

North Bend Police Department honors three for service, introduces newly promoted sergeant



Brett Stark - 1-Year Service Award.

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Chief Ed Perry- 15 Year Service Award

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Sgt. Jerad Jaehnig

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Tasha Hill 10 Year Service Award.

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From the City of North Bend

The North Bend City Council recognized three members of the North Bend Police Department for a combined 35 years of full-time service and welcomed a newly promoted patrol sergeant during a recent meeting. Police Records Specialist Tasha Hill and Officer Brett Stark were each recognized for 10 years of service, while Police Chief Ed Perry was honored for 15 years of full-time service. The Council also recognized Jerad Jaehnig following his promotion to patrol sergeant. Hill has spent the past decade supporting the department's day-to-day operations as a police records specialist. Records personnel perform a wide range of responsibilities that support officers, investigations, public records requests, court proceedings and other administrative

functions necessary to keep the department operating effectively. Stark was recognized for 10 years as a full-time North Bend police officer, though his service to the department began several years earlier. He joined North Bend as a reserve officer in 2012 and became a full-time officer in 2016. During his career, Stark has served as a field training officer and patrol shift supervisor and has received specialized training as a crisis negotiator. Earlier this year, he was selected for the department's restored investigator position, where he is focusing on major criminal investigations and cases requiring additional follow-up. Perry was recognized for 15 years of full-time service with the department. His association with North Bend Police dates back to 2003, when he began serving as a reserve officer. He

became a full-time patrol officer in July 2011. Over the course of his career, Perry has served in a variety of assignments and leadership positions, including reserve officer, reserve sergeant, patrol officer, reserve-program co-coordinator, reserve academy instructor, school resource officer, sergeant and captain. Perry was appointed North Bend police chief earlier this year following the retirement of former Chief Cal Mitts. His appointment also continued a unique family connection to North Bend law enforcement. Perry's great-grandfather, Oliver E. Reeve, served as North Bend's police chief in 1939. The Council also welcomed Jaehnig in his new role as patrol sergeant. Before his promotion, Jaehnig served as a North Bend School Resource Officer, working

closely with students, families and school staff. His work included not only law enforcement responsibilities, but also building relationships with students, participating in school activities and maintaining a visible presence around schools and crosswalks. His promotion represents another step in the department's effort to develop supervisors and future leaders from within its own ranks. The four ceremonial recognitions highlighted the variety of roles required to operate a municipal police department, from records and investigations to patrol, community outreach and departmental leadership. Together, Hill, Stark and Perry represent 35 years of full-time service to the City of North Bend, in addition to the years Stark and Perry previously served as reserve officers.

Reedsport



Reedsport Mayor Linda McCollum

Reedsport Mayor McCollum wins Mayor Leadership Award for 2026

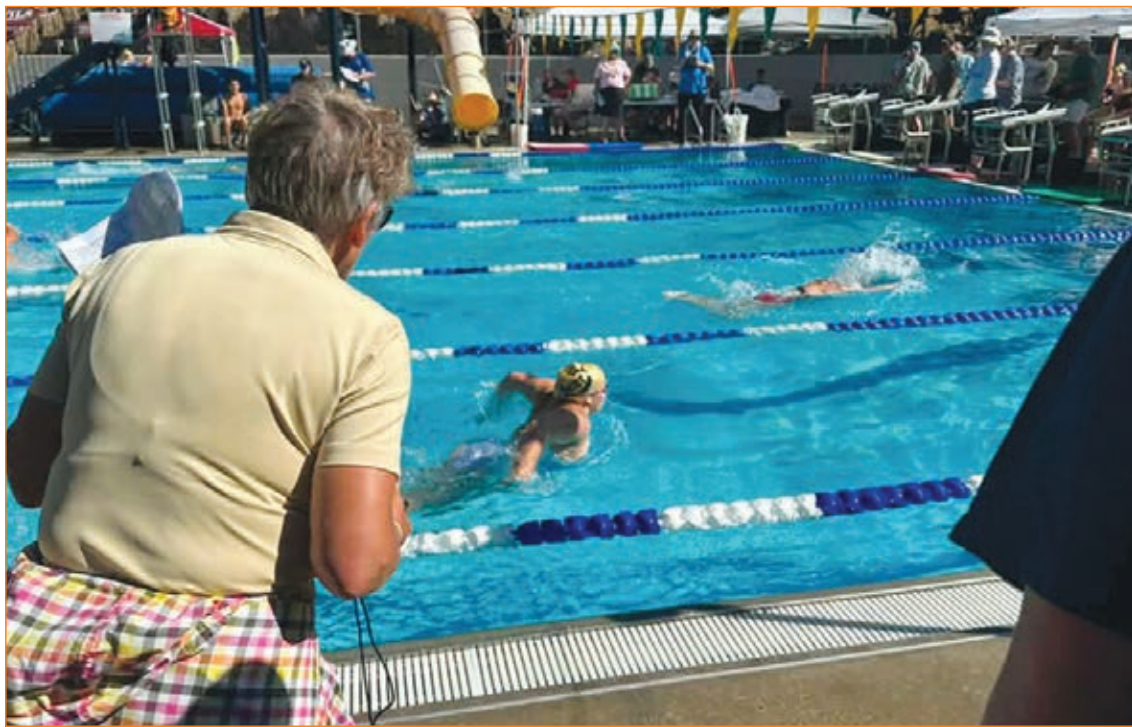
By NATE SCHWARTZ
Editor

Reedsport Mayor Linda McCollum was one of four honorees at the Oregon Mayors Association (OMA) Summer Conference over the August 6 weekend. OMA the Mayors Leadership Award is granted to the outstanding candidate for a small, medium and large city, with a fourth Merit Leadership Award. According to the OMA, the award winners are nominated before being chosen according to certain criteria. "The Mayors Leadership Award recognizes the invaluable contributions made by Oregon mayors in their communities. Mayors who receive these awards generally show considerable involvement in community affairs and intergovernmental relations; demonstrate exceptional skill in helping to facilitate productive relationships between their city council and city employees; and help other Oregon mayors reach their full potential as community leaders," stated the OMA. McCollum would win the small city award after being nominated by fellow civil servants at city hall, with City Manager Deanna Schafer and Rhonda Bryan leading the charge for their Mayor's recognition. Having first been voted into the position in 2015, McCollum will be leaving on top having announced that this would be her last year leading the city. The nomination and award mention that same track record of development for Reedsport. McCollum has spearheaded many of the city's major initiatives over the last decade. As mentioned, this includes the Reedsport levee project and downtown revitalization through the Main Street Program. "Mayor McCollum has issued more than 60 proclamations, presented 19 Good Friends and Neighbors Awards, and presided over more than 150 city council meetings. Colleagues and community leaders consistently praise her ability to unite diverse groups, lead with empathy, and leave a lasting positive impact on the city of Reedsport and its residents," stated the OMA on her award

Gold Coast Swim Team hosts largest Big Kahuna Swim Meet yet

For the World

On August 7, 8, and 9 this year, Gold Coast Swim Team hosted their annual Big Kahuna swim meet. This year, over 300 swimmers were registered to swim. Visiting teams included Albany Aquatics, Cascadia Swimming of Portland area, Central Coast Swim Club of Reedsport, Columbia River Swim Team of Vancouver, Eugene City Swim Club of Eugene, Hi-Desert Swim Team of Burns, Killer Whales Swim Club of Longview, Klamath Basin Aquatics of Klamath Falls, River Road Swim Team of Eugene, Roseburg Y Swim Team, South Coast Aquatic Team of North Bend, Superior Aquatics of Medford, and Streamline Swimming of Club Northwest in Grants Pass.



Fourteen teams from throughout Oregon and Southwestern Washington, and over 300 swimmers dove into Mingus Park Pool over the past weekend.

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Chamber Minute

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

One of the greatest investments a Chamber can make is investing in its own leadership.

Last week, I had the opportunity to attend the Western Association of Chamber Executives (WACE) Academy in San Francisco as I continue working toward my Chamber Executive Certification, which I am on track to complete this February.

Over several days of training, we explored topics including strategic planning, ethics, governance, economic development, workforce, business retention, and how Chambers can play a more meaningful role in strengthening their local



economies. One message was clear throughout every session: successful Chambers don’t wait for opportunities to come to them. They build strong partnerships, listen to their business community, use data to guide decisions, and help create the conditions where businesses can thrive.

I came home with pages of ideas, practical tools, and new relationships with Chamber professionals

from across the western United States. Many of those ideas align with initiatives already underway here in Oregon’s Bay Area, including our Business Readiness efforts, workforce partnerships, advocacy work, and strategic planning for the future.

Professional development like this isn’t just about earning a certification. It’s about bringing home new ideas, new perspectives, and proven practices that strengthen the services we provide to our members and our communities.

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to represent the Bay Area Chamber and continue learning how we can better serve the businesses that make our region stronger.

As always, our business is helping your business.



Holy Cow! History

The hero nobody believed

By J. MARK POWELL
InsideSources.com

The U-boat skipper peered through his periscope and smiled. It looked like such an easy target. And indeed, it was. Yet going after it sealed his doom while also setting in motion a series of events that made another man a hero and triggered official denial of his valor.

And it all happened right in America’s backyard.

Hans-Günther Kuhlmann, 28, commanded U-166, a brand-new submarine in service for barely six months, sent to fight Nazi Germany’s newest enemy, the United States. It prowled the Gulf of Mexico just a few miles off the coast. It was a fertile hunting ground. In the last two weeks, U-166 had sent three American cargo ships to the bottom. Now, on the night of July 30, 1942, Kuhlmann was going after the biggest prize yet.

The SS Robert E. Lee was a steam passenger ship that carried wartime cargo. It had left Trinidad bound for Tampa, Fla. The threat of U-boats lurking nearby had diverted it to New Orleans.

At 10:37 p.m., Kuhlmann gave the order: “Fire!” Lookouts on the Lee spotted the torpedo speeding their way. But there was no time to take evasive action. Within 15 minutes, the Robert E. Lee was another maritime casualty. All but 25 of its 407 passengers and crew were rescued.

Then U-166’s getaway was foiled because Kuhlmann didn’t know the Lee had a secret ace up its



had failed.

Even worse came two days after the Lee’s sinking. A Coast Guard plane spotted and attacked a U-boat. It was credited with destroying U-166. (In fact, it had only damaged it.)

With that, the Navy closed the book on the incident.

Claudius served with distinction for the rest of the war and afterward. Yet the stain of the incident followed him wherever he went. The men of PC-566 adamantly insisted they had sunk a sub that night; Claudius believed so, too, right up until he died in 1981.

Then, 15 years later, new technology changed everything.

While making an underwater survey of the Gulf floor for an oil company in 1986, oceanographers discovered what appeared to be two wrecks. The first was soon confirmed to be the Robert E. Lee. It took a few more years, but in 2001, the remains of U-166 were positively identified just over a mile away.

In December 2014, Secretary of the Navy Ray Mabus presented Herbert Claudius Jr. with the Legion of Merit, posthumously awarded to his father.

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Letter to the Editor

Activate America

At a time when civic participation feels more important than ever, we each have a role to play in strengthening our democracy. Voting is one of the most direct and powerful ways individuals can make their voices heard, yet many eligible voters remain disengaged or unsure how to participate.

If you are wondering how to make a tangible difference in getting Democrats elected to office, I encourage you to look into Activate America.

Activate America (<https://www.activateamerica.vote/>) is a dedicated organization that empowers volunteers to reach out directly to voters in crucial swing states and districts, encouraging them to vote for Democratic candidates that put people first.

Activate America empowers volunteers to reach out to voters through postcards, texts, and phone calls. These personal reminders can make a real difference in increasing voter turnout.

You do not need to be a seasoned political operative to participate. They provide all the necessary training, scripts, and mailing lists on their website.

By volunteering with Activate America, you

can help elect Democratic leaders who will fight for health care, climate action, reproductive freedom, and a fair economy.

You don’t need special experience, just a willingness to connect with others and support civic engagement. By encouraging friends, family, and strangers to vote, we can help ensure that more voices are included in the decisions that shape our communities.

Democracy works best when participation is broad and inclusive. Let’s do our part to make that happen.

Ron Sadler
Coos Bay

Oregon statutes state: “Every person has a right to inspect any public record of a public body in this state . . .”

Twice in past couple of months, Bandon’s mayor Mary Schamehorn has called me out personally in her “As I See It” column. Each time, she felt the need to respond publicly to the fact that I filed public record requests with the city.

In her June 12 column she said that she had a “smoking gun” about me, and complained about having to go through “108,500 emails” to respond. She also said she would publicly share information about

my “team.” She went on to try to put a spin on some of the documents that she was given 6 weeks before they were sent to me.

In her August 5th column, she stated “And if councilor Madeline Seymour and I talked at length about city business, it was over the phone ... or over dinner. And sorry, Dan, you weren’t invited!” Huh?

Here’s the thing. I am a private citizen exercising a right we all have. It seems wrong that an elected official would use her local column to even discuss the issue, much less throw a hissy fit over the request.

As to her complaint about having to go through 100,000 plus emails, every city councilor save 2 has an official city email address. Mayor Schamehorn and Councilor Seymour use their private emails for city business. You reap what you sow Mayor. The response could have been simple: “search, copy and send.”

As to text messages, the Mayor the city council “Because my phone is old, I keep very few text messages, and am not sure how to send those that I do have short of trying to print them.” Under Oregon law,

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The police blotter is a public record of incidents as reported by law-enforcement agencies. All individuals arrested or charged with a crime are innocent until proven guilty. The information printed is preliminary and subject to change.

- **Coos Bay**
- **August 6**
- 8:56 am, Thompson Rd, disturbance.
- 9:51 am, Ocean Blvd, criminal trespass.
- 10:30 am, Ackerman Ave, arrest.
- 12:04 pm, S 11th St, burglary.
- 12:42 pm, Newmark Ave, criminal trespass.
- 12:55 pm, S 2nd and Curtis, accident.
- 2:19 pm, Country Club Rd, warrant service.
- 2:43 pm, Empire Boat Ramp, disturbance.
- 3:34 pm, Ocean Blvd, accident.
- 4:31 pm, SE Ocean Blvd, elderly abuse.
- 5:20 pm, S 1st St, shoplifting.
- 7:22 pm, Newmark Ave, harassment.
- 9:15 pm, Newmark and Norman, shots fired.
- 9:52 pm, S 7th St, criminal trespass.
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- **August 7**
- 6:07 am, Newmark Ave, warrant service.
- 7:05 am, S Empire Blvd, disorderly conduct.
- 8:51 am, S 1st St, criminal trespass.
- 9:04 am, E 2nd St, warrant service.
- 10:19 am, S 1st St Ter, criminal trespass.
- 11:19 am, N Bayshore Dr, accident.
- 12:13 pm, Ocean Blvd and Park, shots fired.
- 12:28 pm, Central Ave, warrant service.
- 1:10 pm, Newmark Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 1:15 pm, Thomas Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 2:12 pm, W Ingersoll Ave, criminal trespass.
- 3:02 pm, S Curtis and Broadway, disorderly conduct.
- 5:37 pm, B St, accident.
- 5:41 pm, Anderson Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 5:51 pm, California Ave, violation of restraining order.

