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Coquille School District hires interim super

By **DEAN BRICKEY**
For The World

COQUILLE — The Coquille School District has an interim superintendent, but he's no stranger to the staff or to the community.

The school board has promoted Jeff Philley from assistant superintendent to the top job on an interim basis while it seeks a replacement for Wayne Gallagher, who retired at the end of June.



Jeff Philley

"It was a year earlier than he had originally planned," said Melinda Millet, school board chair, "but it worked out for him and his family that he could do so earlier than he had originally thought."

Millet said Gallagher "would not have left if we didn't have a good candidate for interim superintendent, which we did, Jeff Philley."

Philley, 53, was born in Coquille, and is a graduate of Coquille schools.

"I had great teachers and great coaches," he said, "and after high school, I went to Oregon State and also Western Oregon University."

Philley worked in mills to put himself through college. He earned his teaching certificate, but continued working in the lumber industry and in manufacturing for a dozen years.

"At one point, a company that I worked for actually sponsored me to go back to get my master's degree in business administration," he said, noting that he was working in Lane County. "I did that, and I kept working in that industry for a while."

Eventually, in 2007, Philley felt the call home, and a desire to work with students.

"And so, I changed careers and got my first teaching job in Sutherlin, teaching junior high math... teaching and coaching," he said. "I coached three sports and just had a great experience."

While there, Philley returned to college work in his spare time, earning his administrative certificate.

"And then a job posting came up back here in Coquille," he said. "I hadn't lived here since high school. I applied ... and got a job here as vice principal in Coquille in 2010. And I've been here since."

His career with the Coquille School District No. 8 began that year as vice principal at Coquille Valley Elementary.

During his tenure he's also been athletic director, special education director, then Coquille High School principal for 10 years. For the past two years he's been the assistant superintendent.

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North Bend Mayoral Candidates address the business community at recent forum

By **NATE SCHWARTZ**
Editor

Candidate forums continued at the Bay Area Chamber of Commerce's (BACC) Business Connection Luncheons on Wednesday September 30, 2026. This week, the chamber hosted current North Bend Mayor Jessica Engelke, who hopes to win her fourth Mayoral election bid against challenger Harry Haines VII.

A North Bend Native, Engleke got her first glimpse of work at City Hall after serving as North Bend's July Jubilee Princess in 1990. In her time since returning to North Bend following stints outside the state, Engelke has served on a number of local board ahead of her election to the North Bend city Council in 2018. That includes a period as BACC President. As a tenured business professor at SWOCC, Engelke maintains strong ties to the local business community.

Haines will once again be challenging for the roll after an unsuccessful bid in 2024. Born in the area, Haines would return in the early 90's and has worn many hats as a truck driver, heavy equipment operator, before landing in his current role with Ziply Fiber. He stated he'd like to see the City move in a different direction, with an emphasis on running the city like a business.

Both addressed their priorities in their opening statements, with Haines taking the mic first.

"I have different ideas of where I think [North Bend] should be going, and how it should be done... I love this area, I love this town, and I want it to be something my kids and grandkids can live in and be a great place for them, so that they don't have to leave and find a job somewhere else... My wife of 35 years said, 'You've complained about it. Why don't people work on the problem instead of complaining about it'. So, its time for me to quit complaining and do something," opened Haines.

Engelke agreed with the sentiment and echoed 'Don't complain, contribute,' before her opening statement.

"I often say that the num-



NB Mayors Forum: Current North Bend Mayor Jessica Engelke (l) addresses the Bay Area Chamber of Commerce alongside her challenger Harry Haines VII (r), during their forum at Ko-Kwel Casino Resort on September 30, 2026.

bers tell the story and North Bend's numbers tell a huge story of progress, partnerships and bringing outside resources back to the community. Many of you are already familiar with the constraints that the state has put on us... Instead of allowing those limitations to stop progress, our staff went to work to find solutions, to bring in outside resources and money. In the last 6 years, North Bend has secured nearly \$17 million in outside grant funding. To put that simply, we brought in almost a dollar in grants for every dollar our taxpayers paid in taxes," said Engelke.

BACC Legislative Action Committee Chair Ron Kutch once again penned questions for the candidates and hosted the event. His first question was the standard question of why do you want, and what qualifies you for, the role?

Engelke made two main points, her desire to continue the momentum she feels at City Hall, and her confidence in the relationships she's built with stakeholders and legislators. Engelke sees herself as a voice for rural Oregonian towns and intends for that voice to be loud in

the ears of the State and Federal delegations.

Haines lamented that the City is not being run enough as a business, and claimed that the budget is mismanaged. He pointed to City Manager David Milliron's salary being overinflated and emphasized that the City should cut down on its staff and payroll for the sake of efficiency.

Kutch moved on to ask about economic revitalization and support for small businesses.

Haines advocated for shifting focus to businesses outside of the main Highway 101 and Virginia corridors. He went on to address the aging sewer system, stating that we should think twice about expanding housing.

Engelke spoke to the City's budgetary constraints under the context that economic revitalization is one of the only paths toward developing a stronger tax base and improve funding. She spoke highly of the Urban Renewal Agency taking dilapidated properties that lack interest from private developers and abating them for productive use in the future.

Kutch's next question was on housing and the unhoused.

"Housing is not just a North

Bend issue, it's a nationwide issue, and remains one of the top challenges. When we speak about housing, I always like to make sure that we are talking about the full range. We need to make sure that we have workforce housing... How many people here knew somebody that moved to town and had to stay in a trailer for a few months because they could find housing? All of us," said Engelke who went on to address the opposite side of that coin, homelessness.

"The state has put upon us some incredible constraints as to what we are supposed to do in a town that is 2.2 square miles. We are mandated by the state to come up with a place for people to camp. Given no money, no resources and expected to provide bathrooms, trash, and all of that. So, whenever I see these state legislators, I make sure that they know we want a County-wide solution."

Haines took a different angle on the issue.

"I think we need to allow the other towns around us to supply the housing, instead of us sup-

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Eva Varga named South Coast Regional Teacher of the Year

Staff Report

The Oregon Department of Education (ODE), in partnership with the Oregon Lottery, announced Eva Varga as one of Oregon's 17 Regional Teachers of the Year for 2026-27. Varga teaches English Language Development in the North Bend School District.

Every day in Oregon classrooms, teachers offer their innovation, energy and content mastery in support of students across the state. The Oregon Teacher of the Year Program recognizes and honors teacher excellence, with the state Teacher of the Year serving as the face and voice of exemplary educators across Oregon. Candidates for Oregon Teacher of the Year are exceptionally dedicated, knowledgeable and skilled licensed public school educators in grades pre-K-12.

Varga was nominated by a colleague who noted, "Her impact



Courtesy photo

Eva Varga as one of Oregon's 17 Regional Teachers of the Year for 2026-27. Varga teaches English Language Development in the North Bend School District.

extends well beyond a single classroom. As the district's [English Language Learner] program lead, she partners with teachers to embed effective language development practices across subject areas and grade levels,

ensuring multilingual learners are supported in every learning environment."

"Ultimately, my classroom reflects my commitment to honoring students' linguistic assets, fostering deep understanding,

and ensuring that every learner has the opportunity to succeed," Varga stated in her nomination. "By intentionally designing opportunities for collaboration among students, families, and colleagues, I work to create a classroom and school environment where every student feels seen, valued, and capable of success."

