. During low tide, we explored the tide pools, seeing sea anemones close up and watching them come to life with any movement nearby.

Small fish, snails and even a trapped eel or two can be found if you look close enough.

During high tide, there was still a lot to explore. No matter which way you walk along the beach, there is scenery that is unmatched as far as they eye can see.

As the ocean moves into the sand, pounding the rocks and leaving shells in its wake, it is awe inspiring.

While there is a lot to enjoy, the real joy of Coquille Point is just being there.

The smell of salt in the air, the peace and quiet of being one with nature is a feeling that is hard to escape. It is easy to understand why tourists come from all over the world to visit.

While we didn't see any, there is a chance you may encounter marine





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B2 FRIDAY, APRIL 9, 2021 **The Chamber Minute: Planning for the future**



Over 10 years ago, your chamber began doing its annual planning in a different way. We decided to ask each of our members for their opinion of our direction and operations as a business association.

From your responses, the board defined our focus areas in 2010 to guide the efforts for that year. With survey results over each of the following years, we refined our 2010 work into the current year's strategic objectives. All of the chamber committees

will, once again, be meeting, either

virtually or actually, late spring and summer to promote results in their subject area and refine their focus for the upcoming year. So, with our completed 2021 survey, which each chamber member will find in their email inbox this September, the 2022 goals from each of our committees and the results from this year's committee work in hand, the board of directors will hold its annual planning session in mid November. So why are goals and goal setting important? Let me share a story with you. When I was a kid, my dad brought home a catalog from the Ford dealer. We went through a process, as a family, to pick the color of our new station wagon. After several votes, it ended up two-tone brown. We ordered the car, waited six weeks and were very happy when we got it. The thing I began to notice, however, was it appeared that there were many new two-tone brown Ford station wagons in our area. It seems when our mind focuses on something, we begin to notice it everywhere. When our mind

focuses on a goal, we begin to see ways to get it done.

So, check into that chamber committee that works issues dear to your heart, offer them your ideas and help make their goals happen.

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

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





Contributed photos The work of David George Andersen will be on display at the Coos Art Museum beginning April 16. Among the items in the exhibit will be Maid in China, above, and End of the Road, left.

David George Andersen: Satiric Constructs at Coos Art Museum

From April 16 through June 26, the Coos Art Museum will be featuring David George Andersen: Satiric Constructs a selection of assemblage works by the late Salem artist. Andersen who served as exhibition designer at the Hallie Ford Museum of Art satirizes modern

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life through irreverent and imaginative mixed media constructions.

Anderson used photography combined with found objects to create an artistic commentary on politics, religion and issues of modern life. His works are sometimes humorous and frequently provide thought-provoking perspectives on life, culture and religion.

In addition to his museum work, Anderson taught at the Spokane Art School, the North Idaho College in Coeur d'Alene and the University of Idaho. His works have been featured in numerous exhibitions, including the Bellingham National 2015 Art Exhibition at the Whatcom Museum, COCA Northwest Annual in Seattle, Boise State University, Cheney Cowles Museum and galleries in Salem, Seattle, Helena and Spokane. The Hallie Ford Museum of Art had a retrospective of his work in 2017 and is lending works to this exhibition.

Coos Art Museum has been a cultural focal point of Oregon's scenic Southern Coast since 1966. It occupies an historic 1936 Art Deco U.S. Federal Building in downtown Coos Bay. The museum offers a wide range of art activities including exhibitions, art classes and lectures. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday through Friday and 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday. Museum admission is \$5 general, \$2 students, veterans and seniors and free to museum members.



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to be 70% minimum. We have a long way to go. The vaccine imparts an immunity of between 80-95% depending on which vaccine you receive.

2) People need to be much more conscientious about wearing properly fitted masks (I want to emphasize this again, properly fitted). A loose mask basically equals no mask at all, it's simply a veil, an accessory. I can't even believe I need to make this next comment, a mask has zero benefit if worn under your nose. Recent laboratory experiments have shown that a properly fitted mask, ideally a double mask with one being a surgical style, sealing properly on all four sides will reduce the spread of COVID by over 96.5%.

Masks are still our number one line of defense since they can be of benefit to everyone today, vaccinated or not, and are actually more effective than the vaccine. From personal experience, I spent two weeks with my father in the late stages of this disease (who even then was still testing as COVID positive) in very close quarters with no more protection than a good mask. I did not convert, nor did any of my siblings.