- 6:21 pm, Newmark Ave, shots fired.
- 7:21 pm, Ellensberg Rd, warrant service.
- 9:32 pm, N Wasson St, non-injury accident.
- 9:33 pm, Broadway and Elrod, accident.
- 10:03 pm, Portland Rd, warrant service.
- 10:37 pm, Dead End Of Fulton Off S Empire, warrant service.
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- **August 8**
- 7:26 am, N Cammann St, criminal trespass.
- 9:27 am, N 10th St and W Commercial Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 10:39 am, Elk Dr, warrant service.
- 11:02 am, Ackerman Ave, dispute.
- 11:56 am, N Bayshore Dr, warrant service.
- 2:02 pm, Maryland Ave, theft of mail.
- 2:03 pm, Newmark St, warrant service.
- 4:02 pm, 4th and Anderson, warrant service.
- 4:05 pm, N 10th St and W Commercial Ave, hit and run.
- 5:17 pm, Ackerman, warrant service.
- 5:53 pm, N Bayshore Dr, accident.
- 7:00 pm, N Cammann St, theft.
- 7:34 pm, Ocean Blvd, criminal trespass.
- 9:35 pm, Augustine, violation of restraining order.
- 10:41 pm, Thompson Rd, disorderly conduct.
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- **August 9**
- 12:00 am, Neese St and Flanagan Ave, dispute.
- 9:26 am, S 1st St, criminal trespass.
- 9:54 am, W End Of Fulton, warrant service.
- 10:09 am, N Bayshore Dr, disorderly conduct.
- 10:37 am, Hemlock and N 10th Ct, warrant service.
- 11:50 am, Schetter and N Empire, criminal trespass.
- 2:38 pm, Hwy 101, warrant service.
- 4:58 pm, Commercial and 8th, warrant service.
- 7:35 pm, Newmark and Laclair, accident.
- 11:22 pm, Thompson Rd, criminal trespass.
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- **August 10**
- 7:23 am, S Broadway St, criminal trespass.
- 7:41 am, Noble and S Empire, warrant service.
- 9:06 am, Empire Lakes John Topits Park, criminal trespass.
- 10:20 am, Newmark Ave, accident.
- 10:34 am, Ocean Blvd, ID theft.
- 10:38 am, S Empire Blvd, dispute.
- 12:15 pm, Anderson Ave, criminal trespass.
- 12:17 pm, Holland Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 1:47 pm, N Cammann St, assault.
- 1:52 pm, Newmark Ave, criminal mischief.
- 2:09 pm, Leaf Ter, threats.
- 3:22 pm, Bennett St, criminal trespass.
- 3:31 pm, Thompson Rd, criminal trespass.
- 6:29 pm, Holland Ave, dispute.
- 6:56 pm, S Broadway, criminal mischief.
- 9:47 pm, 4th St, warrant service.
- 10:57 pm, Idaho Ave, harassment, phone.
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- **August 11**
- 7:31 am, S Schoneman St, warrant service.
- 8:03 am, S 1st St, theft.
- 8:47 am, E Hall Ave, arrest.
- 9:56 am, 6th and Bennett, criminal trespass.
- 11:49 am, Newmark Ave, accident.
- 11:49 am, Newmark Ave, non-injury accident.
- 12:21 pm, Johnson Ave, hit and run.
- 1:01 pm, S Broadway St, non-injury accident.
- 1:03 pm, Lakewood Ln, criminal trespass.
- 1:29 pm, N Cammann St, burglary.
- 1:53 pm, Limnel St, theft.
- 3:09 pm, N 2nd St, criminal mischief.
- 3:24 pm, Newmark Ave, dispute.
- 7:27 pm, N Bayshore Dr, criminal trespass.
- 11:43 pm, 13th and Teakwood, warrant service.
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- **August 12**
- 2:14 am, Oakway Dr, criminal trespass.
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- **Coquille**
- **August 6**
- 11:25 pm, N Dean St, criminal mischief.
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- **August 7**
- 1:42 am, N Birch and 1st, warrant service.
- 12:50 pm, SE 3rd Ave, criminal trespass.
- 11:44 pm, 1st and Central, warrant service.
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- **August 8**
- 6:38 am, N Birch St, disorderly conduct.
- 9:35 am, Hwy 42 and S Cedar Point Rd, accident.
- 10:22 am, S Cedar St, criminal mischief.
- 12:08 pm, N Birch St, criminal trespass.
- 12:39 pm, N Birch St, criminal trespass.
- 8:51 pm, N Birch St, criminal trespass.
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- **August 9**
- 11:06 am, 2nd St and Baxter, juvenile problem.
- 4:18 pm, N Central Blvd, criminal trespass.
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- **August 10**
- 10:43 am, Hwy 42S, disorderly conduct.
- 11:23 am, N Ivy St, unauthorized use of vehicle.
- 7:11 pm, N Birch St, criminal trespass.
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- **August 11**
- 4:22 am, E 1st St, disorderly conduct.
- 5:15 am, Hwy 42, disorderly conduct.
- 7:07 am, W 17th St, harassment.
- 4:40 pm, Hwy 101 and SE Grand Ave, menacing.
- 6:53 pm, N Central Blvd, criminal trespass.
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- August 12
- 12:04 pm, N Baxter St, disorderly conduct.
- 12:54 pm, E 5th St, disorderly conduct.
- 1:13 pm, N Baxter St, disorderly conduct.
- 7:39 pm, E 2nd St, violation of restraining order.
- 10:27 pm, Hwy 42, indecent exposure.
- 11:46 pm, Hwy 42,

- violation of restraining order.
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- **Myrtle Point**
- **August 6**
- 6:09 pm, Roseburg Rd, theft.
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- **August 10**
- 12:26 pm, 4th St, hit and run.
- 4:11 pm, Sitkum Ln, theft.
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- **August 11**
- 8:07 am, Hwy 42, criminal trespass.
- 2:09 pm, Railroad St, criminal trespass.
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- **August 12**
- 9:31 am, 8th St, criminal trespass.
- 10:34 pm, Maryland Ave, criminal mischief.
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- **North Bend**
- **August 6**
- 8:44 am, Marion Ave, threats.
- 9:08 am, Newmark and Liberty, non-injury accident.
- 11:34 am, Waite St and Kinney, indecent exposure.
- 12:05 pm, Connecticut Ave, criminal trespass.
- 1:06 pm, Broadway Ave, dispute.
- 2:02 pm, Virginia Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 2:21 pm, Newmark St, dispute.
- 3:34 pm, Ocean Blvd, accident.
- 4:39 pm, Sheridan Ave, unauthorized use of vehicle.
- 11:28 pm, Virginia Ave, criminal trespass.
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- **August 7**
- 7:57 am, Broadway Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 8:42 am, Sheridan Ave, criminal trespass.
- 9:55 am, Sherman Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 11:21 am, Broadway Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 12:21 pm, Newmark and Broadway, shots fired.
- 12:43 pm, Virginia Ave, criminal trespass.
- 1:10 pm, Florida Ave and Sherman, disorderly conduct.
- 2:40 pm, Newmark and

- Oak, accident.
- 3:20 pm, Virginia Ave, accident.
- 4:24 pm, E 2nd St, warrant service.
- 5:24 pm, Bayview Ave, accident.
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- **August 8**
- 3:30 am, Harbor Ave, warrant service.
- 7:48 am, Broadway Ave, criminal trespass.
- 8:31 am, Harbor Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 10:29 am, Virginia and Sheridan, dispute.
- 12:33 pm, Harbor Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 1:51 pm, Tremont Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 5:06 pm, Tremont Ave, theft.
- 8:39 pm, Vermont Ave, dispute, family.
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- **August 9**
- 4:29 am, 11th St and Broadway Ave, dispute.
- 9:40 am, Meade St, non-injury accident.
- 11:47 am, Brussels St, theft.
- 12:11 pm, 16th St, criminal mischief.
- 1:25 pm, Newmark St, theft.
- 3:18 pm, Sherman and Virginia, dispute.
- 6:33 pm, Bottledrop and Newmark, criminal trespass.
- 6:37 pm, Virginia Ave, dispute.
- 11:15 pm, Virginia Ave, dispute.
- 11:34 pm, Virginia and Broadway, disorderly conduct.
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- **August 10**
- 6:59 am, Harbor Ave, harassment.
- 8:43 am, Mcpherson, disorderly conduct.
- 9:42 am, Inland Dr, elderly abuse.
- 9:55 am, Mcpherson, disorderly conduct.
- 2:19 pm, Harbor Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 2:25 pm, Mcpherson and Virginia, disorderly conduct.
- 4:16 pm, Virginia Ave, dispute.

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Quinn shines in Hogan Cup matches

Bandon senior Sevren Quinn tied for the second best score during the recent 58th Eddie Hogan Cup matches at Riverside Golf & Country Club in Portland.

Quinn had even par rounds of 71 both days of the tournament and was the top player on the Oregon team.

Justin Anderson of Idaho shot 1-under both days and was the top individual scorer. Kim Cole of Southern California and Andy Metzler of Idaho matched Quinn at even par for the two days.

The tournament included four players from 12 different teams. Those squads came from Oregon (two teams), Washington, Idaho, Arizona, Hawaii, Utah, Nevada and California

(Northern California, Southern California and San Diego) as well as British Columbia.

The top Oregon team, which included Quinn, shot a combined 12-over and finished fourth behind Idaho (even par), Southern California (3-over) and Arizona (6-over).

CENTRAL OREGON JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP: Jackson Simonds, who is entering his junior year at Bandon, tied for 10th in the tournament, one of the Oregon Golf Association’s majors for juniors, at Eagle Crest Resort in Redmond.

Competing in the Boys Open division, Simonds had rounds of 74 and 72 to finish 2-over par.

The winner of the tournament, Bryden

Ditty of Bend, shot 9-under for the two days. Cade McVicker of West Linn and Connor Holden of Canby, both players in the Hogan Cup, shot 4-under to tie for second.

KLAMATH BASIN JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP: Simonds tied for 13th in the Open Division at the tournament at Running Y, held just after the Central Oregon Junior Championship.

Simonds had rounds of 75 and 76 to finish 7-over for the two days.

Holden won the tournament at 6-under while Moses Haddad of Lake Oswego, another member of the Oregon teams for the Hogan Cup, finished at 2-under.

Several runs will be held in coming weeks

Road and trail runs in several different areas will be held in the coming weeks.

The Coos Coho Run, an event hosted by the Coos Watershed Association, is Saturday, Aug. 22, at the Millicoma Marsh Trail in the Eastside district of Coos Bay.

The event, dubbed “Race to Restore!” is a fundraiser for improving salmon habitats on the South Coast.

It starts at 9 a.m. and includes both a 5-kilometer run and a 2-kilometer walk on the scenic trail. The entry fee is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children and the first 20 children to sign up race for free.

Online registration can be found at <https://www.eventbrite.com/o/coos-watershed-association-22902873676>.

Check-in and bib pick-up goes from 8 to 9 a.m. and the race starts at 9. An awards ceremony will be held at 11 a.m. and the race is followed by a project to remove invasive species from the trail area from noon to 2 p.m.

For more information and possible schedule/route changes follow Coos Watershed Association on social media, visit www.cooswatershed.org, or contact Alexa Carleton at acarleton@cooswatershed.org or by phone at 541-888-5922, ext. 306.

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

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

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

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

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

POWERS LOGGER’S RUN: The 5-kilometer race is Saturday, Sept. 12 and benefits St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital.

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

For more information, email powersloggerrun@gmail.com or see the Powers Logger’s Run page on Facebook. The Facebook page includes a QR code for registering.

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

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

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

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

Bowling season starts soon at North Bend Lanes

North Bend Lanes is preparing for the upcoming league season.

A variety of leagues are available for bowlers of all ages, including evening and daytime leagues and leagues for junior bowlers.

The league meetings for each league have been scheduled and are a great time to get information about the leagues and ask questions or make suggestions for the league seasons. The league meetings are followed by free bowling.

Evening leagues include:

Jersey League, Mondays at 6:30 p.m. starting Sept. 14, four bowlers per team. League meet-

ing Aug. 31 at 6:30 p.m.

Bay Area Hospital, Tuesdays at 5 p.m. starting Sept. 8, three bowlers per team. League meeting Sept. 1 at 5 p.m.

Cosmo (women), Tuesdays at 7 p.m. starting Sept. 8, four bowlers per team. League meeting Sept. 1 at 7 p.m.

Cash Classic, Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. starting Sept. 9, five bowlers per team. League meeting Sept. 2 at 6:30 p.m.

Men’s Varsity, Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. starting Sept. 10, five bowlers per team. League meeting Sept. 3 at 6:30 p.m.

Timber, Fridays at 6:30 p.m. starting Sept. 11, four bowlers

per team. League meeting Aug. 28 at 6:30 p.m.

Jack’n Jill, Sundays at 5:30 p.m. starting Sept. 13, four bowlers per team. League meeting Aug. 30 at 5:30 p.m.

Daytime leagues include:

Young at Heart Seniors, Mondays at 12:30 p.m. starting Sept. 14, four bowlers per team. League meeting Aug. 31 at 12:30 p.m.

Senior Boomers, Tuesdays at 10 a.m. starting Sept. 8, four bowlers per team. League meeting Sept. 1 at 10 a.m.

Primers Too Seniors, Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m. starting Sept. 9, four bowlers per team. League

meeting Sept. 2 at 12:30 p.m.

Silver Tips Seniors, Fridays at 12:30 p.m. starting Sept. 11, four bowlers per team. League meeting Aug. 28 at 12:30 p.m.

Junior leagues include:

All Star, Mondays at 4 p.m. starting Sept. 21, three bowlers per team. League meeting Sept. 14 at 4 p.m.

Bumper League, Thursdays or Fridays at 4 p.m. starting Sept. 24 or Sept. 25, three bowlers per team, six-week season.

For more information, call North Bend Lanes at 541-756-0571.

Sports practices are under way in Oregon

First contests are next week

Fall practice started this week throughout Oregon for high school students and the first contests come next week.