Regional Teachers of the Year are nominated by students, colleagues, administrators, friends or family members. Regional winners were identified through a local nomination, application and selection process facilitated by the 19 Education Service Districts around the state. Applicants submitted testimonials and letters of support and were assessed by a diverse panel of regional representatives on the attributes of leadership, instructional

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Chamber Minute

BY ROSEY THOMAS
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In for another Chamber Minute is Rosey. Last week your Chamber team was out learning, connecting and building relationships that will come back home to benefit our business community. Jolene was in Baltimore, Maryland, learning more about workforce partnerships between Chambers and Community Colleges—knowledge we hope will strengthen our partnership with Southwestern Oregon Community College and help build a stronger workforce for our region.

Our Chamber is also represented at the State Chamber Ambassador Conference in Florence, October 1–3, while I’ll be in Salem with the Oregon State Chamber for their annual Leadership Confer-



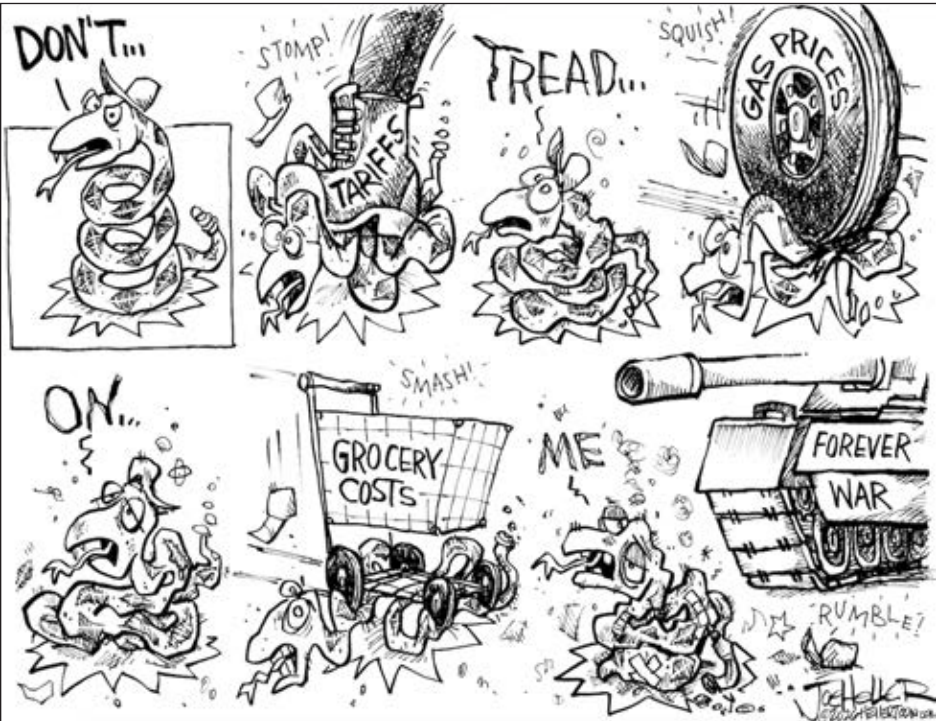
ence. We may be a little spread out during this week, but we are working to bring home new ideas, new connections and new momentum—because our business is helping your business. And that work doesn’t happen with Chamber staff alone. Volunteers from businesses throughout our community give their time and expertise through committees focused on Education & Workforce, Business Development & Support, Legislative

Action, Transportation, Ambassadors and more. One of the most important things your Chamber does is convene people—bringing together those who care about our community and giving them an opportunity to put their experience, passion and ideas to work. We champion business, keep our members informed, and create opportunities for people to make a difference.

There is a place for you at the Chamber table. Whether you have an hour to give, an idea to share, or a passion for making our community stronger, we would love to have you involved.

And don’t forget to check out “Taste of Tuscany: A Trip to Italy”—a fun way to support your local Chamber while experiencing Italy!

Learn more at oregons-bayarea.org.



Holy Cow! History

The Central Park Cannon’s Secret

By J. MARK POWELL
InsideSources.com

They’re common from The Battery in Charleston, S.C., to Seattle’s Hamlin Park: Military relics retired to public places such as county courthouses and public parks to commemorate America’s wartime history.

One such antique artillery piece stood silent guard in the Big Apple for almost 100 years. And the whole time, it held a hidden secret no one knew. How the cannon wound up there is as fascinating as the story’s surprise ending. And it all started with a bad decision.

After George Washington’s army was driven out of New York late in the summer of 1776, the British set about defending the place. One elevated spot in particular caught their eye: a commanding hill situated near today’s northeastern corner of Central Park, close to modern East 107th Street and Fifth Avenue. There they dug in. If Washington and his men ever returned, the Redcoats would be ready. However, the British never needed those hilltop defenses.

Still, a wartime incident became a key part of our story.

On Nov. 23, 1780, as Capt. Charles Pole tried to sail the 28-gun HMS Hussar out of the East River, but he made a bad blunder. A really bad blunder, in fact. He tried to take a shortcut through a stretch of water so treacherous it was called Hell Gate,



a lane of ominous jagged rocks and dangerous currents.

Sure enough, the Hussar slammed straight into one formation so big it had its own name, Pot Rock. She sank 96 feet into the water. Rumors soon began circulating that something else went to the bottom, too. (More on that in a moment.)

Fast-forward 30 years, when the young country was at war with Great Britain once again. In August 1814, British troops landed in Maryland, easily brushed aside a ragtag American army, and leisurely set about burning the White House, the Capitol and other public buildings in Washington.

When word of the tragedy reached New York, the populace panicked, fearing they might be next. Men set about erecting defenses. They went to the old, long-abandoned Revolutionary War fortification and furiously began making it even bigger and stronger. They also gave it a new name: Fort Clinton, in honor of DeWitt Clinton, the city’s mayor at the time.

It was all for naught.

The British never showed up. However, tales about that sunken British warship never went away.

When the Hussar set sail in 1780, she was rumored to be carrying the British army’s payroll, allegedly somewhere between \$2 million and \$4 million in gold.

As early as 1810, adventurers used diving bells trying to reach the wreckage. In the 1850s, one man salvaged two of the Hussar’s cast-iron cannons, already almost a century old. In 1865, they were donated to a museum in Central Park — until a faulty fireplace burned it down on Jan. 2, 1881.

The cannons disappeared for nearly 25 years. They eventually turned up in overgrown brush in 1905. Although Fort Clinton was long gone, the two barrels were mounted in the park where it had stood. For the next 70 years, people played, picnicked and had their photos taken standing beside them.

By the 1970s, time had taken its toll on the silent warriors. Their barrels were covered in graffiti, pollution and dirt. So they took them down and placed them in storage. By the 21st century, park officials decided it was time to restore the relics and put them back on public display.

And then it happened. What came next made workers’ jaws drop.

In January 2013, inside one cannon barrel, they

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Library Column

The Coos Bay Public Library is hosting a photo contest

By JENNY BROWNFIELD and EMILY CHURCH
Coos Bay Public Library

Ready to share your favorite snapshots this November? Consider participating in Coos Bay Library’s FREE Amateur Photo Contest! Our regulars know we love displaying community members’ art on our gallery wall throughout the year, and this fall we want to display yours! Amateur photographers are invited to submit up to 2 photographs that speak to the theme “Worth a Thousand Words.” What do we mean? The library is a treasure trove of stories, and we want a photo that tells one! Your story might be about a fun outing, a glimpse of wild life, or a quirky roadside attraction, just to name a few examples.