As mentioned, vaccination does not impart complete immunity, the range falling between 79-95% depending on which variety you've received. These are excellent numbers, but they are not 100%. By now, we probably all know of someone who was fully vaccinated but has still become very sick with COVID. That's the nature of immunization. It's not a one size fits all. There will always be outliers who will not develop an adequate level of protection regardless of being immunized. This is why we still need mask mandates, real masks.

With mask benefits obvious, consider how backwards thinking these states are. To date, eight states with previous mask mandates have recently lifted them (Arkansas, Iowa, Mississippi, Montana, North Dakota, Texas, Wyoming and Wisconsin). Now in geographically isolated areas, if you aren't ever going to leave the ranch, and do all your shopping on Amazon, this might be OK. But if I recall, some of these states aren't all rural and might have a few small towns, like say Dallas, where it might still be a pretty good idea if J.R. masks up before heading into his next Ewing oil company meeting to fight with Bobby.

We are all tired of hearing the same things over and over again, but if this virus is not still taken seriously (and it often hasn't been in the past) the spread still has the potential to become much worse. The longer the virus is allowed to propagate, the more variations we will see. Some of these will be much more dangerous. Already in Oregon there has been one reported case of a spontaneous mutation which contains both the U.K. variant B.1.1.7 mutation (50% more contagious and 60% more likely to lead to death), and the E484K mutation or P.1 variant originally seen in Brazil and South Africa. This later mutation additionally makes the COVID virus more contagious by 2.2 times and has a 60% potential for reinfection. Frighteningly, the below 60 age group represents 30% of the deaths with this variant of the infection. It is much more dangerous to the young and healthy.

Clearly, we need to control the pandemic before this variant makes much headway, or we are basically starting over and in a worse spot.

Please act responsibly, wear a properly fitted mask, get vaccinated and still take this pandemic very seriously. And be patient. We need to postpone a victory celebration just a bit longer.

Local students make honor roll at Oregon State University

Dozens of local students made the Scholastic Honor Roll Winter 2021 as announced by Oregon State University.

A total of 8,150 students earned a B-plus (3.5) or better to make the listing.

To be on the Honor Roll, students must carry at least 12 graded hours of course work. Students on the Honor Roll

included:

Coos County Bandon

Mitchell D. Brown, Post Baccalaureate, Computer Science; Layne A. Converse, Sophomore, General Engineering; Katlynn D. Ferreri, Senior, Biology; Hannah F. Washabaugh, Junior, Digital Communication Arts; Eleanor R. Winston, Senior, English.

Broadbent

John H. Isenhart, Junior, Agricultural Business Manageme. Coos Bay

Madelyn R. Arzie, Senior, Bio-Health Sciences; Austin L. Goergen, Senior, Elect & Computer Engineering; Amanda F. Goodpasture, Junior, Human Devel and Family Science; Cody W. Harkins, Senior, Forestry; Phillip A. Hernandez, Senior, Bioengineering; Gannon L. Holland, Senior, Civil Engineering; Clayton S. Kreuscher, Senior, Political Science; Bailee R. McMahon, Senior, Earth Sciences; Jasmine K. Meline, Senior, Kinesiology; Kylie D. Rocha, Sophomore, Biology; Korina X. Shipstad, Senior, Environmental Engineering; Ethan L. Smith, Senior, Sociology; Casey J. Spencer, Senior, Chemical Engineering; Cory M. Stover, Sophomore, Tourism, Rec, & Adventure Lead; Anna K. Waldmann, Junior, Human Devel and Family Science; Tanner B. Wilson, Junior, Horticulture. Coquille



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Charlie M. Yates, Senior, Agricultural Sciences.

Myrtle Point

Rebecca D. Beam, Senior, Animal Sciences; Makenzie M. Larsen, Senior, Human Devel and Family Science.

North Bend

Bailey E. Bennett, Senior, Biology; Alexander J. Cheslock, Senior, BioHealth Sciences; Emma R. Coughlin, Junior, Animal Sciences; Mark D. Deane, Senior, Computer Science; Madeline S. Finnigan, Junior, Biology; Mathew R. Frischman, Senior, Biochemistry & Molecular Biolo; Virginia J. Gonzales, Senior, Design & Innovation Management; Nicole E. Halzel, Junior, Psychology; Zachary A. Hassett, Senior, Business Administration; Noah R. Hyatt, Junior, Digital Communication Arts; Matthew D. Jordan, Sophomore, General Engineering; Blake E. Kelley, Junior, Natural Resources; Amy M. Kronsberg, Senior, Forestry; Graham A. Lyons, Senior, Forest Engineering; Grace O. Mahr, Senior, English; Lucas K. Parvin, Senior, Zoology;

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