Teams are preparing for the season in volleyball, football, soccer and cross country.

The first day for contests is Thursday, Aug. 27, except for football, which can have jamborees that day, but no full games until Aug. 28.

Marshfield will host its traditional volleyball jamboree, which includes several other area teams, on Aug. 27 and then heads to Cascade Christian for a tournament on Aug. 29.

North Bend and Coquille both are in Marshfield’s jamboree and then face each other on Aug. 29 in North Bend. Coquille then hosts both Marshfield and Creswell on Sept. 3, with each team playing the other two.

Bandon starts its season Aug. 29 in Glendale at a jamboree and then is at Pacific on Aug. 31 to face both the Pirates and Waldport. Pacific starts the season

with a trip to Mapleton on Aug. 28.

Reedsport and Siuslaw both travel to Elmira on Aug. 29 where they will meet each other and the host Falcons.

Myrtle Point is in Marshfield’s jamboree and then will host Umpqua Valley Christian on Sept. 2.

Among South Coast squads, Powers will get the latest start, with its first volleyball match Sept. 8 at North Douglas.

In football, North Bend opens the season with a nonleague game Aug. 28 at Sutherlin.

Marshfield travels to Cottage Grove for a jamboree on Aug. 28, with the regular-season opener on Sept. 4 against Philomath.

Coquille opens the season on Aug. 28 at Siuslaw in a nonleague game. The Red Devils will host the Vikings in their league finale at the end of October.

Myrtle Point opens the season on Aug. 29 at home against Weston-McEwen.

Powers is on the road the same day for its opener at Alsea.

Bandon is at Monroe for a jamboree on Sept. 28, with its first regular game at home against Waldport on Sept. 4.

Reedsport, which again is playing a Class 1A eight-player schedule this fall, opens the season at home against Glendale on Sept. 4.

In boys soccer, Marshfield hosts a jamboree on Aug. 27 and then opens the season at home Sept. 1 against Phoenix. The Pirates also visit the combined Coquille/Myrtle Point team on Sept. 3.

The Coquille/Myrtle Point squad will be in Springfield for a jamboree on Aug. 28.

North Bend, which this year has players from Bandon, will be part of the jamboree with Marshfield and then will host Eagle Point on Sept. 29.

Pacific, which has a coed team and in the past has included Bandon, opens the season in the jamboree at Springfield with the

Coquille/Myrtle Point squad, and then is off until facing Umpqua Valley Christian on Sept. 17.

In girls soccer, North Bend hosts a jamboree that also includes Marshfield on Aug. 27 and has its official season opener Sept. 3 at Brookings-Harbor.

Marshfield hosts Phoenix on Sept. 1 and visits the combined Coquille/Myrtle Point team on Sept. 3.

The Coquille/Myrtle Point squad will be in the jamboree in Springfield on Aug. 27.

In Cross Country, Marshfield hosts the Millicoma Icebreaker 3-kilometer race on Aug. 27, an event also including Bandon, Coquille, Brookings-Harbor and Days Creek.

The Pirates travel to Tillamook on Sept. 5 for the Ultimook Meet.

Bandon also travels to Umpqua Community College near Roseburg for a meet Aug. 29 that also includes North Bend and eight other schools.

SWOCC soccer teams to compete in NWAC Friendlies

The Southwestern Oregon Community College men’s and women’s soccer teams are in action this week in the NWAC Friendlies at the Starfire Sports Complex in Tukwila, Wash.

For the men, the Lakers face Walla Walla at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 18, and Bellevue at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 19.

The SWOCC women face Pierce at 11 a.m. on Tuesday and Green River at 8 a.m.

on Wednesday.

SWOCC’s men had their first match Friday, when they fell 2-1 to South Puget Sound in a match at Olympia, Wash. SWOCC scored first on a goal by Rafe Hyman, assisted by Christopher Ramirez, in the 21st minute, but South Puget Sound scored later in the first half and again in the second to win the match.

SWOCC also hosts College of the Red-

woods on Aug. 21 before opening league play at Portland on Sept. 4.

The women start the regular season with their first South Region match on Wednesday, Sept. 2, at home against Portland.

SWOCC’s volleyball team opens the season on Saturday, Aug. 22, with a match in Forest Grove against Pacific University’s JV team and also faces both College of the Redwoods and host Shasta on Aug. 29.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS PROBATE DEPARTMENT
In the Matter of the Estate of: Mr. Richard David Hopkins, Decedent. Case No.: 26PB01485 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned personal representative at 477 Bennett Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 97420, (mailing: PO Box 119, Coos Bay, Oregon, 97420) within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative, Stebbins & Company, LLC, 477 Bennett Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 97420. Dated and first published August 4, 2026. Dana Hopkins Personal Representative 8/4, 8/11, & 8/18/2026 World 429448

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS PATRICIA REIFERS, as personal representative of the estate of NINA B. SAUER, Plaintiff, v. The Unknown Heirs and/or Devises of SAM BALLING, and all other persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title, lien or interest in the property described in the amended petition herein. Defendants Case No. 26CV38764 SUMMONS TO: The Unknown Heirs and/or Devises of SAM BALLING, and all other persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title, lien or interest in the property described in the amended petition herein. IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON: You are hereby required to appear and answer the Petition filed against you in the above-entitled cause within thirty (30) days from date of first publication of this Summons, which was August 11, 2026. If you fail to so answer, for want thereof, the Petitioner(s) will apply to the Court for the relief demanded therein. In the present matter Petitioner seeks a judgment quieting title in Petitioner's name to real property with legal description of: Lots Sixteen (16), Seventeen (17) and Eighteen (18), Block Seventy-seven (77), Western Addition to North Bend, Coos County, Oregon, according to the map and plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the County clerk of Coos County, Oregon, (See Coos County Recorder vol 213, page 537, recorded November 7, 1951). NOTICE TO DEFENDANT(S): READ THESE PAPERS CAREFULLY! You must "appear" in this case or the other side will win automatically. To "appear" you must file with the Court a legal document called a "Motion" or "Answer." The "Motion" or "Answer" or "Reply must be given to the Court Clerk or Administrator within 30 days of the date of first publication specified herein along with the required fee. It must be in proper form and have proof of service on the Plaintiff's attorney or, if the Plaintiff does not have an attorney, proof of service on the Plaintiff. If you have any questions, you should see an attorney immediately. If you need help finding an attorney, you may [call] contact the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service [at] online at www.oregonstatebar.org or by calling (503) 684-3763 (in the Portland metropolitan area) or toll-free in elsewhere in Oregon at (800) 452-7636. Dated and first published on August 11, 2026. NATHAN B. MCCLINTOCK, OSB #841520 Attorney for Plaintiff P.O. Box 1178; Coos Bay, OR 97420 Telephone: (541) 269-1123; Fax: (541) 269-1126; Email: nmcclintock@puerto.com 8/11, 8/18, 8/25, 9/1/2026 World 429669

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS PROBATE DEPARTMENT No. 26PB03181 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS In the Matter of the Estate of Marlito Ancheta Romias, Deceased. Notice is hereby given that Michael C Romias 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

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attorney at: 1865 NW 169th PI Ste 202 Beaverton. OR 97006, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, or such claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this estate may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative. Date published August 18, 2026. Michael C Romias Personal Representative Attorney for Personal Representative Meredith L Williamson (OSB# 085922) NW Estate Law, LLC 1865 NW 169th PI Ste 202 Beaverton, OR 97006. 8/18/2026 World 429808

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS ROGUE CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff, vs. LYNDA RAE TIPTON and JOE BUCK HASSETT, heirs at law of Merle E. Hassett and Judith Hassett now deceased; MARYELLEN ADAMS, GABRIELLE ADAMS, LEON ADAMS, SAVANNAH TRISH ADAMS, AMANDALYNN HOUGH, TILLIE HOUGH, GEORGE HOUGH VI and ANY OTHER UNKNOWN HEIRS OF MERLE OR JUDITH HASSETT NOW DECEASED, Defendants. Case No. 26CV23325 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION TO: MaryEllen Adams, Gabrielle Adams, Leon Adams, Savannah Trish Adams, Amandalynn Hough, Tillie Hough, George Hough VI, Any Other Unknown Heirs Of Merle Or Judith Hassett Now Deceased IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON: You are hereby required to appear and defend the complaint filed against you in the above-entitled action within thirty (30) days from the date of service of this summons upon you, and in case of your failure to do so, for want thereof, plaintiff(s) will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint. NOTICE TO THE DEFENDANT: READ THESE PAPERS CAREFULLY! You must "appear" in this case or the other side will win automatically. To "appear" you must file with the court a legal paper called a "motion" or "answer." The "motion" or "answer" must be given to the court clerk or administrator within 30 days along with the required filing fee. It must be in proper form and have proof of service on the plaintiff's attorney or, if the plaintiff does not have an attorney, proof of service upon the plaintiff. You should see an attorney immediately. If you need help in finding an attorney, you may contact the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service online at www.oregonstatebar.org or by calling (503) 684-3763 (in the Portland metropolitan area) or toll-free elsewhere in Oregon at (800) 452-7636. VETERANS AND OTHERS: Veterans (and others) can call 2-1-1 for information and resources including veteran's services and community action agencies. SUMMARY STATEMENT OF COMPLAINT AND DEMAND FOR RELIEF The action against you seeks strict foreclosure to real property located in Coos County, Oregon legally described as: A tract of land in Lot 2 of Section 4, Township 28 South, Range 14 West of the Willamette Meridian, Coos County, Oregon, more particularly described as follows: the South 109 feet of the North 754 feet of that portion of said Lot 2, which lies East of the County Road. Plaintiff seeks entry of an order and decree allowing defendants a period of time specified by the court to possibly redeem the property by paying certain sums, plus other amounts paid by plaintiff for real property taxes, insurance costs, and such sums that plaintiff expended as property preservation costs to prevent waste in an amount to be determined. And, in the event none of the defendants redeem the subject property, for the court to enter an order and decree foreclosing all defendants' right, title and interest in and to the property and declare that plaintiff owns the subject property free and clear of defendants' claims thereto. DATED: August 12, 2026. HORNECKER COWLING LLP By /s/ JOSEPH E. KELLERMAN, OSB No. 921997, Of Attorneys for Plaintiff Dates of publication: August 18, 2026; August 25, 2026; September 1, 2026; September 8, 2026. 8/18, 8/25, 9/1, 9/8/2026 World 429882

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF BALLOT TITLE A ballot title for City of North Bend Resolution No. 3384 was filed with the City

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Elections Officer. Caption: Five-year Local Option Tax for Pool Operations and Maintenance Question: Shall North Bend impose \$0.56 per \$1,000 of assessed value for pool operations and maintenance for five years beginning 2027-2028? This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent. An elector may petition the Coos County Circuit Court for review by August 24, 2026. The complete ballot title is available at northbendoregon.gov or from the City Recorder. 8/18/2026 World 429939

Public Notice Regarding the estate of Beverly K. Hester, deceased. Kristy Lynn Harvey is the legal representative for her estate. Any and All claims must be submitted to Kristy Lynn Harvey at 2689 Everett Ave, North Bend, OR 97459. All persons having claims must present them, within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice, 8/4/2026 to the personal representative, Kristy L Harvey, at 2689 Everett Ave, North Bend or they may be barred. The first notice was published on Tuesday 8/4/2026 in The World Newspaper in Coos County. Any and all persons who rights can be affected by this notice can obtain additional information from the person representative, Kristy L. Harvey, at 2689 Everett, North Bend Oregon 97459. 8/4, 8/11, & 8/18/2026 World 429607

Public Notice Regarding the Transfer on Death Deed for property owned by Beverly K. Hester, deceased. Legal description of the property: Lots 9 through 12, inclusive, Block 4, Woodlawn Addition to the City of North Bend, Oregon. Death Certificate for Beverly Kay Hester was filed with Coos County on 7/30/2026 transferring ownership to Corinna Kay Nixon and Kristy Lynn Harvey as joint tenants. Kristy Lynn Harvey is the legal representative for the estate of Beverly Kay Hester. Any and All claims must be submitted to Kristy Lynn Harvey at 2689 Everett Ave, North Bend, OR 97459. All persons having claims must present them, within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice, 8/4/2026 to the personal representative, Kristy L Harvey, at 2689 Everett Ave, North Bend or they may be barred. The first notice was published on Tuesday 8/4/2026 in The World Newspaper in Coos County. Any and all persons who rights may be affected by this notice can obtain additional information from the person representative, Kristy L. Harvey, at 2689 Everett, North Bend Oregon 97459. 8/4, 8/11, & 8/18/2026 World 429608

PUBLIC NOTICE The Coos County Area Transportation District will conduct a Public Hearing beginning at 9:00 a.m. on August 31, 2026, at South Coast Business at 800 N Bayshore in Coos Bay and via Zoom video conference <https://zoom.us/j/667827645> Or Dial: +1 346 248 7799; Webinar ID: 667 827 645. The purpose of this Hearing is to receive public testimony on the annexation of Curry County. If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Metz, at (541) 267-7111. Written comments may be submitted at any time prior to the hearing by email to info@coostransit.org or by mail to CCATD, 2810 Ocean Blvd., Coos Bay, OR 97420 or attend the meeting and state your views. 8/18/2026 World 429661

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

PURSUANT TO ORS CHAPTER 87 Notice is hereby given that the following vehicle will be sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 8/24/2026. The sale will be held at 10:00am by CAMP BLANCO RV PARK 2011 OREGON ST, PORT ORFORD, OR 2005 CHEV SLV PK VIN= 1GCHK23U15F939511 Amount due on lien \$2758.28 Reputed owner(s) > DURAND KEITH DEMLOW 8/11 & 8/18/2026 World 429687

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PURSUANT TO ORS CHAPTER 87 Notice is hereby given that the following vehicle will be sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 8/24/2026. The sale will be held at 10:00am by RE-TELL HISTORY LLC 703 PARK AVE LAKESIDE, OR 1990 HD MC VIN = ECLE253672 Amount due on lien \$2804.00 Reputed owner(s) UTL-OR-ADD 8/11 & 8/18/2026 World 429686

PURSUANT TO ORS CHAPTER 87 Notice is hereby given that the following vehicle will be sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 9/4/2026. The sale will be held at 10:00am by RE-TELL HISTORY LLC 703 PARK AVE LAKESIDE, OR 1985 VOLK VAN VA VIN= WV2YB0251FH082502 Amount due on lien \$9585.00 Reputed owner(s) > ROBERT T & VIRGINIA M WALTHER 8/18 & 8/25/2026 World 429