Ready for the rules? Submitted works must be your original, unpublished work that has never been sold. It should have minimal editing (formatting, lighting, and correction only) and use no AI. All work must be submitted as a 5x7 or 8x10 print with your name and contact information written on the

back. Photos can be taken anywhere but must be appropriate for public display and shared with the consent of anyone prominently pictured.

To enter, fill out a contest form (available at the front desk at Coos Bay Library) and include it with your photograph, which can also be turned in at the front desk. All entries must be submitted between October 15-30 during the library’s operating hours. Do NOT place your entry in the book drop!

Each patron may submit up to 2 photos, which will be hung on our gallery wall during the month of November. Judging will take place from November 2-14 with winners announced on November 20. We’ll be selecting three winners each from three categories based on age: Adult (18+), Teen (13-18), and Children (7-12). Three winners will be recognized in each age group: People’s Choice Award, Most Creative, and Best in Show.

Each photo will be judged for impact, composition, quality of lighting, and representation of the contest theme. The People’s Choice

Award will be determined by patron votes, and the other categories will be determined by library staff.

Winning photographers will be contacted and may collect their prizes after Nov 30. All photographs remain the property of the photographer but may be used for promotional purposes by the library. Photographers may pick up their photographs at the circulation desk between December 1-11 during normal business hours. After this time, they will be discarded.

There will be a fourth, unjudged category for Happy Snappers (age 3-6). This will be an opportunity for our youngest photographers to showcase their first photos without the pressure of being judged. These photos should be submitted under the same rules and procedures as photos from the other categories.

So, if you or someone you know loves to snap photos, consider entering them in the CBPL photo contest. We want to highlight your talents! For more information or questions, please contact the Coos Bay Public Library.

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Police Blotter

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

- **Coos Bay**
- **September 24**
- 6:40 am, S Cammann St, hit and run.
- 8:40 am, NW Pleasant St, warrant service.
- 8:41 am, E Johnson Ave, criminal trespass.
- 9:15 am, Anderson Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 9:17 am, Anderson and 5th, disorderly conduct.
- 10:15 am, S Broadway St, criminal trespass.
- 10:40 am, Ocean and Woodland, accident.
- 11:11 am, S 1st St, criminal trespass.
- 12:36 pm, SE Ocean Blvd, criminal trespass.
- 1:43 pm, S 7th St, shoplifting.
- 3:34 pm, S 1st St, disorderly conduct.
- 3:41 pm, Anderson Ave, warrant service.
- 4:03 pm, S Cammann St, theft.
- 4:52 pm, S Broadway St, theft from vehicle.
- 5:26 pm, Johnson and Broadway, disorderly conduct.
- 6:43 pm, S 1st St, shoplifting.
- 7:29 pm, E Hall Ave, theft of services.
- 7:29 pm, S 1st St, theft of services.
- 7:49 pm, S 4th St, criminal trespass.
- 8:23 pm, Woods Behind Lindy Ln, criminal trespass.
- 11:53 pm, E Hall Ave, criminal trespass.
- 11:56 pm, Empire Boat Docks, criminal trespass.
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- 3:50 am, Anderson Ave, criminal trespass.
- 4:01 am, S 7th St, disorderly conduct.
- 6:24 am, Hwy 101, criminal trespass.
- 7:46 am, Thomas Ave, non-injury accident.
- 8:10 am, N 14th St, criminal trespass.
- 8:30 am, S 1st St Ter, criminal trespass.
- 9:01 am, Southwest Blvd, dispute, family.
- 9:26 am, Laclair St, harassment.
- 9:36 am, Central Ave, criminal trespass.
- 11:28 am, Anderson Ave, harassment.
- 12:00 pm, S 2nd St, harassment.
- 12:07 pm, Newmark Ave, theft.
- 12:54 pm, Marshfield High School, juvenile problem.
- 2:12 pm, N Bayshore Dr, theft.
- 2:57 pm, S 2nd St, hit and run.
- 2:59 pm, Newmark Ave, dispute, neighbor.
- 3:07 pm, Colvin St, warrant service.
- 3:14 pm, S 7th St, warrant service.
- 3:17 pm, Central Ave, criminal trespass.
- 3:19 pm, E Johnson Ave, criminal trespass.
- 3:36 pm, S 28th Ct, harassment.
- 3:42 pm, Vine Ave, unauthorized use of vehicle.
- 4:36 pm, SE East Devils Lake Rd, warrant service.
- 5:05 pm, Golden Ave, dispute.
- 8:16 pm, N Cammann St,

- warrant service.
- 8:56 pm, Ocean Blvd, criminal trespass.
- 9:50 pm, S 1st St Ter, probation violation.
- 11:52 pm, E Johnson Ave, dispute.
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- **September 26**
- 1:43 am, Main and Salmon, DUII.
- 5:54 am, S 1st St, assault.
- 6:57 am, S Broadway St, criminal trespass.
- 10:31 am, 8th Ter, criminal trespass.
- 12:58 pm, Ocean and Newmark, DUII.
- 1:16 pm, S Empire Blvd, indecent exposure.
- 4:14 pm, NW Ocean Blvd, dispute.
- 5:48 pm, Oakway Dr, shots fired.
- 5:55 pm, S Front St, theft.
- 6:36 pm, S 28th Ct, theft.
- 8:36 pm, Central Ave, assault.
- 10:18 pm, Nutwood Ave and Koos Bay Blvd, shots fired.
- 11:18 pm, 4th and Golden, disorderly conduct.
- 11:36 pm, Thompson Rd, criminal trespass.
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- **September 27**
- 12:09 am, Thompson Rd, criminal trespass.
- 3:50 am, Blanco Ave, assault.
- 5:17 am, S 1st St Ter, arrest.
- 7:00 am, S 7th St, criminal trespass.
- 7:14 am, 1st and Hall, warrant service.
- 7:34 am, S Broadway, criminal trespass.
- 12:43 pm, NW Ocean Blvd, criminal trespass.
- 1:12 pm, W Park Roadway St, shots fired.
- 2:27 pm, 11th Ave, shots fired.
- 3:09 pm, Evans Blvd, disorderly conduct.
- 3:27 pm, Thompson Rd, disorderly conduct.
- 3:47 pm, Leaf Ter, shots fired.
- 4:31 pm, Ackerman St, theft.
- 5:10 pm, 7th and Anderson, accident.
- 6:37 pm, S Wasson St, dispute.
- 8:20 pm, Cedar Ave, shots fired.
- 8:43 pm, S Empire Blvd, criminal mischief.
- 8:44 pm, E Johnson Ave, criminal trespass.
- 10:31 pm, S 2nd St, burglary.
- 10:31 pm, Newmark Ave, threats.
- 11:08 pm, Oregon Ave, prowler.
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- **September 28**
- 6:55 am, S 1st St, dispute.
- 10:30 am, Empire Lakes, menacing.
- 11:14 am, N Bayshore Dr, dispute.
- 2:04 pm, Lawncridge Loop, dispute.
- 2:21 pm, Central Ave, criminal trespass.
- 3:21 pm, S 9th St, criminal mischief.
- 3:44 pm, S 1st St Ter, dispute.
- 4:17 pm, Central Ave, assault.
- 4:20 pm, Marshall Ave, probation violation.
- 6:15 pm, Newmark Ave and Wasson, accident.
- 6:44 pm, S 10th St, juvenile problem.
- 8:52 pm, Newmark Ave, criminal trespass.
- 11:16 pm, Thompson Rd, shots fired.
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- **September 29**
- 3:34 am, Marshall Ave, probation violation.
- 8:15 am, N Cammann St, warrant service.
- 8:15 am, S 7th St, theft.
- 9:11 am, Central Ave, criminal trespass.
- 11:01 am, Woodland Dr, criminal mischief.
- 11:24 am, Ocean Blvd, threats.
- 2:19 pm, S 6th St, theft.
- 2:32 pm, Newmark Ave, dispute.
- 2:58 pm, S 9th St, violation of restraining order.
- 4:03 pm, Colvin St, warrant service.
- 4:52 pm, S 2nd St, criminal trespass.
- 6:53 pm, Newmark Ave, criminal trespass.
- 7:31 pm, S 1st St, warrant service.
- 7:48 pm, 10th and Anderson Ave, accident.
- 9:33 pm, S Empire Blvd, warrant service.
- 10:39 pm, S Empire Blvd and Pacific Ave, warrant service.
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- **September 30**
- 8:28 am, Central Ave, warrant service.
- 8:48 am, Lakeshore Dr, criminal trespass.
- 8:56 am, W Ingersoll Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 9:13 am, S 2nd St, hit and run.
- 9:13 am, Evans Blvd, criminal trespass.
- 9:17 am, 3rd and Commercial, disorderly conduct.
- 10:07 am, S 4th St, dispute.
- 10:42 am, Rose St, warrant service.
- 1:59 pm, Ingersoll Ave, threats.
- 2:45 pm, S Broadway St, disorderly conduct.
- 3:46 pm, S Morrison St, assault.
- 6:12 pm, Johnson Ave, probation violation.
- 9:40 pm, S Cammann St, dispute.
- 10:21 pm, S Empire and Noble, probation violation.
- 11:33 pm, E Lockhart Ave, criminal trespass.
- October 1
- 4:10 am, Anderson Ave, disorderly conduct.
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- **Coquille**
- **September 24**
- 11:00 am, Noslars Natural Grocery, criminal trespass.
- 2:13 pm, N Dean St, assault.
- 5:03 pm, N Dean St, arrest.
- 9:07 pm, N Baxter St, criminal trespass.
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- **September 25**
- 11:32 am, N Ivy St, criminal trespass.
- 1:10 pm, E 2nd St, harassment.
- 2:50 pm, 1st St E 1st and N Adams, criminal trespass.
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- **September 26**
- 4:53 am, E 1st St, dispute.
- 9:34 am, E 1st St, disorderly conduct.
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- **September 27**
- 10:38 pm, Hwy 42, shots fired.
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- **September 28**
- 11:43 am, 1st and Dean, harassment.
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- **September 29**
- 10:56 am, N Central Blvd, criminal trespass.
- 1:07 pm, N Central Blvd,