State of Oregon County of Coos Court Case# 26CV05205 NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE (Real Property) On AUGUST 31ST, 2026, at the hour of 10:00am, at the main entrance of the Coos County Sheriff Office, 250 N. Baxter; Coquille, Oregon 97423, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check, in hand, made out to Coos County Sheriff's Office, subject to redemption, all of the right, title, claim and/or interest in the following described real property: Lots 4 and 5, Block 39, FIRST ADDITION TO EMPIRE, Coos County, Oregon. APN #: 1890200 The property is commonly known as: 961 Salmon Ave, Coos Bay, OR 97420 Said sale is made pursuant to a Writ of EXECUTION (SPECIFIC REAL PROPERTY) dated JUNE 5TH, 2026, issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Coos where COLUMBIA BANK FKA UMPQUA BANK; is plaintiff, and DOE 1 and DOE 2, being the occupants of or parties in possession or claiming any right to possession of the Real Property commonly known as 961 Salmon Ave. Coos Bay, OR 97420; DOE 3 and DOE 4, being the unknown heirs and devisees of Nancy L. Herzog-Bottom, and also all other persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title, lien, or interest in the property described in the Complaint herein; SPIRIT HERZOG-BOTTOM; FOREST J. LAMBERT; JENNIFER L. LAMBERT; WESTERN MERCANTILE AGENCY, INC; STATE OF OREGON, DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, ESTATE ADMINISTRATION DIVISION; OREGON HEALTH AUTHORITY; and STATE OF OREGON DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, SENIOR AND DISABLED SERVICES DIVISION is defendant. PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS, READ THIS SECTION CAREFULLY Before bidding at the sale, a prospective bidder should independently investigate: (a) The priority of the lien or interest of the judgment creditor; (b) Land use laws and regulations applicable to the property; (c) Approved uses for the property; (d) Limits on farming or forest practices on the property; (e) Rights of neighboring property owners; and (f) Environmental laws and regulations that affect the property. NOTICE TO DEBTOR, READ THIS SECTION CAREFULLY: You should be careful about offers to sell rights to surplus funds. You may have a right to surplus funds remaining after payment of costs and satisfaction of the judgment, as provided in ORS 18.950(4). If you transfer or sell your right to redemption, you might not have the right to surplus funds. Conditions of Sale: All potential bidders are subject to inspection of funds prior to or during participation in the auction to qualify as a bidder. Individuals without proof of sufficient funds, or that have not qualified before the start of the auction; will not be allowed to participate. Only U.S. currency and/or cashier's checks made payable to Coos County Sheriff Office will be accepted. Payment must be made in full immediately upon conclusion of the sale. Only the judgment creditor who obtained the writ may credit bid up to the Writ amount plus allowable costs. The judgment creditor must have cash in hand for any difference above the amount of the Writ and allowable costs. Interested parties can obtain additional information about this sale at: <http://oregonsheriffs-sales.org/> Dated: 7/20/26 Gabe Fabrizio, Sheriff Coos County, Oregon By Cindy Cade, Civil Clerk 7/28, 8/4, 8/11, & 8/18/2026 World 429222

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The Bandon City Council will hold a public hearing on Ordinance No. 1684, which, if adopted, would extend the City's current moratorium on new Vacation Rental Dwellings (VRDs) for a period not to exceed six (6) months. The current moratorium was established by Ordinance No. 1679, adopted on February 2, 2026, and effective March 2, 2026. Written public comments must be received by the City Recorder no later than Tuesday, September 1, 2026. june@bandon-or.gov For additional information or questions, please contact the Planning Department at (541) 347-7922 or planning@cityofbandon.org. 8/18/2026 World 429933

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TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE File No. 25-00951OR Reference is made to that certain deed of trust made by Misty Rider and Joshua Atchison, as grantor, to Ticor Title Company of Oregon, as trustee, in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as designated nominee for Summit Funding, Inc., beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns, as beneficiary, dated February 3, 2021, recorded February 5, 2021, in the records of Coos County, Oregon, under instrument No. 2021-01442, and subsequently assigned or transferred by operation of law to Freedom Mortgage Corporation, covering the following described real property situated in the above-mentioned county and state: A parcel of land located in the S 1/2 of the N 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 18, Township 29 South, Range 12 West of the Willamette Meridian, Coos County, Oregon and being described as follows: Beginning at the Northeast corner of the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 18, Township 29 South, Range 12 West of the Willamette Meridian; thence Westerly along the East 1/2dash West centerline of the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of said Section 440 feet; thence North 205 feet; thence East 200 feet; thence South 15 feet; thence East to the East line of said Section; thence Southerly along said East line to the point of beginning. ALSO: A parcel of land located in the S 1/2 of the N 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 18, Township 29 South, Range 12 West of the Willamette Meridian, Coos County, Oregon and being a portion of that property described in deed # 70-5-48296, Coos County Record of Deeds: Beginning at a point on the East line of said Section 18, said point being 190 feet Northerly from the Northeast corner of the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of said Section 18; thence West 140 feet; thence North 20 feet; thence East 140 feet; thence Southerly along the East line of said Section, 20 feet to the point of beginning. ALSO: A parcel of land lying in the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 18, Township 29

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South, Range 12 West of the Willamette Meridian, Coos County, Oregon and being a portion of that parcel described in Volume 268, Page 624, Coos County Record of Deeds, said portion being described as follows: The North 140 feet of the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 18, Township 29 South, Range 12 West of the Willamette Meridian, Coos County, Oregon. ALSO: That property acquired by Property Line Adjustment Deed recorded December 22, 2004 in Microfilm No. 2004-18286 and as Corrected by Correction Deed recorded April 21, 2005 in Microfilm No. 2005-5687, Records of Coos County, Oregon described as follows: Beginning at a 5/8" rebar from which the Southeast corner of the S 1/2 of the N 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 18, Township 29 South, Range 12 West of the Willamette Meridian, Coos County, Oregon, bears South 0° 12' 17" West a distance of 210.00 feet; thence North 0° 12' 17" East a distance of 45.24 feet to a point; thence South 86° 07' 29" West a distance of 2.59 feet to a 3/4" iron pipe; thence continuing South 86° 07' 29" West following an existing fence a distance of 166.69 feet to a 5/8" rebar in a fence corner; thence South 0° 00' 13" West following the existing fence a distance of 53.80 feet to a 5/8" rebar; thence continuing South 0° 00' 13" West and leaving said fence a distance of 2.62 feet to a point; thence North 84° 47' 08" East a distance of 28.77 feet to a point; thence North 0° 00' 00" West a distance of 20.00 feet to a point; thence East a distance of 140.07 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning. APN: 1154101 Commonly known as: 94283 Pond Lane, Myrtle Point, OR 97458 The undersigned hereby certifies that based upon business records there are no known written assignments of the trust deed by the trustee or by the beneficiary and no appointments of a successor trustee have been made, except as recorded in the records of the county or counties in which the above-described real property is situated. Further, no action has been instituted to recover the debt, or any part thereof, now remaining secured by the trust deed, or, if such action has been instituted, such action has been dismissed except as permitted by ORS 86.752(7). Both the beneficiary and the trustee have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said trust deed and notice has been recorded pursuant to Section 86.752(3) of Oregon Revised Statutes. There is a default by grantor or other person owing an obligation, performance of which is secured by the trust deed, or by the successor in interest, with respect to provisions therein which authorize sale in the event of such provision. The default for which foreclosure is made is grantor's failure to pay when due the following sum: TOTAL

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REQUIRED TO REINSTATE: \$32,700.90 TOTAL REQUIRED TO PAYOFF: \$350,630.22 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day-to-day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. It will be necessary for you to contact the Trustee before the time you tender reinstatement or the payoff amount so that you may be advised of the exact amount you will be required to pay. By reason of the default, the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by the trust deed immediately due and payable, those sums being the following, to-wit: 1. The installments of principal and interest which became due on May 1, 2025, and all subsequent installments of principal and interest through the date of this Notice, plus amounts that are due for late charges, delinquent property taxes, insurance premiums, advances made on senior liens, taxes and/or insurance, trustee's fees, and any attorney fees and court costs arising from or associated with the beneficiaries efforts to protect and preserve its security, all of which must be paid as a condition of reinstatement, including all sums that shall accrue through reinstatement or pay-off. Nothing in this notice shall be construed as a waiver of any fees owing to the Beneficiary under the Deed of Trust pursuant to the terms of the loan documents. Whereof, notice hereby is given that Affinia Default Services, LLC, the undersigned trustee will on November 17, 2026 at the hour of 10:00 AM (PST), as established by section 187.110, Oregon Revised Statutes, Inside the main lobby of the Coos County Courthouse, 250 N Baxter St, Coquille, OR 97423, County of Coos, State of Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the said described real property which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time of the execution by him of the said trust deed, together with any interest which the grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said trust deed, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in Section 86.778 of Oregon Revised Statutes has the right to have the foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the trust deed reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of said principal as would not then be due had no default occurred), together with the costs, trustee's and attorney's fees and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the obligation or trust deed, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for sale. For Sale Information, contact Xome at (800)

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758-8052 or www.xome.com. In construing this notice, the singular includes the plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to this grantor as well as any other person owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by the trust deed, and the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Pursuant to Oregon Law, this sale will not be deemed final until the Trustee's deed has been issued by Affinia Default Services, LLC. If any irregularities are discovered within 10 days of the date of this sale, the trustee will rescind the sale, return the buyer's money and take further action as necessary. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. NOTICE TO TENANTS: TENANTS OF THE SUBJECT REAL PROPERTY HAVE CERTAIN PROTECTIONS AFFORDED TO THEM UNDER ORS 86.782 AND POSSIBLY UNDER FEDERAL LAW. ATTACHED TO THIS NOTICE OF SALE, AND INCORPORATED HEREIN, IS A NOTICE TO TENANTS THAT SETS FORTH SOME OF THE PROTECTIONS THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO A TENANT OF THE SUBJECT REAL PROPERTY AND WHICH SETS FORTH CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS THAT MUST BE COMPLIED WITH BY ANY TENANT IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THE AFFORDED PROTECTION, AS REQUIRED UNDER ORS 86.771. Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Affinia Default Services, LLC may be deemed to be a debt collector and any information obtained

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may be used for that purpose. File No.: 25-00951OR Dated: 06/26/2026 Affinia Default Services, LLC By: /s/ Phally Eng Name: Phally Eng Title: Foreclosure Processor Trustee's Mailing Address: Affinia Default Services, LLC 16000 Christensen Rd., Suite 310 Tukwila, WA 98188 Phone Number: (503) 836-3799 Trustee's Physical Address: Affinia Default Services, LLC 10151 SE Sunnyside Road, Suite 490 Clackamas, OR 97015 Email: inquiries@affiniadefault.com NPP0490894 8/4, 8/11, 8/18, & 8/25/2026 World 429300

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TS No. OR07000044-26-1 APN 6526900 || 25S1327-AA-07100 TO No 260096142-OR-MSI TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE Reference is made to that certain Trust Deed made by, KAYLEE JO DARLENE SINGER as Grantor to TIICOR TITLE as Trustee, in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. ("MERS"), as designated nominee for FINANCE OF AMERICA MORTGAGE LLC, Beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns, dated as of July 28, 2021 and recorded on July 30, 2021 as Instrument No. 2021-08638 and the beneficial interest was assigned to LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC and recorded December 5, 2025 as Instrument Number 2025-08288 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Coos County, Oregon to-wit: APN: 6526900 || 25S1327-AA-07100 LOT 4, BLOCK 2, TOWN OF FERNDALE, COOS COUNTY, OREGON. EXCEPT THE EAST 25 FEET, HERETOFORE CONVEYED IN THAT CERTAIN DEED RECORDED IN BOOK 286, PAGE 367, DEED RECORDS OF COOS COUNTY, OREGON Commonly known as: 1356 N 8TH ST, COOS BAY, OR 97420 Both the Beneficiary, Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC, and the Trustee, Nathan F. Smith, OSB #120112, have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said Trust Deed and notice has been recorded pursuant to Section 86.752(3) of Oregon Revised Statutes. The default for which the foreclosure is made is the Grantor's failure to pay: Failed to pay payments which became due Monthly Payment(s): 11 Monthly Payment(s) from 08/01/2025 to 06/15/2026 at \$1,572.17 Total Late Charge(s): Total Late Charge(s) at \$615.02 By this reason of said default the Beneficiary has declared all obligations secured by said Trust Deed immediately due and payable, said sums being the following, to-wit: The sum of \$230,701.85 together with interest thereon at the rate of 3.25000% per annum from July 1, 2025 until paid; plus all accrued late charges thereon; and all Trustee's fees, foreclosure costs and any sums advanced by the Beneficiary pursuant to the terms of said Trust Deed. Wherefore, notice is hereby given that, the under-

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



Courtesy photo
Flanked by her family, Reedsport Mayor Linda McCollum celebrates being recognized with the small city Mayors Leadership Award by the Oregon Mayors Association.

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City staff were effusive with praise for McCollum in the nomination process. Melissa Cribbins, Attorney for the City of Reedsport stated “It has been a pleasure to work with Mayor McCollum for the last two years. Not only is she a pleasure to work with, but she is also unfailingly kind and thoughtful. Linda has an endless capacity to be kind to people whose ideologies differ from hers and ensures that the public can be heard at City Council meetings. I am

so pleased to recommend Mayor McCollum for this award.”

Former Reedsport City Councilor Cindy Wegner also went to bat for McCollum:

“I had the honor of working with Mayor Linda McCollum during my term on City Council. She has a calm control over the room during meetings that results in a stable forum for public/city staff/council discussions and decisions.

She has a subtle way of interjecting a sense of humor and empathy,” said Wegner.

The World would like to join the folks at OMA and Reedsport City Hall to congratulate Mayor McCollum on her deserved recognition, and wish her some well-earned relaxation once she passes the baton following November’s Mayoral election.

HISTORY

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It took 72 years, but the U.S. Navy belatedly admitted that it, not the lieutenant commander, had gotten it wrong.

As it turned out, Claudius and his small crew had scored the only sinking of a German U-boat in the Gulf of Mexico during World War II.

ABOUT THE WRITER
J. Mark Powell is a former television journalist. His nonfiction book “Witness to War: The Story of the Civil War Told by Those Living Through It” is available at jmarkpowell.com. He wrote this for InsideSources.com.

BLOTTER

From Page 3

- 4:25 pm, Newmark St, hit and run.
- 9:46 pm, Grant St, dispute.
- 11:08 pm, Virginia Ave, disorderly conduct.
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- August 11**

- 7:41 am, Monroe Ave, disturbance.
- 9:24 am, Mcpherson, elderly abuse.
- 10:02 am, Tremont Ave, hit and run.
- 10:44 am, Pony Creek Rd, accident, bicycle.
- 12:49 pm, Broadway and Newmark, non-injury accident.
- 2:59 pm, Sherman Ave,

- criminal trespass.
- 4:13 pm, Broadway and 14th, accident.
- 5:15 pm, Broadway Ave, accident.
- 5:22 pm, Virginia Ave, criminal trespass.
- 7:15 pm, Newmark St, criminal mischief.
- 7:47 pm, Tremont Ave, harassment.
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- August 12**
- 12:12 am, Sherman and Virginia, disorderly conduct.
- 2:44 am, Pine St, criminal trespass.
- 7:50 am, California St, criminal mischief.
- 7:56 am, Virginia Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 8:42 am, Union and Virginia, warrant

- service.
- 9:37 am, Virginia and Broadway, disorderly conduct.
- 10:22 am, Broadway and Virginia, disorderly conduct.
- 11:06 am, Sherman Ave, criminal trespass.
- 11:11 am, Tremont Ave, hit and run.
- 1:18 pm, Sherman Ave,

- disorderly conduct.
- 4:02 pm, Newmark St, disorderly conduct.
- 5:30 pm, Thompson Rd, theft.
- 6:08 pm, Sherman Ave, criminal trespass.
- 6:48 pm, Newmark St, criminal trespass.

Southwestern offers free GED and Adult Basic Education classes Fall Term 2026

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

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

1. Morning GED® Class – Monday through Thursday

2. Afternoon GED® Class – Monday through Thursday from 12pm-2pm
3. Evening GED® Class – Tuesday through Thursday from 5pm-7pm

All classes are live and in-person on the Coos Cam-

pus. The afternoon class is offered live and in-person on the Curry Campus in Brookings, OR. For students who cannot make it to either campus, classes are offered via Zoom during all three sessions. Fall term starts September 14,

2026 and ends November 25, 2026. To register for orientation and classes, go to <https://swoccapce.org/> and click GET STARTED. For questions, please email Adult & Pre-College Education at apce@socc.edu or call 541-888-1593.

Classical music in the wild coming to Langlois

By BREE LAUGHLIN
Wild Rivers Land Trust

South Coast community members have a unique opportunity to attend a classical music concert in the wild with IN A LANDSCAPE: Classical Music in the Wild™ on Sunday, Aug. 30. The outdoor concert series replaces the traditional concert hall with America's most stunning landscapes. A 9-foot Steinway grand piano travels on a flatbed trailer to State and National Parks, urban green spaces, working ranches, and historical sites for classical music concerts that connect people with



each landscape. As part of their 2026 tour, IN A LANDSCAPE classical pianist Hunter Noack will be performing at Valley Flora Farm in Langlois, OR at the end of this month. Valley Flora is a shining example of

a farm that feeds its community — through its CSA program, local farmers markets, and by supplying grocers along the coast and throughout Southern Oregon. “What inspires me most about Valley Flora is that it's as functional as it is romantic,” said Hunter Noack. “It's not just that they work hard—it's that they do it in the most beautiful way possible,” he said. A couple of years ago, during one of the IN A LANDSCAPE concerts, Valley Flora Farms co-owner Zoë Bradbury DeSurra was out on horseback, tilling the rich soil of the valley with headphones on so she could hear the music while she worked. The audience could look out over the rows of crops and watch that scene unfold in real time. “Valley Flora represents everything I think we should aspire to be: good land stewards, community-minded, hard-working, and bursting with hope,” Noack said. “The Bradbury family exemplifies the Rumi line, ‘Let the beauty we love be what we do.’” IN A LANDSCAPE brings concert hall-quality classical music into natural and working landscapes that are meaningful to the communities around them. Whether it's a family farm, a state park, a mountain meadow, or the edge of the

ocean, the landscape isn't just a backdrop—it's part of the performance. “My hope is that the music becomes the soundtrack to people's experience in nature,” pianist Noack said. Guests bring blankets, picnic dinners, or camp chairs, and experience the music however they feel most comfortable. Everyone listens through wireless headphones, which creates an intimate listening experience while giving people the freedom to wander a trail, sit quietly beneath a tree, close their eyes, or even come lie underneath the piano to feel the vibrations of the instrument. A portion of the ticket sales at the Aug. 30 IN A LANDSCAPE concert at Valley Flora will support local nonprofit Wild Rivers Land Trust. Wild Rivers Land Trust works to conserve and steward the natural spaces that people and wildlife depend on for clean air, fresh water and healthy habitats throughout Southern Oregon's Wild Rivers Coast. By partnering with willing landowners, Wild Rivers Land Trust also helps working farms and ranches preserve their legacies for future generations. “By supporting local nonprofit organizations we are able to amplify the work that happens year-round in each community,” said IN A LANDSCAPE pianist



Hunter Noack. “Wild Rivers Land trust is invested in protecting the watersheds, the working landscapes, and the wild landscapes. We are happy to support them because they understand that conservation isn't about locking nature away, but about making sure farms, forests, rivers, wildlife, and local communities can all thrive together for generations,” he said. First-time guests at IN A LANDSCAPE's Valley Flora concert should plan

to arrive early enough to enjoy the walk from the parking area to the concert site. After checking in and receiving wireless headphones, they can settle into the landscape before the music begins. “What surprises many people is how approachable classical music becomes in this setting. For those who find traditional concert halls intimidating or restrictive, there's a sense of freedom. You're welcome to move, breathe, stretch out in the grass, watch

the changing light, or simply be still. The wind, birdsong, shifting clouds, and stories behind the music all become part of the experience. “My hope is that people leave with a deeper connection to both the music and the place. Sometimes people tell me they discovered they love classical music. Other times they say they noticed a familiar landscape in an entirely new way. To me, both are equally meaningful,” Noack said.

Oregon, nine other states sue Trump admin to protect interest payments to homeowners

By MIA MALDONADO
Oregon Capital Chronicle

A coalition of 10 Democratic-led states, including Oregon, sued the Trump administration Tuesday over a new rule that could cost homeowners hundreds or even thousands of dollars by preempting state laws that require mortgage lenders to pay interest on the money borrowers deposit into escrow accounts to cover taxes and insurance. Mortgage lenders generally require borrowers to

make monthly payments into savings accounts, called escrow accounts, to cover the cost of annual property taxes and home insurance premiums. Because homeowners pay monthly but taxes are due once a year, those escrow accounts generate interest for the lender. At least 12 states since the 1970s enacted laws requiring mortgage lenders to pay homeowners interest for the money they have in their escrow accounts to prevent predatory lending practices. The Ore-

gon Department of Justice estimated the state's law results in the state's mortgage holders receiving an average of \$200-\$300 per year in interest payments. However, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, a federal agency that supervises and examines banks, issued two new rules in May to prevent those state laws from applying to national banks and federal savings associations, thus slashing the interest many homeowners receive for the money in their escrow accounts.

The rule does not apply to state-chartered banks, which plaintiffs say leaves smaller banks at a competitive disadvantage. Oregon Attorney General Dan Rayfield and New York Attorney General Letitia James are leading the lawsuit alleging the federal agency is violating the limits Congress placed on it when it passed the Dodd-Frank Act, a massive consumer protection law passed in the wake of the 2008 financial crisis aimed at curbing risky financial industry practices.

“At a time when homeownership is more expensive than ever, the Trump administration is trying to make it even more costly with these unlawful rules,” James said in a statement. “Big banks and mortgage lenders should not be able to force homeowners to lock away significant amounts of money without paying interest.” The coalition also includes the attorneys general of California, Connecticut, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Rhode Island and Vermont

— all of whom represent states with interest-on-escrow laws. In Rhode Island, Attorney General Peter Neronha said the law results in borrowers recouping thousands of dollars each year. “In the midst of a national affordability crisis, those who have scraped together the money to buy their own home and stay

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This was the biggest meet the club has ever hosted, with approximately 50 more swimmers than last year. Events ranged from the 25-yard free for 8 & under swimmers to the 1650-yard freestyle.

Athletes varied in age from 6 up to 22 years old. The meet always follows a Hawaiian theme, with leis awarded to heat winners, and officials wearing tropical shirts. For many teams, it is the last swim meet of the season, a kickoff to a few weeks off in the summer before fall swimming starts again.

This event is not only fun for the swimmers, but also GCST's main fundraiser of the year. Sponsors from the community support the event. This year's banner sponsors, who donated \$100-\$199 included Pamela DeJong Edward Jones, Pacific Properties, and Dr. Dallas Carter. Lane sponsors, who

donate \$200-\$499 included Oregon Pacific Bank, Bigfoot Beverages, Gib's RV, Acadia Environmental, Farr's Hardware, McKay's Market, Thomas Holt DDS, Honda World, Gies Law, North Bend Medical Center Pediatrics, and LeMert Orthodontics. The 2025 community sponsors, who donated

\$500 or more included First Community Credit Union, North Bend Medical Center Pain & Addiction, Southport Forest Products LLC, and 7 Devils Brewing. Gold Coast Swim Team would like to thank any and all businesses who donated to the Big Kahuna in other ways, in the

form of raffle prizes and much more. These include DJ Bingo, who kindly donates sound every year, El Coyote food truck, who helped feed volunteers and coaches, and many, many more. Next year's Big Kahuna will take place on August 6-8, 2027.

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in it can't afford to lose money they are entitled to under state law," he said in a statement. "These state consumer protection laws have been in place for decades to ensure that Rhode Island borrowers receive every penny they are due, and the administration's attempt to pull a fast one on consumers is uncalled for and unlawful."

The states filed their suit in U.S. District Court in Portland and are seeking a court order declaring the rules illegal and preventing their implementation.

The case marks Oregon's 74th lawsuit against the Trump administration, Rayfield told reporters in a virtual press conference Tuesday afternoon.

Interest-on-escrow laws vary per state

Under Oregon law, lenders must pay homeowners 2.6% in monthly interest on the money held in their escrow accounts — a rate calculated using the floating interest rate of U.S. Treasury bills minus 1%.

Each state has a different set-up, with some mandating a 2% flat rate and others requiring lenders to pay out the rate they offer on a typical savings account, according to Oregon Department of Justice spokesperson Jenny Hansson.

There are 703,000 mortgage holders in Oregon, and the amount they receive in interest varies depending on where they live and their property's value.

"Because we barely

look at that statement that comes in the mail every month, frankly, I think the Trump administration thought they could get away with this because most of us probably wouldn't notice," Rayfield said.

The lawsuit is a simple way to keep money in citizens' pockets, Rayfield said.

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Oregon Attorney General Dan Rayfield and New York Attorney General Letitia James are leading the lawsuit filed in the U.S. District Court of Portland. (Photo by Mia Maldonado/Oregon Capital Chronicle)

Political Cartoon



Super Crossword

Answers

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Americanisms

"The two things you can't fake are good food and good music."

— Etta James

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The Garden Bug

Electroculture

Though this concept was first written about more than 120 years ago, with claims of success in accelerating plant growth, it was not further studied seriously in western culture.

In 2023, the Academy of Sciences in Beijing compared regular pea plants to pea plants that were exposed to an electrical field. The electrified pea seeds germinated faster, and later produced higher yields.

Sources: www.greenmatters.com
www.nature.com/articles/s43016-021-00449-9

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GO FIGURE!

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State/Regional News

Riley Creek Fire quickly contained in Gold Beach thanks to rapid response

Staff Report

The Riley Creek fire was successfully contained by Gold Beach Fire Department crews with the help of a long list of partner departments. Thanks to quick responses the fire was contained to just under 12 acres from Highway 101 to Weber Way.

“Huge thanks to Incident Commander Tyson Krieger for his outstanding leadership. We specifically want to thank the Oregon State Fire Marshal (OSFM)—participating in their conflagration

system provided Tyson with the critical training and preparation needed to manage so many differing departments across a large, rapidly changing incident,” said the department in official communications.

In addition to the marshals, the GBFD thanked the incredible crews who rushed to the front lines in the Coos Forest Protective Association, Gold Beach Ranger District (Crew 31), Ophir Fire, Cedar Valley Fire, Pistol River Fire, Port Orford Fire, Sixes Fire, Agness Fire, Brookings Fire, Cape Ferrelo Fire,

and Harbor Fire. They also thanked GBPD, Curry County Sheriff’s Department, and Oregon State Police for managing urgent evacuations and keeping Highway 101 clear for emergency rigs.

Emergency alerts were issued, with the CCSO instituting a Level 3 Evacuation Order or, “GO NOW!”. That was reduced to a Level 2 order within an hour of the first warning being issued. Thanks to the swift response, no injuries or major property damage was reported.



Oregon researchers journey into Pacific for clues about disappearance of old, female rockfish

ALEX BAUMHARDT
Oregon Capital Chronicle

Off the coasts of California, Oregon, Washington, Canada and Alaska, three species of female rockfish have largely disappeared in the last 40 years.

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife scientists hope to learn why when they board an Oregon State University trawler Aug. 1 for two weeks — including a two-day journey westward across 322 miles

of ocean — to the Cobb Seamount and the edge of the North Pacific Gyre to search for the old females.

The seamount is an inactive underwater volcano that has created a solid ocean shelf where marine ecosystems thrive, and the gyre is one of Earth’s five large, rotating ocean currents. It spans from North America to Asia and stops at the equator, where the currents of the South Pacific Gyre pick up.

Some records from fed-

eral scientists and fishing crews in the 1960s detail sightings of larger, perhaps old, female black, canary and yellowtail rockfish that have largely today disappeared from Oregon’s Coast.

They are three of 86 species of rockfish found in Oregon, and both male and female black and yellowtails can live up to 60 years, while canary rockfish can live even a decade longer.

But commercial and recreational fishing crews and fisheries managers up

and down the West Coast of the U.S. and Canada for the last few decades have caught very few females over 30 years old. Most of the female population begins to decline after 12 years, leaving almost exclusively males, explained Leif Rasmuson, who leads the rockfish research at ODFW’s Marine Fisheries Research Program.

For the department, knowing whether the old females exist, and whether they still reproduce, is helpful for managing

fisheries and catch limits to balance ocean fish stocks. The rockfish are sexually mature at 6 years old, so the disappearance of the elder females off the Coast has not yet been detrimental to stocks managed by the state.

But Rasmuson said the research is also about alleviating concerns over unanswered, “disconcerting” questions about the future of the species and whether they are dying of causes set off by a toppling domino wall of human effects.

If they find the older females, he and the crew will study whether they are genetically related to nearshore populations of rockfish, and whether their diet differs from other populations and will tag and release some to learn about any migration patterns.