- shoplifting.
- 4:27 pm, 4th and Central, disorderly conduct.
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- **September 30**
- 8:45 am, N Folsom St, harassment.
- 9:13 am, N Alder St, hit and run.
- 1:40 pm, N Irving St, unauthorized use of vehicle.
- 1:44 pm, W Central Blvd, warrant service.
- 3:37 pm, Hwy 42, disorderly conduct.
- 5:01 pm, Coquille Riverwalk, theft.
- 6:41 pm, N Elliott St, resist arrest.
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- **Myrtle Point**
- **September 25**
- 10:45 am, 8th St, shoplifting.
- 7:26 pm, Myrtle Crest Ln, hit and run.
- 11:58 pm, Maple St, prowler.
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- **September 27**
- 7:46 pm, Railroad St, prowler.
- 9:47 pm, Maryland Ave, assault, domestic.
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- **September 28**
- 6:43 am, 8th St, criminal trespass.
- 4:56 pm, 5th St, disorderly conduct.
- 5:14 pm, Willow St, harassment.
- 6:28 pm, 8th St, criminal trespass.
- 9:13 pm, Reedsford Rd, dispute, family.
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- **September 29**
- 9:36 am, 19th St, theft.
- 2:20 pm, 8th St, non-injury accident.
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- **September 30**
- 7:08 am, 8th St, shoplifting.
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- **North Bend**
- **September 24**
- 8:03 am, Virginia Ave, theft.
- 9:26 am, Virginia Ave, shoplifting.
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- 10:12 am, Newmark St, harassment, phone.
- 11:51 am, Pacific St, juvenile problem.
- 1:58 pm, Virginia Ave, hit and run.
- 7:32 pm, Monroe Ave, criminal trespass.
- 9:02 pm, Ash St, criminal trespass.
- 10:14 pm, Mcpherson Ave, disorderly conduct.
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- **September 25**
- 3:17 am, Mcpherson St, dispute.
- 9:34 am, Marion Ave, theft.
- 1:35 pm, Broadway Ave, non-injury accident.
- 1:38 pm, Brussels and Lombard, non-injury accident.
- 2:16 pm, Meade St, harassment.
- 3:24 pm, Virginia Ave, juvenile problem.
- 5:07 pm, Virginia and Sheridan, accident.
- 6:33 pm, Virginia Ave, warrant service.
- 7:40 pm, Lincoln St, juvenile problem.
- 8:33 pm, Inland Dr, disorderly conduct.
- 9:51 pm, Meade St, dispute.
- 11:47 pm, Tremont Ave, DUII.
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- **September 26**
- 12:41 am, Public Square Ct, criminal mischief.
- 2:12 am, Newmark St, criminal trespass.
- 2:19 am, Sherman Ave, warrant service.
- 3:00 am, Sherman Ave, theft of bike.
- 10:41 am, Grant St, dispute.
- 10:58 am, 14th St, criminal trespass.
- 1:05 pm, Monroe Ave, theft.
- 3:14 pm, Tremont Ave, harassment, phone.
- 3:23 pm, Florida Ave, harassment.
- 11:36 pm, Thompson Rd, criminal trespass.
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- **September 27**
- 1:42 am, Tremont Ave, violation of restraining order.
- 2:20 am, Mcpherson Ave, dispute.
- 5:10 am, Broadway and Church Of Christ Coel Stark, dispute.
- 2:46 pm, Virginia Ave, juvenile problem.
- 9:32 pm, Virginia Ave, harassment, phone.
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- **September 28**
- 5:25 am, Oconnell St, criminal trespass.
- 7:13 am, 4th St, warrant service.
- 7:54 am, Everett, warrant service.
- 9:06 am, Maine Ave, juvenile problem.
- 3:37 pm, Broadway Ave, warrant service.
- 3:51 pm, Lincoln and Virginia,

- accident.
- 6:48 pm, Marion Ave, criminal trespass.
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- **September 29**
- 6:06 am, Tremont Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 8:11 am, Inland Dr, harassment.
- 8:20 am, Broadway Ave, criminal trespass.
- 8:34 am, Tremont Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 8:40 am, Virginia Ave, criminal trespass.
- 9:16 am, Grant St, harassment.
- 10:38 am, Virginia Ave, theft.
- 11:53 am, Mcpherson and California, theft.
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- **September 30**
- 6:13 am, Laura Ln, criminal mischief.
- 7:13 am, Public Square Ct, criminal trespass.
- 7:58 am, Harbor Ave, theft.
- 8:49 am, Ferry Rd Park and Park Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 11:48 am, Arthur St, harassment, domestic.
- 12:09 pm, State St, stalking.
- 1:17 pm, Virginia Ave, theft.
- 2:56 pm, Viking Ln, juvenile problem.
- 5:10 pm, Madrona and California, dispute, family.
- 7:37 pm, Mcpherson Ave, threats.
- 9:19 pm, Tremont Ave, theft.
- October 1
- 12:44 am, Spruce St, disorderly conduct.
- 12:54 am, Sherman Ave, criminal trespass.
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- **Reedsport**
- **September 27**
- 2:01 am, Master Ct, disturbance.
- 10:41 am, Bowman Rd and Longwood Dr, juvenile problem.
- 4:58 pm, Hawthorne Ave, disturbance.
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- **September 28**
- 8:11 am, Bowman Rd, criminal mischief.
- 9:14 am, Fir Grove Motel, domestic disturbance.
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- **September 29**
- 10:40 am, Fir Ave, domestic disturbance.
- 10:53 am, Birch Ave, stalking.
- 5:51 pm, Elm Ave, theft.
- 6:38 pm, Arthur Dr, domestic disturbance.
- 11:29 pm, Scott Terr, disturbance.
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Phillely is thankful to be working where he grew up. His mother lives in Coquille and his wife works as a kindergarten assistant in Bandon.