Hypotheses Among the lesser possible explanations, according to Rasmuson, is

ROCKFISH
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Puzzle answers on page 9

Super Crossword

ACROSS

1 Lie down in rest

7 Pedometer unit

11 Trial fig.

14 Pig in a kids' series

19 A bit coarse, as humor

20 — sapiens

21 Informal talks

23 Personae non — (unwelcome sorts)

24 At the summit

25 Nietzsche, e.g.

26 Start of a riddle

29 Granola bit

30 Goose of Hawaii

31 Many a craft brew, in brief

32 — center (play area)

33 Thu. follower

36 "That's — blow!"

38 Riddle, part 2

43 Suffix with billion

45 High-IQ crew

46 Harp relatives

47 Uncouth sorts

50 Ortiz of "Ugly Betty"

52 City near Seattle

56 Riddle, part 3

62 Hat for Indiana Jones

63 Esther of "Good Times"

64 China's Chou En- —

65 Uncertainties

68 Very last part

70 Opus

72 Freaks out

75 Gore, Roker and Pacino

76 Relative of .edu or .org

78 Base for head hair

80 Like many Coast Guard rescues

81 Riddle, part 4

86 Feature of the word "jot"

87 Execs' mag

88 Idea sources

89 Skylit lobbies

92 Project deeds

96 James of "Alien Nation"

98 End of the riddle

103 Pirate's drink

107 Bunch

108 "Deck the Halls" contraction

109 Mined stuff

110 Egyptian canal

112 Year, in Brazil

113 Riddle's answer

119 Like the work of insurance risk calculators

121 "Bye-bye!"

122 Walk really quietly

123 Lambastes

124 Pre-'91 empire

125 "7 Rings" singer

Grande

126 Applesauce brand

127 "Fancy that!"

128 Chinese dog, in brief

129 Became faint

6 Glasses and contacts

7 Unselfish sort

8 Carry around

9 Like theatrical behavior

10 Appear like a jack-in-the-box

11 Last part of some plays

12 Saloon

13 Castle tower

14 Org. against leather

15 Estrada of "CHiPs"

16 Miss terribly

17 Tent stake

18 Hoofed beast

22 Nickname for Louis Armstrong

27 Make beloved

28 Sculling tools

34 Comic Issa

35 SSNs, e.g.

37 Artist Andy

39 Iconic "Dragnet" line

40 Granola bits

41 Often-tickled Muppet

42 With 48-Down, "Barry Lyndon" star

44 French river or department

47 U.K.'s counterpart to an Oscar

48 See 42-Down

49 A bit strange

51 Neither's partner

53 Ocean east of Ga.

54 Mined stuff

55 Columbus citizen

57 Mexican general Villa

58 Donovan of "Clueless"

59 Decide (to)

60 Decompose

61 "— Cousins" (Elvis Presley film)

66 Grazing area

67 Doesn't leave

69 Mail slot spot

71 Plaza Hotel girl

73 Rho follower

74 Botching it up

77 "Rocky III" co-star

79 Wordplay bit

82 "That so?"

83 Persian ruler

84 Like a snoop

85 Build up, as interest

89 Piercing tool

90 Even if, in brief

91 Snare drum sound

93 Inadequate

94 Annual basketball contest on the Continent

95 Silk nightdress

97 Proficient in

99 Pong maker

100 Clamping down on

101 Lordly homo

102 Beachward

104 Believers in Jah, informally

105 Common soccer score

106 Conk out, as a machine

111 Old name of the Congo

114 "Hooper" star Reynolds

115 Junior miss

116 Big ice mass

117 Bit of work

118 Revolve

119 It's pressed for cash

120 Co. big shot

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The World

Weekender

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Community Calendar of Events

Please email worldeditor@CountryMedia.net to submit an event

RECURRING EVENTS

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

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

DANCE AND FITNESS CLASS
EVERY OTHER SATURDAY (YEAR ROUND, EXCEPT HOLIDAYS)
9:00–10:00 AM
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EVERY TUESDAY - 10:30 AM
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FOCCAS ADOPTION SHOWCASE
EVERY SATURDAY - 10:00 AM–4:00 PM (OTHER TIMES BY APPOINTMENT)
PONY VILLAGE MALL, 1611 VIRGINIA AVE., NORTH BEND

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

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

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

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

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

FURRY FRIENDS THERAPY DOGS, INC. MEETING
FOURTH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH (THIRD THURSDAY IN NOVEMBER & DECEMBER)
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GRIEF & LOSS SUPPORT GROUP
FIRST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH - 12:00–2:00 PM
KAFFE 101, 171 S. BROADWAY, COOS BAY
A WELCOMING SUPPORT GROUP HOSTED BY PACIFIC HOME HEALTH & HOSPICE.

WOMEN’S EMPOWERMENT BOOK CLUB
FIRST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH - 11:00 AM–12:00 PM
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BUILD IT SATURDAYS (LEGO®)
FIRST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH - 12:00–1:30 PM
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OPEN LEGO BUILDING FOR AGES 0–14. KIDS UNDER 11 MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.

BUILD IT CHALLENGE (LEGO®)
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PARKINSON’S SUPPORT GROUP
SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH - 1:00–2:30 PM
COOS BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY, MYRTLEWOOD ROOM
SUPPORT AND CONNECTION FOR PEOPLE WITH PARKINSON’S AND CARE PARTNERS.

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

COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION.

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

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

CRAFT TAKEOUT
THIRD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH - 12:00–6:00 PM
COOS BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY, 525 ANDERSON AVE.
PICK UP A FREE MONTHLY CRAFT KIT WHILE SUPPLIES LAST.

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

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

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

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

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

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THE DOLPHIN PLAYERS: SALUTE TO AMERICA AUGUST 14 – 23
IN CELEBRATION OF AMERICA’S 250TH ANNIVERSARY, THE DOLPHIN PLAYERS ARE PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THEIR UPCOMING LIMITED-RUN MUSICAL REVUE, SALUTE TO AMERICA, RUNNING AUGUST 14–16 AND 21–23 AT THE DOLPHIN PLAYHOUSE IN COOS BAY. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY SHOWS START AT 7:00 PM. SUNDAY SHOWS AT 2:00 PM. THIS DYNAMIC VARIETY SHOW BRINGS THE AMERICAN STORY TO LIFE THROUGH A BLEND OF PATRIOTIC ANTHEMS, TRADITIONAL FOLK AND LABOR SONGS, THEATRICAL NUMBERS, AND DRAMATIC READINGS OF HISTORIC DOCUMENTS, ALONGSIDE A SELECTION OF CROWD-FAVORITE MELODIES. TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE.

SUMMER SCIENCE MOVIES IN THE PARK
AUGUST 28, 7:30 PM
MINGUS PARK AMPHITHEATRE BROUGHT TO YOU BY COOS WATERSHED ASSOCIATION AND CITY OF COOS BAY. COME ENJOY TWO OUTDOOR, WATERSHED-THEMED MOVIES WHILE SURROUNDED BY NATURE! ALL FILMS ARE FAMILY-FRIENDLY. VISIT COOSWATERSHED.ORG AND COOSWA SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES FOR UPDATES AND SCHEDULE CHANGES.

SUNSET BAY STATE PARK GUEST SPEAKER SERIES WITH KYLE MOTLEY, ELAKHA ALLIANCE AUGUST 20, 6:00 – 7:00 PM
SUNSET BAY INTERPRETIVE CENTER ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 20 FROM 6 - 7 PM AT SUNSET BAY STATE PARK, JOIN KYLE MOTLEY, COASTAL COMMUNITY COORDINATOR OF THE ELAKHA ALLIANCE, AS HE SHARES EFFORTS TO RETURN AN ICONIC NATIVE SPECIES, THE SEA OTTER, TO THE OREGON COAST. FUR TRADERS OF THE 18TH/19TH CENTURIES WIPED OUT SEA OTTERS ALONG MOST OF THE PACIFIC WEST COAST. RUSSIAN TRAPPERS CALLED THEIR PELTS “SOFT GOLD.” THE ELAKHA ALLIANCE — NAMED FOR THE CHINOOK WORD FOR SEA OTTER — WORKS TO REVERSE THAT LOSS AND RESTORE A HEALTHIER MARINE ENVIRONMENT. KYLE WILL EXPLAIN WHY REINTRODUCING SEA OTTERS MEANS MORE THAN SIMPLY RELOCATING ANIMALS HERE. MEET AT THE INTERPRETIVE CENTER AT THE SUNSET BAY CAMPGROUND.

MUSIC ON THE BAY - JACQUIE ROAR
AUGUST 20
JACQUIE ROAR WILL PERFORM HER COUNTRY ROCK REPERTOIRE AT THE MINGUS PARK AMPHITHEATER AS PART OF MUSIC ON THE BAY’S COMPLIMENTARY CONCERT SERIES. THE SECOND EVENT FEATURES THE FORMER VOICE CONTESTANT AND FOURTH-PLACE FINALIST, PRESENTING HER TALENTS TO THE OREGON BAY AREA COMMUNITY. ATTENDEES ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING CHAIRS, BLANKETS, AND PICNIC PROVISIONS TO ENJOY THE PLEASANT SURROUNDINGS AND EXPERIENCE AN EVENING OF EXCEPTIONAL MUSIC.

CAM KIDS 2-DAY SUMMER CAMP
AUGUST 21 & 22, 11:00-3:00 PM
CAM STUDIO, 187 CENTRAL AVE, COOS BAY
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ANNUAL BLACKBERRY ARTS FESTIVAL
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THE ANNUAL BLACKBERRY ART FESTIVAL CELEBRATES ART AND OREGON’S FAVORITE BERRY ON AUGUST 22 AND 23. FOR 40+ YEARS, THIS JURIED FESTIVAL HAS SHOWCASED LOCAL AND REGIONAL ARTISTS DURING PEAK AUGUST BLACKBERRY SEASON. SHOP METALWORK, JEWELRY, QUILTS, CANDLES, HAND-PAINTED CLOTHING, CARVED WOOD, WINE, AND MORE. ENJOY FOOD VENDORS (YES, BLACKBERRY TREATS), PLUS LIVE MUSIC ON THE BLACKBERRY JAM STAGE ALL WEEKEND. ADMISSION IS FREE AND THE STREET FAIR AND VENDORS ARE LOCATED ALONG CENTRAL AVENUE IN DOWNTOWN COOS BAY, SATURDAY 9 A.M. - 6 P.M. AND SUNDAY 10 A.M. - 4 P.M.

SALTY SISTERS ALL WOMEN TUNA ADVENTURE
AUGUST 22
JOIN SALTY SISTERS ADVENTURES FOR A FULL-DAY OFFSHORE TUNA FISHING ADVENTURE ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 22 (YES- IT’S AS EPIC AS IT SOUNDS.) THIS WOMEN’S-ONLY TRIP DEPARTS FROM CHARLESTON, OREGON, HEADING OFFSHORE INTO THE PACIFIC IN

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As I See It

By Mary Schamehorn

I love this perspective of the dredge Yaquina, taken while it was berthed in the local harbor in 1981. The United States Army Corps of Engineers dredge was commissioned in June of 1981, which means when this picture was taken the nearly \$14 million dollar dredge was new. It continues in service today, and only recently was pictured on Facebook as it worked on the local bar. My guess is I took this photo with a telephoto lens, hence the interesting compression of the vessels in the Port. The Yaquina is one of the Corps’ two hopper dredges, whose primary mission is to maintain the entrance bars, rivers and harbors.

The second photo was taken in August of 1993 during the clearing of the construction site by the Coquille Tribe for Heritage Place (now Pacific View), formerly the site of Grandmother Rock, also known as Tupper Rock.

Lewis, Jeffrey Greene and Makenzie Williams, of Bandon; grandchildren, River and Emmitt Lewis and Ava and Jayce Penifold; brother, Jim Luther of North Bend, and sisters, Linda (Tom) Smalley of Nampa, Ida., and Mary (Bob) Jackman of Knoxville, Tenn. Preceding her in death was her sister, Patty Luther, who died July 1, 1967, the summer before her senior year, in a car accident north of Bandon.

I have learned that one of my former grade school teachers, Shirley McKenzie Van Loo of Sixes, died recently at the age of 98. Among her survivors are her three children, Alice Baum of Bandon, and Beth Stinnett and Robert Van Loo, both of Sixes.

She was preceded in death by her husband Aubrey “Corky” Van Loo.

A big crowd watched shortly before 11 a.m. last Monday as a Coast Guard helicopter rescued a couple who’s small 14-foot

rescue stranded vessels and save lives in the absence of the U.S. Coast Guard, who had a motor lifeboat stationed here for years. Presently, if needed, the Coast Guard has to dispatch a boat from Coos Bay or the helicopter from Air Station North Bend. Too often, time is of the essence, and Wayne, a long-time member of the Port of Bandon Commission, has continued to answer the distress call!

I have learned that Bandon Police Officer Zach Carpenter has left the force for a job at OHSU in Portland where he will reportedly be a member of the police force of Oregon’s largest hospital. He was a popular young officer and will be missed!

As far as picking up paperwork to file for city council or mayor, the list expanded this week with the addition of several new names. Thus far, those who have turned in their completed signature sheets are council

was teaching photography at the high school during those years.

John Richards said the Class of 1986 will celebrate their 40th anniversary, kicking it off at the Cranberry Bowl game Friday night.

Sunday, Sept. 13, the all-class reunion for BHS families and friends will be held at the Bandon Fisheries Warehouse, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The city council recently received the results of a Water and Wastewater (sewer) utility rate study which showed, among other information, how Bandon compared with other cities when it came to our combined water-sewer bill. Electric is not factored into the information because none of the surrounding communities have their own hydroelectric department.

Bandon’s current and proposed rates (\$82.07 and \$85.27) are the lowest of the two counties, followed by North Bend \$97.33,



with Rick’s Medical Supply.

During a recent presentation at the Meet and Greet by spokesman Judy Jackson, it was explained that the ladies who staff the loan closet are getting older and hope to eventually pass the torch to another church, a service organization or a medical facility. They urged those attending the Meet and Greet to “spread the word ... share your ideas as how to keep this valuable resource in our community ... help us to continue.”

They loan walkers and wheelchairs, crutches and canes, commodes and toilet risers, transfer benches, knee scooters, grabbers, shower stools and tub rails. They meet those in need of equipment by appointment by calling 541-590-2443 (email them at stjohnsloanclset@gmail.com).

They loan medical equipment at no charge for a three-month period and the loan can be extended up to nine months if needed.