As interim superintendent, he continues working where Gallagher left off on the state’s school accountability initiative.

“There are some broad areas that we’re focusing on,” he said. “These accountability measures have to do with attendance, math, reading, graduation rates, and something called ‘On Track to Graduate,’ which measures if freshmen are on pace to graduate at the end of their year.”

Enrollment in the Coquille School District, just like schools all across

Oregon, is shrinking and has been for the past few years. It’s at 1,125 as the school year begins.

Phillely said a couple of factors contribute to that statistic: the birth rate is declining and there are more educational options for students, including charter academies and online schools.

“As long as the school district anticipates the enrollment decline and plans for it, we can produce great outcomes for students,” he said.

Phillely explained that the same factors affecting families affect school districts, such as inflation.

“Schools buy a lot of diesel,” he said. “We buy a lot of food for our kids. And all of our costs have just gone up.”

Phillely said the district wants to have outstanding teachers and assistants,

outstanding instruction and outstanding extracurricular activities, which include coaches and club advisors who work well with students.

As interim superintendent, Phillely finds it most enjoyable visiting the schools, observing “what students are doing and seeing all the great work that our staff is doing and learning about all of our really strong departments that support students, like our transportation, food service, maintenance, and custodial employees and the hard work that they do every day.”

Millet said the school board has not started the process to hire a permanent replacement for Gallagher.

“That will be discussed at the next board meeting in October,” she said.

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Weekly Sports Recap

Pirates, Bulldogs play to scoreless draw

John GUNTHER
For The World

The Marshfield and North Bend girls soccer teams played to a scoreless tie that left the Bulldogs just ahead of the Pirates in second place behind defending state champion Marist Catholic halfway through the Sky-Em League season.

Earlier in the week, North Bend suffered its first loss of the season when the Bulldogs also gave up their only goals conceded so far in an 8-0 loss at Marist Catholic.

Marshfield's only league loss also came against Marist Catholic, by a 9-1 margin in Eugene, but the Pirates also have a 1-1 tie against Cottage Grove on their record.

North Bend is 4-1-1 in league play and Marshfield is 3-1-2 heading into the second round, which begins for Marshfield on Tuesday with a match at South Umpqua before the Pirates host a key rematch with Cottage Grove on Thursday.

North Bend is off on Tuesday and visits Elmira on Thursday.

Cottage Grove is 3-2-1 in the race for the league's three possible playoff spots. The first- and second-place teams are guaranteed spots in the Class 4A playoffs and the third-place team will get in if it is among the top four third-place teams in the power rankings at the end of the regular season.

CLASS 3A-2A-1A DISTRICT 3: The combined Coquille-Myrtle Point squad topped host Illinois Valley 4-1 on Thursday to snap a three-match losing streak in league play.

The DevilCats are 2-3 in league play heading into matches this week at home against Siuslaw on Tuesday and against Lakeview in Medford on Thursday.

BOYS SOCCER
SKY-EM LEAGUE: Marshfield blanked visiting North Bend 8-0 on Thursday and finished the first round of league play tied for first place with Marist Catholic.

The Pirates and Spartans both are 5-0-1 after their tie during the first round of league play. The rematch is Oct. 15 at Marshfield.

This week, the Pirates are at South Umpqua on Tuesday and host Cottage Grove on Thursday.

North Bend is 1-4-1 in league, having also lost 4-0 at Marist Catholic during the week. The Bulldogs are at Elmira on Thursday.

CLASS 3A DISTRICT 3: The combined Coquille-Myrtle Point squad dominated Siuslaw for the second time this year, winning in Florence 10-1 to open the second round of league play.

The DevilCats also lost to Sutherlin 4-0 and are 5-3 in league play. They faced Sutherlin for a second time Saturday, after publication deadline, and are at Illinois Valley on Tuesday

and host Brookings-Harbor on Thursday.

Coquille is tied for second with Brookings-Harbor at 5-3 in what is shaping up to be a tight playoff race. Lost River is 4-2-2 and Sutherlin and Illinois Valley both are 3-3-2. The league gets three teams into the playoffs.

CLASS 2A-1A DISTRICT 3: Pacific improved to 3-0 in league with a forfeit win over Rogue River and a 4-0 victory at Gold Beach during the week.

The Pirates had a showdown with top-ranked Grand View Christian Academy on Saturday, after publication deadline, and this week have the first of two big matches with Umpqua Valley Christian at home on Tuesday before visiting Rogue Valley Adventist on Thursday.

VOLLEYBALL
FAR WEST LEAGUE: Coquille continued its perfect run through the league with home sweep over Sutherlin and a 25-18, 25-17, 25-23 win at Siuslaw to open the second half of the league season.

This week, the Red Devils are at Illinois Valley on Tuesday and host Brookings-Harbor on Thursday. Coquille also was at Santiam Christian for a tournament Saturday, after publication deadline. Last week, the Red Devils lost to league foe St. Mary's in the semifinals of the Creswell tournament after handing the Crusaders their only league loss earlier in the week.

SKY-EM LEAGUE: Marshfield won its first battle with rival North Bend, sweeping the visiting Bulldogs 25-9, 25-20, 25-22 and also swept South Umpqua 25-8, 25-19, 25-20 to start the second round of league play.

Marshfield is tied for second with Junction City in the league standings at 5-2, trailing defending state champion Marist Catholic, which swept Junction City on Thursday. Marshfield hosts Cottage Grove on Tuesday before a big trip to Junction City on Thursday.

North Bend, which is 2-4 in league play, is at Elmira on Monday and visits South Umpqua on Thursday.

SUNSET CONFERENCE: Myrtle Point, North Douglas and Gold Beach all are tied for first place in the league standings after two wins last week.

The Bobcats, who won the league title last year, swept visiting Bandon 25-10, 25-15, 25-16 and won at Oakland 25-16, 25-14, 25-16.

Gold Beach, meanwhile, won at Reedsport 24-26, 25-13, 25-17, 25-22 and swept host Bandon 25-21, 25-22, 25-17.

League newcomer North Douglas won at Oakland 25-17, 25-12, 26-24 and topped Reedsport 25-11, 25-15, 25-20.

During the first round of league play Gold Beach beat North Douglas, North Douglas edged Myrtle Point in five sets

and Myrtle Point swept Gold Beach.

This week, Myrtle Point is at Reedsport on Monday while Oakland visits Bandon and North Douglas travels to Gold Beach on Tuesday to open the second round of league play. On Thursday, Gold Beach is at Myrtle Point, Bandon visits North Douglas and Reedsport travels to Oakland.

SKYLINE LEAGUE: Powers split its two matches during the week. The Cruisers won at New hope 24-26, 25-12, 25-12, 25-9 and lost to league-leading Elkton 25-18, 25-15, 25-21. This week, the Cruisers host Camas Valley on Tuesday and visit Riddle on Thursday.

Pacific fell to Camas Valley 25-19, 25-5, 25-12 and was swept by Glendale. The Pirates host Riddle on Tuesday and Umpqua Valley Christian on Thursday.

FOOTBALL
NORTH BEND 21, SOUTH UMPQUA 16: The Bulldogs got their second Class 4A District 3 win in as many tries when they held off the visiting Lancers.

During halftime, Naomi Acuna-Aviles was crowned Miss Flame for 2026 in the annual celebration of the long partnership between North Bend High School and the North Bend Fire Department.

The other members of the court were Kenzie Prince, Mandisa Majola and Hannah Worch.

This week, North Bend is at Junction City.

MARIST CATHOLIC 48, MARSHFIELD 9: The Pirates lost their second straight in Class 4A District 3 play as the Spartans spoiled Marshfield's homecoming.

During halftime, Isabel Ashton and Adam Boyd were crowned homecoming queen and king.

Marshfield is at Sweet Home this week.

MYRTLE POINT 44, ILLINOIS VALLEY 0: The Bobcats snapped a two-game slide in their Class 2A District 4 opener.

Myrtle Point is on the road this week at Gold Beach.

OAKLAND 57, BANDON 19: The Tigers came up short on the road in their District 4 league opener.

Bandon will try to bounce back this week when it hosts Glide.

POWERS 34, MCKENZIE 12: The Cruisers got their first win in league play with the road victory.

Powers has a non-conference game Friday against Country Christian at Estacada.

SUTHERLIN 63, COQUILLE 8: The Red Devils came up short in their Class 3A District 4 opener on Friday, falling on the road. Coquille will again try for its first win of the season this week when it travels to Douglas.

VERNONIA 42, REEDSPORT 18: The Brave had one of

their best offensive games of the season, but came up short on the road in their eight-player District 2 opener.

Reedsport, searching for its first win of the season, is home this week against Camas Valley.

CROSS COUNTRY
GLIDE INVITATIONAL: Marshfield's boys won the team title in the This Run's For Maynard Glide Invitational, led by Kaedin Oltman, who finished second overall.

Oakland's Isaac Williamson won the race in 16 minutes and 58 seconds. Oltman finished in 17:40 to lead the way as Marshfield had all five of its scoring runners in the top 13. Donald Brice was fourth (18:09), Liam Rasley eighth (18:39), Ezra Kern ninth (18:48) and Maddox Ferrel 13th (19:14).

The Pirates finished with 34 points. Glide was second among six complete teams with 47.

In the girls race, Kindall Wyatt was fifth to lead Marshfield, which finished second to host Glide in the team race.

Days Creek's Jolee Woody won the race in 19:56. Wyatt was timed in 21:49 and was followed by Marshfield runners Scarlett Devins sixth (22:04), Kendall Qualman eighth (22:58), Kassandra Clayton 12th (24:49) and Anycha Ramirez 14th (25:13).

Glide scored 23 points and Marshfield was second among three complete teams with 33.

WILLAMETTE GOLDEN HOUR INVITATIONAL: North Bend's Lauren Wolfe won the recent race in Eugene to lead the Bulldogs to the girls team title.

Wolfe finished the 5,000-meter course in 20 minutes and 13 seconds. Melina Harbolt was third (23:03) and Addison Horning fourth (23:04), with Isla Bascom ninth (25:28) and Heidi Truong 12th (26:08).

Landon Cunningham finished fourth (18:19) to lead North Bend's boys, who did not field a complete team. Willamette's Austin Forrester won the race in 17:26.

WOAHINK LAKE INVITATIONAL: Coquille's Ella Henthorn ran away with the title in the girls race at the recent meet near Florence, finishing in 18:31, nearly a minute ahead of runner-up Olivia Hernandez of Philomath (19:28).

Marshfield was led by Kendall Qualman, who was 11th (21:32). Philomath won the team title with 53 points. Host Siuslaw was third and Marshfield fourth.

In the boys race, Siuslaw dominated with five of the top nine, led by winner Henry Stone (16:00) and runner up Bentley Nelson (16:44). Marshfield was led by Donald Brice, who was 13th (18:04).

Siuslaw scored 23 points to easily beat runner-up Cottage Grove (41) with Marshfield third.

Inskeep among three new head coaches at SWOCC

Southwestern Oregon Community College has hired three new coaches, including one who was a local standout in high school and grew up around the college.

North Bend graduate Zach Inskeep will lead the baseball program after earlier being an assistant for the team.

Inskeep was a batboy at SWOCC when he was young before becoming a standout at North Bend, where he was Far West League most valuable player his senior season.

He was a first-team All-American at Yakima Valley Community College before moving on to Marshall University in West Virginia, where he was a three-year starter. In his final game for the Thundering Herd he played all nine positions.

Inskeep has an undergraduate degree in health sciences and a Master of Business degree, both from Marshall, and has spent his time since graduating from college in various levels of coaching, including coaching the local South Coast Kraken American Legion team. He also is a certified Farm System hitting instructor.

Andrew Iverson is the new head swimming coach for the Lakers.

Iverson swam for Iowa Central Community College and St. Cloud State University and following his graduation in 2024 served as graduate assistant swimming coach at the University of South Dakota, where he worked primarily with distance swimmers and helped coach swimmers to seven school records. Two of the school's swimmers were Summit League conference champions and the program also had its second NCAA championships qualifier.

He takes over a program that has been among the best junior college teams in the country. Sandra Bullock, the only previous head coach for the Lakers, led both the men's and women's teams to second place at last winters NJCAA Championships. SWOCC started its swim program in 2014.

Zac Olson is the new head coach for the women's basketball program.

Olson graduated from North Salem High School and was the Valley League most valuable player before playing for Chemeketa Community College and Southern Oregon University, where he earned bachelor's and masters degrees.

He has more than 15 years of college coaching experience, including three different stints as an assistant at Southern Oregon University. He was interim coach for the Raiders during the 2021-22 school year, leading the school to a berth in the conference tournament championship game. He helped coach the Raiders to three national tournament appearances, including once when the Raiders reached the final eight.

Olson began his coaching career at Cascade College, where he was both an assistant and head coach.

SWOCC runners shine

The Southwestern Oregon Community College cross country team had a strong showing at the recent Mike Johnson Classic at Ash Creek Preserve near Monmouth and the Lakers were honored with both the men's and women's NWAC cross country athletes of the week.

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Weekly Sports Schedule

Tuesday, Oct. 6
High School Volleyball — Coquille at Illinois Valley, 6 p.m.; Oakland at Bandon, 6 p.m.; Riddle at Pacific, 6 p.m.; Camas Valley at Powers, 6 p.m.; Cottage Grove at Marshfield, 6:30 p.m.

High School Boys Soccer — Umpqua Valley Christian at Pacific, 4 p.m.; Coquille at Illinois Valley, 4:30 p.m.; Marshfield at South Umpqua, 5 p.m.

High School Girls Soccer — Marshfield at South Umpqua, 3 p.m.; Siuslaw at Coquille, 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 7
High School Cross Country — Marshfield, North Bend, Reedsport and Pacific at Cinnamon Roll Run, Port Orford

Women's College Soccer — Klamath at SWOCC, 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8

High School Volleyball — Brookings-Harbor at Coquille, 6 p.m.; Gold Beach at Myrtle Point, 6 p.m.; Bandon at North Douglas, 6 p.m.; Reedsport at Oakland, 6 p.m.; North Bend at South Umpqua, 6 p.m.; Powers at Riddle, 6 p.m.; Umpqua Valley Christian at Pacific, 6 p.m.; Marshfield at Junction City, 6:30 p.m.