Last February, Darcy Grahek of Stillwater Natives Nursery announced to the city council that Bandon is

how to bring a pollinator microhabitat into your space,” said Grahek. Join them from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Registration is required, and people are urged to send their name and contact info to info@stillwaternativesnursery.com or call 541-260-2182.

Coming events:

Wednesday, Aug. 19, chamber mixer at Tru Furniture, 5 to 7; ribbon cutting at 5:30.

Bandon area veterans are reminded that Thursday, Aug. 20, is the next Coos County Veterans Stand Down, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the North Bend Community Center, 2222 Broadway Ave., North Bend, with representatives from the Bandon American Legion, VFW Post 3440 and the VFW Auxiliary to be there to assist. There will be a free breakfast for veterans and their families, and Veterans Affairs and community resource booths will be available as will medical and dental services.

Friday, Aug. 21, wine walk sponsored by GBA and Bandon businesses, Old Town, 5 to 7, \$10 glasses at picnic shelter



The third photo was taken several months later, in October of 1993, as construction began on the assisted living facility on Jetty Road.

The community was saddened by the death of a much-loved Bandon woman, Joni Marie Williams, 63, who died Aug. 5 as the result of a traffic accident just south of Langlois at 5:40 p.m. The driver of the other vehicle was an 18-year-old Coos Bay man, Hunter Sturgill, who also died.

Williams was reportedly en route to Edson Creek on the Sixes River where she and her husband, Marc Williams, were camping.

A 1980 graduate of Bandon High School, Williams was the former Joni Luther, daughter of the late Ernie and Dona Luther, long-time owners of Beach Junction Grocery. Other survivors are her four children, Andrea Greene (Jerry) Penifold of Coos Bay, and Amy Greene (Taylor)

pleasure craft had taken on water and left them stranded on the rocks in the Coquille River near the south jetty.

Sgt. Levi Noel of the Bandon Police Department had assisted a man and a woman out of the boat and onto the rocks, where Sheriff’s Deputy Churchill, in a wet suit, assisted the rescue swimmer in getting the pair into the helicopter bucket after the copter arrived shortly before noon. They were taken one by one to the south jetty parking lot, where they were treated for hypothermia at 12:30 p.m. They reportedly had no other injuries.

In other marine action, Charter boat owner Wayne Butler reportedly towed a fishing vessel into the basin around 1 p.m. Saturday, where it docked at Weber’s Pier. Although there was no word, apparently the boat was in distress and needed assistance in crossing the bar.

Butler has continued to

candidates Chris Powell, Madeline Seymour and Renee Taylor, and mayor candidates Josh Adamson and Mary Schamehorn.

Others having picked up packets, include John Cotrufo, Dan Chandler, Lisa Burt, Donna Smith Snyder, Claudine Hundhausen, Richard Ahumada and David Zaragoza.

Cotrufo is a retired psychiatrist; Chandler is a former Bandon city manager; Burt ran a write-in campaign for mayor two years ago; Smith Snyder is a community activist; Hundhausen is a former city councilor; Ahumada is meat manager at Ray’s, and Zaragoza is a Bandon businessman.

Cranberry Festival weekend (Sept. 12-13) will be hosting at least three class reunions and an all-school reunion, with the Class of 1966 celebrating 60 years by gathering at Bandon Fisheries Warehouse on Thursday, Sept. 10, at 4 p.m. Members of the committee are chair Sharon Ward Moy, Barry Winters, Bill Burgher, Bill McNeil, Bill Wehner, Bill Smith and Donny Goddard.

The Class of 1976 will be celebrating 50 years, with festivities at the spacious home of classmate Brett Johnson. My youngest sister Mindy Johnson is a member of the class, and I’ve been invited to join them as I

Gold Beach \$103.79, Brookings \$105.76, Coos Bay \$119.85, Coquille \$126.02 and Port Orford \$162.24.

The St. John’s Medical Loan Closet, founded in 2017 with one wheelchair, has since grown to



more than 200+ pieces of medical equipment, most donated

This is the primary outreach program of St. John’s Episcopal Church, and since 2020, they have assisted 1,152 clients, loaned 2,115 pieces of medical equipment and spoken with 5,668 clients.

The service they offer is one that is not readily available throughout the state, with two in Portland, one in Medford, one in Pendleton and one in Vancouver, Wash., along

now on the map as a pollinator pathway town. “Engaged citizens on our southern Oregon coast have led multiple efforts to bring the plight of the pollinators forward to be noticed with public art, garden classes and tours, and installation of habitat gardens,” she said.

On Sept. 19 at the Bandon Library’s Sprague room, “we will host people representing themselves, their community, tribes, and agencies to share information on

on dock.

Sept. 1, Blood drive, sponsored by Southern Coos Hospital and Health Center, noon to 5 p.m., The Barn, City Park. Call 1-800-733-2767 enter: SouthernCoosCityof-Bandon to schedule an appointment.

Bandon Cranberry Festival, Sept. 12-13.

The Living and Aging Well program, which was scheduled for Aug. 7, has been postponed by Coos Health and Wellness until Oct. 15.



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FLASH GORDON

BY JIM KEEFE

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CRASH!

WHAT THE...?!

A BELATED MESSAGE FROM ONE OF YOUR GUARDSMEN, BARIN!

BUT HOW...?!

THIS FACILITY HAS BEEN SEALED OFF FROM THE REST OF THE PALACE. IT IS NOW UNDER MY COMMAND!

WHAT BETTER WAY TO INFILTRATE THE PALACE THEN TO RECRUIT THE FORMER HEAD OF YOUR SECURITY, BARIN?

THAT VOICE...

NEXT: THE GORKONS!

THIMBLE THEATRE PRESENTS

POPEYE

BY RANDY MCKILLAND

...THERE'S MONSTERS IN THAT MINE. DON'T NO ONE COME OUT!

IT'S JUST TOO DANGEROUS TO GO EXPLORIN'!

SOMEHOW YOU TWO HIGH-FINN' PIMMENT' PERIL IS MORE UPSETTIN' THAN THE PERIL ITSELF.

IMPRESSIVE IF ULTIMATELY FUTILE EFFORT, SAILOR.

YOU MAY HAVE DEFEATED MY FOLLOWERS, BUT YOU ARE NOT PREPARED FOR THE MIGHT OF...

DERLETH THE DESTROYER CONSUMER OF REALITIES!

I WILL DEVOUR YOUR PUNY!

OW!

THAT REALLY HURT! ALL I WANTED TO DO IS DESTROY YOUR REALITY!

I'M GON' HOME!

EUGENE KIN VA BRINGS ME SOMETHIN' FER ME?

JEEP! JEEP!

"SNIFF" POPEYE SENT ME AN APOLOGY CARD?!

"I'M SORRY WE GOTTA OFF ONNA WRONG FOOT. LET'S START AGAIN WITH A RIGHT."

WHAM!

WHAT DOES THAT EVEN--

SOME INTRADIMENSIONAL BEN'S IS SO FRAGILE.

TIGER

by BUD BLAKE

YOU'RE CROWDING ME, STRIPE

LEMME PAST, STRIPE

OUTTA MY WAY, STRIPE

NOT SO CLOSE, STRIPE

BACK UP, STRIPE

MOVE! I CAN'T SEE, STRIPE

SEE IF YOU CAN FIND STRIPE ANYWHERE

HAL FOSTER'S

Prince Valiant

BY SCHULTZ AND YEATES

AN OLD MAN APPROACHES NATHAN IN THE BAZAAR - AND MUTTERS EXCITEDLY ABOUT GIOVANNI'S ARTIFACT AND ITS RETURN TO THE MISTY ISLES!

NATHAN DRAGS THE MAN TO BUKOTA. THE STRANGER TREMBLES AT THE SIGHT OF THE ABSABAN: "YOU! YOU ARE OF THE PEOPLE WHO GUARD SOLOMON'S IMPRISONED DUNN! ANOTHER SIGN!"

THE OLD MAN'S KNOWLEDGE SEEMS PRESCIENT - AND OF ENOUGH POSSIBLE IMPORT TO WARRANT A TRIP TO THE CHAMBER WHERE GURRYAN STILL CLINGS TO THE ARTIFACT WHILE QUESTIONED BY VAL AND KAREN.

GURRYAN, DESPITE ALL PERSUASION AND THREATS, HAS STUBBORNLY REFUSED TO DIVULGE ANY INFORMATION ABOUT THE TERRIBLE THING THAT HE GUARDS SO LOYALLY FOR HIS MASTER, GIOVANNI...

...UNTIL THE AGITATED STRANGER GESTURES WILDLY AT THE ARTIFACT:

"IT IS THE TALISMAN! THE SOUL OF ASIA! IT HAS RETURNED TO THE MISTY ISLES! GIOVANNI SENDS A MESSAGE THROUGH ME - NOW! NOW IS THE TIME!"

GURRYAN RISES AND FINALLY SPEAKS! "AT LAST!"

NEXT: Gurryan's story

GRIN and BEAR IT

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ANTIQUES SALE

"This dates back to one of the early Antiques Roadshows!"

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Arm is raised. 2. Poster is smaller. 3. Weight is missing. 4. Cap is reversed. 5. Line in sidewalk is moved. 6. Leg is moved.

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

I DON'T THINK YOU UNDERSTAND. WHEN IT COMES TO TEAM BUILDING YOU ARE NOT THE COACH BUT MORE A BACKUP WATERBOY.



Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas

RUNNING WITH THE BULLS, PAMPLONA, SPAIN

POWER WALKING WITH THE BICHONS, PALM BEACH, FLORIDA

Obituaries

Frances White (née Wick)

May 22, 1947 – August 1, 2026



Frances White (née Wick), 79, of Charleston, Oregon, passed away peacefully on August 1, 2026, in Charleston, surrounded by her children. Born Frances Wick on May 22, 1947, in Astoria, Oregon, to Melvin T. Wick and Margaret L. Skow, she grew up in a large family on the Oregon coast. She spent most of her adult life in the Coos Bay/Charleston area and retired from Bay Area Hospital in 2009 after more than 20 years of service. Frances was the proud mother of Michael John Hovden, James Allen Hovden, Brendan Fergal Murphy, and Siobhan Elizabeth Preston. She was a devoted mother and grandmother who remained deeply connected to her family and the Charleston community. Frances was one of those rare people whose genuine nature was immediately apparent to everyone who knew her. She was kind, sincere, and accepting, and had a way of making people feel welcomed and cared for. Her faith was a central part of her life, and she lived it quietly through the way she treated others. Above all, Frances was deeply devoted to her family. Her children and grandchildren were the center of her world, and the love she had for them was evident in everything she did. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband Gerald “Gerry” White; her brothers Melvin John “Mel” Wick, John Joe Wick, Paul Wick, and Carl Christopher “Chris” Wick; her sister Margaret Ann Wick Sitterson; and her son James Allen “Jimmy” Hovden. She is survived by her

sons Michael John Hovden of Charleston and Brendan Fergal Murphy (Iva) of Normandy Park, Washington; her daughter Siobhan Elizabeth Preston (Nick) of North Bend; her grandchildren Alexandria, Hannah, and Ellie Hovden; Finley, Elliott, and Merrick Preston; and Ruairi Murphy; her sisters Kathleen Hoeger of Independence, Iowa, and Bridget Sorensen of North Plains, Oregon; and many nieces, nephews, and extended family. A funeral Mass will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 22, 2026, at Saint Monica’s Church 357 S. 6th St. Coos Bay. A celebration of life will follow from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Coos History Museum 1210 N. Front St. Coos Bay. Cremation rites and inurnment will be held at Ocean View Memory Gardens, Coos Bay under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel 685 Anderson Ave. 541-267-3131. www.coos-bayareafunerals.com

John Lyman Gamble

December 28, 1939 — August 11, 2026



John Lyman Gamble, a resident of Bandon, Oregon, passed away on August 11, 2026, at the age of 86. He was born December 28, 1939, in Portland, Oregon, to Harry L. and Aloma D. Gamble, and spent nearly his entire life rooted in the coastal town he loved and helped shape. He is survived by his wife, Rachelle “Chele” Gamble. John graduated from Bandon High School, where he served as Senior Class President for the class of 1958, and went on to earn his degree from the Oregon Technical Institute in Klamath Falls. Over the course of his working life, John tried his hand at a striking range of occupations. He got his start at the Multnomah Falls Restaurant, and later worked as a technical writer for Hewlett-Packard, repaired televisions, and served as a 911 dispatcher for the Coos County Sheriff’s Department. Whatever the job, he brought the same curiosity and steady hand to it. His curiosity and talent extended well beyond his career. John was a ham radio operator, computer enthusiast, avid reader, photographer, genealogist, and an amazing bread baker. John’s commitment to Bandon ran deep. He served as a member of the Bandon City Council and, for many years, volunteered with the Bandon Historical Society, including a term on its board and a stint as Treasurer. Perhaps his proudest civic achievement with the society was spearheading the Bandon Sister City

partnership, a project that took him on a memorable trip to Bandon, Ireland — which became one of his favorite corners of the world. His travels also carried him throughout Europe and the Caribbean, always eager to see a little more of the world before coming home. Home, in the end, was where John’s heart truly lived. He and Chele built their dream house not once but twice — beginning with a geodesic dome and later perfecting the vision on an ocean view lot nearby. Those who knew John remember him as a great conversationalist who never met a stranger. He always had something interesting to say, and he had a gift for making everyone he spoke with feel better for having met him. Per John’s wishes, no service will be held. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in his name to the Bandon Historical Society.