High School Boys Soccer — Pacific at Rogue Valley Adventist, 4 p.m.; Brookings-Harbor at Coquille, 4:30 p.m.; Cottage Grove at Marshfield, 6:30 p.m.; North Bend at Elmira, 7 p.m.

High School Girls Soccer — Coquille vs. Lakeview at Medford, 2 p.m.; Cottage Grove at Marshfield, 4:30 p.m.; North Bend at Elmira, 5 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 9
High School Football —

Powers vs. Country Christian at Estacada, 4 p.m.; Marshfield at Sweet Home, 7 p.m.; North Bend at Junction City, 7 p.m.; Coquille at Douglas, 7 p.m.; Myrtle Point at Gold Beach, 7 p.m.; Glide at Bandon, 7 p.m.; Camas Valley at Reedsport, 7 p.m.

High School Cross Country — Bandon, Coquille at Rose City Championship Invite, Portland.

Men's College Soccer — Rogue at SWOCC, 2 p.m.

College Volleyball — Umpqua at SWOCC, 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10
High School Volleyball — North Bend at Seaside Tournament.

Women's College Soccer — SWOCC at Rogue, noon.
College Volleyball — Rogue at SWOCC, 2 p.m.

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Letter to the Editor

People over politics

This is regarding Mary Schamehorn's As I See It column published in the September 29 issue of The World.

I am very curious about Candidate Mary Schamehorn's statement that "Local politics should be non-partisan". She goes on to assume that if a non-partisan candidate accepts a donation from a political party that the candidate will be controlled by that political party. She then goes on to list a series of issues that face residents of Bandon but does not indicate how SHE would vote on these issues.

I would imagine that whether you are a D, an I, an R or non-partisan, that you would have an opinion on those issues, and if they

were important to you, you would express that opinion to the elected officials and that the elected officials would heed the wishes of the voters.

The bottom line is that we should remember that local government should always be "people over politics" and trust that if a candidate for local government accepts money from any person or major parties that, if elected, will cast a vote that comports with the wishes of the residents.

I would hazard a guess that any donation from a political party to any candidate in the local Bandon election is not enough to "expect something in return" other than a change in leadership, which, as I see it, is long overdue.

Mary Ann Gernegliaro
Bandon

Bandon Tours offer culinary delights

By **BREE LAUGHLIN**
Bandon Tours

Anyone who participates in a Bandon Tour will not only go home with a full belly and newly-gained knowledge of the town, they will also take away lasting memories from their experience.

The Bandon Bites Tour explores the culinary delights of the charming historic district of Bandon. Tour-goers sample everything from fresh seafood to delectable sweets, all crafted by passionate local business owners. The tours not only satisfy the palette, they also connect participants with a historic overview of the area and support multiple local businesses.

Charis McGaughey co-founded Bandon Tours with Laureen Robertson in the Fall of 2024. McGaughey had recently



Bandon Food Tour Group at Tonys Charis. Courtesy photo

gone on a trip to see her daughter in Boston, and they went on a food tour of Cambridge.

"We were walking around having a blast and my daughter says, 'Hey, Mom, why don't you do this? You'd be really good

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expertise, commitment to equity, community involvement, understanding of educational issues, vision and professional development.

"We are so proud of this year's Regional Teachers of the Year who consistently demonstrate hard work, build strong relationships, empower their students, and create classroom environments that lead to student success," said ODE Director Dr. Charlene Williams. "As mentors, advocates, and community leaders, they show us all that the best is on display in schools large and small, rural and urban, from the first years of schooling to the final

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plying the housing. We are basically out of buildable space for housing. And we bought the Annex and other buildings, still think that was a really bad idea. Because if investors aren't going to invest in those properties, we probably shouldn't invest in those properties," said Haines on housing.

The next question was about emergency services and law enforcement, and how the City balances providing them with current budget constraints, along with the levies/taxes proposed to help alleviate them.

Haines advocated for increasing the cost and frequency of traffic tickets, citing a long anecdote recounting the time he was let off of a speeding ticket after being pulled over.

"I'm pretty sure most law-abiding citizens will pay the ticket if they did something wrong," assumes Haines.

Engelke addressed Haines' idea that we shouldn't build more housing.

"Property taxes are the main way we fund city services, so you really need to make sure that you continue to grow, or you're

going to die. If we don't have other housing here the [property tax rate] can only go up 3% every year. North Bend has to get creative on that, because we're landlocked so we have to think of ways to grow up, but you can't just say we don't want more housing. That is how we continue to raise that tax base and continue to provide city services," said Engelke.

She went on to address the need for the county to open another jail pod stating that citizens, officers and public servants are all frustrated with that situation. As for North Bend's part, a public safety fee was approved to hire a detective on the most recent local ballot. Community and business donations also contributed to the NBPD's ability to enlist their K9 officer.

Both of the candidates would go on to support local developments like the Pacific Coast Intermodal Port Project, with Engelke a little more reticent, wanting to make sure that stakeholders and local tribes are at the table for the process.

Haines continued to emphasize the importance on infrastructure, in particular, the sewer system. He advocated for setting aside funds for future sewer

repairs, as well as selling off any City owned URA properties.

Engelke continued to speak to the importance of economic revitalization and supporting local businesses.

"If we don't get behind supporting economic development, building in our community, doing everything we can to invest in our businesses. If we don't grow, we will end up dying... This is 100% why economic development matters.

"This is a Chamber of Commerce forum so I know I'm preaching to the choir here, but remember these things when it comes to the holidays: Shop local, support your businesses. Look around at the t-ball teams. Who's name is on the back of those t-shirts? Is it the car dealership, is it the restaurant? Make sure you're taking care of those businesses because they are taking care of the community," said Engelke.

"I would love to see this area, no matter who the mayor and city council is, that everybody works together with the county, with the state, with our representatives, to get this city growing again. Get it booming again. Getting our taxes lowered," closed Haines.