Maureen Renee Bergman

April 4, 1946 – August 9, 2026



Maureen Renee Bergman, born on April 4, 1946, in Myrtle Point, Oregon, passed away on August 9, 2026 at Pacific View Assisted Living in Bandon, Oregon. After graduating from

Myrtle Point High School in 1964, Maureen chose a career in hairstyling. She attended Skelton Beauty Academy in Coos Bay, Oregon, graduating in June 1966. In 1978, she started her own salon business in Coos County, operating “hair’s in” and “Maureen’s Needle Art” for 33 years. Throughout her hairstyling career, she excelled, winning various awards in competitions, including the prestigious Darwin Jones Award for Artist Hairstyling. Maureen was deeply involved in her community, serving on the Myrtle Point City Council and as

a member of Myrtle Point First Christian Church. Maureen is survived by her son, Joshua John Bergman and her sisters, Sherron Shelton and Sherril Talley. A memorial service to celebrate Maureen’s life will be held at 11am, Friday, August 21 at Myrtle Point First Christian Church, 511 6th Street in Myrtle Point. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131. Family and friends are invited to sign the online guestbook at www.coosbayareafunerals.com

Steven Charles Kaufmann

August 21, 1952 - July 23, 2026



It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Steven Charles Kaufmann of Reedsport, who left this world on July 23, 2026, at the age of 73. Born on August 21, 1952, in the serene town of Coos Bay, Steven was the beloved oldest son of Heinz Kaufmann and Louise Hurt. His journey through life was marked by love, laughter, and an unyielding dedication to his family and community. Steven grew up in a bustling household, sharing countless adventures with his siblings. He was predeceased by his father, Heinz, his stepmom, Diane, his sister Susan Stump, his brothers Gary and Richard Kaufmann, and his nephew Ryan Kaufmann. He is lovingly remembered by his surviving brothers Ron, Jeff Kaufmann and Charles Hurt-his sister Kari Mann, and his nephews Chris Kaufmann and Ryley Mann. His nieces, Jessica Stump, Ashton Rodrigue, and Lacey Porter, and many great nieces and nephews who also carry forward his legacy of kindness and humor. A proud alumnus of Reedsport High School, Class of 1972, Steven went on to serve his country with honor in the U.S. Army from 1972 to 1974. After his military service, he worked alongside his father Heinz as a skilled carpenter at Kaufmann Homes, where he honed his craft and built not just structures, but a community of friendships and trust. Steven’s life was rich with passions and pursuits.

An avid gun collector, he found joy in range shooting and attending gun shows. He cherished the moments spent traveling to visit family, and his heart found peace at the family cabin at Loon Lake. Known for his quick wit and constant jokes, Steven had an innate ability to bring smiles and laughter to those around him. He was always ready to lend a helping hand, never shying away from a project or a challenge, embodying a spirit of generosity and warmth. A private ceremony will be held to honor Steven’s life, reflecting his personal wishes for an intimate farewell. Steven Charles Kaufmann will be dearly missed but forever remembered for his vibrant spirit and the love he shared with all who knew him. His memory will continue to inspire and uplift us, reminding us of the importance of family, friendship, and a well-lived life.

Death Notices

James “Jim” K. Hill Sr., 68, of Coos Bay died August 9, 2026 in Coos Bay. Services will be

announced and held at a later date. Cremation rites will be held at Ocean View Memory Gardens Cre-

matory, Coos Bay under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel 685 Anderson Ave. 541-267-3131. www.coos-bayareafunerals.com

Susan H. Moore, 86, of North Bend died August 10, 2026 in North Bend. Cremation rites have been held at Ocean View Memory Gardens Crematory, Coos Bay under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel 685 Anderson Ave. 541-267-3131. www.coos-bayareafunerals.com

Fred A. Cozad Jr., 79, of Coos Bay, passed away on August 8, 2026 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

Deborah L. Larsen, 73,

of Coos Bay died August 8, 2026 in Portland. Services will be announced and held at a later date under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel 685 Anderson Ave. 541-267-3131. www.coos-bayareafunerals.com

Beverley “Bev” J. Rossback, 78, of Lakeside, passed away on August 6, 2026 in Portland. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

John Lyman Gamble,

86, of Bandon, died August 11, 2026 in Bandon. Arrangements are under the direction of Amling Schroeder Funeral Service, Bandon.

Elma Louise “Dusty” Hall, 92, of Coos Bay, passed away August 10, 2026 at Coos Bay. Burial arrangements under the direction of Nelson’s Bay Area Mortuary, Coos Bay, 541 267-4216.

Sally Ann Curtis, 93, of North Bend, passed

away August 6, 2026 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 www.coosbayareafunerals.com

Patricia Ann Brown, 86, of Coos Bay, passed away August 7, 2026 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 www.coosbayareafunerals.com

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Service Notices

A Funeral Mass for Frances White, 79, of Coos Bay who died August 1, 2026 in Coos Bay will be held Saturday, August 22, 2026 at 11 a.m. at St. Monica Catholic

Church 357 S. 6th St. Coos Bay. Cremation rites and inurnment will be held at Ocean View Memory Gardens, Coos Bay under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel 685 Anderson Ave.

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A memorial service for Virginia Marcella Hall, 84, of Coos Bay, will be held at 1pm, Saturday, August

22 at Coos Bay Chapel, 685 Anderson Avenue in Coos Bay. Friends and family are invited to sign the online guestbook at www.coosbayareafunerals.com

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‘It’s the unknown that is concerning to us’

JEREMY C. RUARK
Country Media

While the majority of the summer wildfires in Oregon have been on the east side of the Cascades, continued hot, dry weather, drought conditions, and the threat of lightning, will heighten the fire danger in Western Oregon, including Lane County.

“It is the unknown that is concerning to us,” South Lane County Fire & Rescue (SLCFR) Deputy Chief Justin Baird said. “It’s hot and dry and we have not had any moisture for a long time, so as we get into late summer, dry lighting starts to come in and that will be a concern.”

The lack of snowpack over the winter and the continued dry conditions locally combined with east winds that likely occur in late summer are the driving actors that Baird said are heightening the wildfire danger.

“Those east wind events, where the wind is coming of the high desert, and the winds can pick up burning embers,” he said. “That’s what causes these big fires. High heat, low humidity, and a strong wind. The embers are thrown ahead of the fire.”

Resources to battle wildfires are also of concern to local firefighters.

“Resources across the state are pretty thin right now, because there are a lot of fires throughout the state of Oregon” Baird said. “We are still at our normal capacity as far as response goes.”

SLCFR also has partnership agreements for mutual aid from surrounding districts including the Oregon Department of Forestry.

Baid emphasized that residents and visitors to the area need to know the evacuation levels in the case of a wildfire.

‘People need to pay attention to the evacuation levels and have personal belongings and valuables packed up that are easy to grab when there is an evacuation alert, especially if you live closer to the edge of the forest,” he said.

Baird also cautions the public about knowing the safest route out of an area when a wildfire occurs.

“Lane County Sheriff’s Office Search and Rescue provides route maps for the safest places to go when there is an evacuation order, so we work hand-in-hand with LCSO when it comes to evacuations,” he said.

Often, when there is a major emergency, such as a wildfire, traffic away from the danger zone can be hectic and congested.



Courtesy from the Oregon department of Forestry

The Wasco County Grasshopper Fire on Wednesday, Aug. 13, reached 83,642 acres. At that time, the fire was 20 percent contained with 1,832 personnel assigned to the incident.

“Be patient,” Baird said. Be aware of your surroundings and know what’s going on. Just being informed and being aware in the big thing.”

Baird also recommends property owners take steps to protect their property from wildfires by keeping lawns well-watered and removing overgrown brush. More prevention information can be found at the Oregon State Fire marshal’s website.

The Oregon Department of Emergency Management (OEM) urges everyone to prepare for wildfires and other emergencies by knowing evacuation levels, staying informed, having a plan, and having a go-kit ready.

The Oregon Evacuation Levels

- Oregon follows a three-level evacuation notification system, each structured around safety threat level. Be Ready. Be Set. Go Now.
 - Oregonians should become familiar with “Be Ready, Be Set, Go!” evaluation levels to make informed decisions when receiving evacuation notices.
 - OEM urges people to evacuate whenever they feel unsafe, conditions can change rapidly; individuals should always make the best decision for their safety.
 - Following evacuation, people should not return to the area until public safety officials state it is safe.
- Oregon has set a historic high number of acres burned during the 2026 summer wildfire season at 2.3 million acres.

Community CALENDAR

SEARCH OF ALBACORE TUNA. WHETHER YOU’RE A SEASONED ANGLER OR SOMEONE WHO’S ALWAYS WANTED TO TRY OCEAN FISHING, YOU’LL BE IN GOOD HANDS WITH EXPERIENCED, LICENSED GUIDES WHO ACTUALLY WANT YOU TO CATCH FISH. BRING YOUR SENSE OF ADVENTURE, YOUR SEA LEGS, AND YOUR APPETITE FOR A SERIOUSLY GOOD DAY ON THE WATER. FISHING GEAR IS INCLUDED. SPACES ARE LIMITED

BRAWL ON THE BAY AT KO-KWEL CASINO RESORT AUGUST 22, DOORS OPEN 4:00 PM KO-KWEL CASINO RESORT THE COQUILLE ATHLETIC COMMISSION PRESENTS THE FOURTH BRAWL ON THE BAY AT KO-KWEL CASINO RESORT IN COOS BAY SATURDAY, AUGUST 22 FROM 5:00 - 7:00 PM ON THE NORTH DOCK. GATES OPEN AT 4:00. THIS IS A 21 & UP EVENT. EXPERIENCE AN EXCITING EVENING OF LIVE MMA WITH STUNNING WATERFRONT VIEWS. LIMITED TICKETS GO ON SALE JULY 24, 2026, AT KO-KWEL GIFTS. GENERAL ADMISSION IS \$35, MIDDLE SECTION SEATING IS \$55, RING-SIDE SEATING IS \$85, AND AN EXCLUSIVE VIP TABLE IS \$800.

WILDER FRETS: CLASSICAL GUITAR IN THE WILDERNESS AUGUST 25 - AUGUST 26, 2026 JOIN AWARD-WINNING CLASSICAL GUITAR VIRTUOSO AND ARTISTIC DIRECTOR TYE AUSTIN FOR AN EVENING OF BEAUTIFUL SPANISH AND LATIN AMERICAN GUITAR

MUSIC AT SHORE ACRES STATE PARK ON AUGUST 25–26 AT 5:30 PM. SEATING BEGINS AT 4:30 PM. WILDER FRETS TRANSFORMS OREGON’S BREATHTAKING NATURAL LANDSCAPES INTO UNFORGETTABLE OUTDOOR CONCERT VENUES, BRINGING WORLD-CLASS MUSIC BEYOND THE TRADITIONAL CONCERT HALL.

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

IN A LANDSCAPE: CLASSICAL MUSIC CONCERT AT SHORE ACRES STATE PARK AUGUST 29 – 5:00 PM IN A LANDSCAPE BRINGS A 9-FOOT STEINWAY GRAND PIANO ON A FLATBED TRAILER TO NATIONAL & STATE PARKS, URBAN GREENSPACES, WORKING RANCHES, FARMS, AND HISTORICAL SITES FOR CLASSICAL MUSIC CONCERTS THAT CONNECT PEOPLE WITH EACH LANDSCAPE. TO MEET THE ACOUSTICAL CHALLENGES OF PER-

FORMING IN THE WILD, MUSIC IS TRANSMITTED TO CONCERT-GOERS VIA WIRELESS HEADPHONES. NO LONGER CONFINED TO SEATS, CONCERT GOERS CAN EXPLORE THE LANDSCAPE, WANDER THROUGH THE SHORE ACRES GARDEN, LIE IN SUNNY MEADOWS, AND ROAM ALONG THE RUGGED CLIFFS.

MUSIC ON THE BAY - THE DRUNKEN HEARTS SEPTEMBER 3 MINGUS PARK

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

COOS BAY DOWNTOWN WINE WALK - FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH SEPTEMBER 4, 5:00 PM COOS BAY VISITORS CENTER YOU DON’T NEED TO BE SOPHISTICATED TO ENJOY THE COOS BAY WINE WALK... JUST COME, HAVE FUN, AND SUPPORT A GREAT CAUSE! THE FUN STARTS AT 5 P.M. AT THE COOS BAY VISITOR CENTER, 50 CENTRAL AVENUE; OR CHECKERBERRY’S FLOWERS & GIFTS AT COOS BAY VILLAGE FROM FEBRUARY

- DECEMBER. MAKE A \$10 DONATION AND GET A COMMEMORATIVE WINE GLASS (WHILE SUPPLIES LAST), WRISTBAND, AND THE MAP OF PARTICIPATING BUSINESSES. THIS IS A COOS BAY-NORTH BEND ROTARY CLUB FUNDRAISER WITH PROCEEDS BENEFITTING A DIFFERENT NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION EACH MONTH.

MUSIC ON THE BAY - J & THE CAUSEWAYS SEPTEMBER 10, 7:00 PM MINGUS PARK AMPHITHEATER NEW ORLEANS SOUL/R&B POWERHOUSE ENSEMBLE J & THE CAUSEWAYS COME TO THE MINGUS PARK AMPHITHEATER AS PART OF MUSIC ON THE BAY’S SIX FREE CONCERT SERIES. THE FIFTH CONCERT OF THE SERIES BRINGS FUNKY SOUL AND R&B TO THE MINGUS PARK STAGE. COME WITH YOUR CHAIRS, A BLANKET, AND SOME PICNIC FOOD TO SOAK IN THE LOVELY ATMOSPHERE AND ENJOY AN EVENING FILLED WITH OUTSTANDING MUSIC. CONCERT BEGINS AT 7PM.

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

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

MUSIC ON THE BAY - THE NIKKI JONES BAND SEPTEMBER 17, 7:00 PM MINGUS PARK AMPHITHEATRE THE NIKKI JONES BAND WILL PERFORM THEIR FUSION OF ROCK, BLUES, FUNK AND SOUL MUSIC AT THE MINGUS PARK AMPHITHEATER AS PART OF MUSIC ON THE BAY’S COMPLIMENTARY CONCERT SERIES. THE SIXTH AND FINAL EVENT FEATURES THE 2025 MUDDY AWARD WINNER FOR BEST NEW ARTIST. ATTENDEES ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING CHAIRS, BLANKETS, AND PICNIC PROVISIONS TO ENJOY THE PLEASANT SURROUNDINGS AND EXPERIENCE AN EVENING OF EXCEPTIONAL MUSIC. CONCERT BEGINS AT 7PM.

THE LIBERTY THEATRE: THE CURIOUS INCIDENT OF THE DOG IN THE NIGHT-TIME SEPTEMBER 18-27, 7:00 PM, MATINEES @ 2:00 PM LIBERTY THEATRE, 2100 SHERMAN AVE, NORTH BEND THE CURIOUS INCIDENT

OF THE DOG IN THE NIGHT-TIME IS A CAPTIVATING MYSTERY THAT FOLLOWS A BRILLIANT YOUNG MAN ON AN UNEXPECTED JOURNEY AFTER THE DEATH OF A NEIGHBOR’S DOG. FILLED WITH HUMOR, HEART, AND SURPRISING DISCOVERIES, THIS ACCLAIMED PLAY OFFERS A UNIQUE LOOK AT FAMILY, COURAGE, AND SEEING THE WORLD THROUGH DIFFERENT EYES. PRESENTED BY LIBERTY THEATRE ON THE BAY, PERFORMANCES ARE SEPTEMBER 18, 19, 25 AND 26 AT 7:00 PM, SEPTEMBER 20 AND 27 AT 2:00 PM. TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE.

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