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TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE The Trustee under the terms of the Trust Deed described herein, at the direction of the Beneficiary, hereby elects to sell the property described in the Trust Deed to satisfy the obligations secured thereby. Pursuant to ORS 86.771, the following information is provided:
1. PARTIES: Grantor: JENNIFER A. MILLER Trustee: FIRST AMERICAN TITLE Successor Trustee: NANCY K. CARY Beneficiary: COOS BAY AREA HABITAT FOR HUMANITY
2. DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: The real property is described as follows: Lot 8, Block 87 of the First Addition to Empire, Coos Bay, OR, Coos County, Section 20CA, Township 25 South, Range 13 West of the Willamette Meridian, Coos Bay, Oregon
3. RECORDING. The Trust Deed was recorded as follows: Date Recorded: September 10, 2008 Recording No. 2008-9456 Official Records of Coos County, Oregon
4. DEFAULT. The Grantor or any other person obligated on the Trust Deed and Promissory Note secured thereby is in default and the Beneficiary seeks to foreclose the Trust Deed for the following defaults: Failure to preserve, maintain, and protect the property; Failure to prevent destruction and damage to the property; Failure to prevent deterioration and waste to the property causing a decrease in value; Failure to promptly repair, restore and remedy the deterioration and damage to the property; Allowing the accumulation of debris, trash, junk and a rodent infestation on the property; Failure to maintain and provide proof of insurance; Allowing the main access to the property to be obstructed creating dangerous conditions including fire and safety hazards that have come to attention of the city and that violates codes; Failure to maintain utilities on the property contributing to rot and decay and other structural damage; Failure to pay property taxes.
5. AMOUNT DUE. The amount due on the Note which is secured by the Trust Deed referred to herein is: Principal balance in the amount of \$60,000.00; plus advances and foreclosure attorney fees and costs.
6. SALE OF PROPERTY. The Trustee hereby states that the property will be sold to satisfy the obligations secured by the Trust Deed. A Trustee's Notice of Default and Election to Sell Under Terms of Trust Deed has been recorded in the Official Records of Coos County, Oregon.
7. TIME OF SALE. Date: November 19, 2026 Time: 11:00 a.m. Place: Coos County Courthouse, Front Entrance, 250 N. Baxter, Coquille, Oregon 97423
8. RIGHT TO REINSTATE. Any person named in ORS 86.778 has the right, at any time that is not later than five days before the Trustee conducts the sale, to have this foreclosure dismissed and the Trust Deed reinstated by payment to the Beneficiary of the entire amount then due, other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred, by curing any other default that is capable of being cured by tendering the performance required under the obligation or Trust Deed and by paying all costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation and Trust Deed, together with the trustee's and attorney's fees not exceeding the amount provided in ORS 86.778.
NOTICE REGARDING POTENTIAL HAZARDS (This notice is required for notices of sale sent on or after January 1, 2015.) 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. You may reach the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service at 503-684-3763 or toll-free in Oregon at 800-452-7636 or you may visit its website at: www.osbar.org. Legal assis-

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tance may be available if you have a low income and meet federal poverty guidelines. For more information and a directory of legal aid programs, go to www.oregonlawhelp.org. Any questions regarding this matter should be directed to Lisa Summers, Paralegal, (541) 686-0344 (TS #47751.1). DATED: June 29, 2026. Nancy K. Cary, Successor Trustee, Hershner Hunter, LLP, P.O. Box 1475, Eugene, OR 97440. 9/15, 9/22, 9/29, 10/6/2026 World 430549

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS In the Matter of the Estate of: JOSEPH EDWARD SHAEFFER, Deceased.
Case No. 26PB07976
INFORMATION TO INTERESTED PERSONS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that KELLY MILLIGAN has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate of JOSEPH EDWARD SHAEFFER are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the personal representative at 239 Owyhee Lane, Roseburg, OR 97471, or through her attorney, Nathan B. McClintock, at PO Box 1178, Coos Bay, OR 97420, or in person at 936 Central Avenue, Coos Bay, Oregon, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative, or the lawyer for the personal representative, Nathan B. McClintock. Dated and first published on October 6, 2026.
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES: Kelly Milligan 239 Owyhee Ln. Roseburg, OR 97471 Telephone: (541) 680-2717 Email: kellyjo777@icloud.com /s/ Nathan McClintock NATHAN B. MCCLINTOCK, OSB #841520 Attorney for Personal Representative P.O. Box 1178 Coos Bay, OR 97420 Telephone: (541) 269-1123 Fax: (541) 269-1126 Email: nmclintock@epuerto.com 10/6/2026 World 431039

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS In the Matter of the Estate of: NORMA JUNE TILLIA, Deceased.
Case No. 26PB07753
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Sandra Kay Jones has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to Shirley D. Farmer, attorney for the Personal Representative, at the Law Office of Shirley D. Farmer, LLC, 444 N 4th Street, Coos Bay, OR 97420, within four months after the date of the publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the probate clerk's office at the Coos County Courthouse, Probate Department, 250 N Baxter, Coquille, Oregon 97423, the Personal Representative, or the attorney for the Personal Representative, Shirley D. Farmer, 444 N 4th Street, Coos Bay, OR 97420. Dated and first published this 6th day of October, 2026. 10/6/2026 World 431040

ESTATE OF LONDA S. MCMI-CHAE L
COOS COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT CASE NO. 26PB08069
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that LINDA LU ANN LEAVITT has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with written evidence thereof attached, to the personal representative, c/o Mark M. Williams, Attorney at Law, 180 West Sixth Avenue, Junction City, Oregon 97448. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them within four months after the date of first publication of this notice to the Personal Representative at the address stated above for the presentation of claims or such claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by these proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court or the Personal Representative, named above. Dated and first published October 6, 2026.
Personal Representative: LINDA LU ANN LEAVITT c/o Mark M. Williams, OSB#821404 Attorney at Law 10/6/2026 World 431043

Request for Proposals (RFP) Architectural and Engineering Services

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Greenacres Rural Fire Protection District (GRFPD) New Fire Station Project Coos County invites qualifications-based proposals from an architect-led multidisciplinary team to provide programming, feasibility validation, architectural and engineering design, Environmental Review technical support, permitting assistance, bidding assistance, construction administration, and closeout services for a new fire station. Selection Method. This is a formal qualifications-based selection under ORS 279C.110 and OAR 137-048-0220. Proposers must not include fees or other pricing information. The County will select the most qualified proposer and then negotiate fair and reasonable compensation. CDBG Funding and Federal Requirements. Work under the contract resulting from this solicitation will be funded in whole or in part with federal grant funds from the Oregon Community Development Block Grant Program, administered by the Oregon Business Development Department, also known as Business Oregon, under Grant Contract C25008. The resulting professional services contract will be subject to applicable requirements of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, 2 CFR Part 200, 24 CFR Parts 58, 75, and 570, applicable federal civil-rights and nondiscrimination requirements, and applicable Oregon public contracting requirements. The selected consultant must assist the County in incorporating applicable Davis-Bacon and Oregon prevailing-wage provisions, Section 3 requirements, Build America Buy America requirements, and other required federal and state clauses into the later construction procurement documents. Business Participation and Nondiscrimination. The County encourages participation by disadvantaged, minority-owned, women-owned, veteran-owned, and emerging small businesses, including Section 3 business concerns. The County will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, disability, familial status, or other protected status. RFP Documents and Communications. The complete RFP may be obtained from the Coos County Office of Legal Counsel, 250 N. Baxter Street, Coquille, Oregon 97423; telephone (541) 396-7690; or email legalasst@co.coos.or.us . Questions, requests for clarification or change, and solicitation protests must be submitted in writing to that office by the applicable deadline. Proposal Submission. Deliver three paper copies in a sealed envelope to Bobbi Brooks, Administrative Aide, Coos County Board of Commissioners' Office, 225 N. Adams Street, Coquille, Oregon 97423, and clearly labeled "A/E Services - GRFPD New Fire Station Project." Proposals must be received no later than 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 27, 2026. Late proposals will not be accepted or considered, regardless of delivery method. Public Opening. Proposals will be publicly opened immediately after the submission deadline at the Owen Building, 201 N. Adams Street, Coquille, Oregon 97423. The County will announce the name of each proposer whose proposal was timely received. Proposal contents will not be read aloud, evaluated, or discussed at the opening. Date: 9/28/26 Drew Farmer, Chair Board of Commissioners 10/6/2026 World 431235

NOTICE FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF UMPQUA SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT Notice is hereby served that the annual meeting of the Umpqua Soil and Water Conservation District will be held Thursday, November 12 at 5:00 p.m. at https://meet.goto.com/UmpquaSWCD/umpquasoil-waterconservationdistrictmeeting-2 , or 1 877 309 2073, Access Code: 207-680-261. 10/6 & 10/13/2026 World 430136

TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE TS No.: 179291 APN: 3239700 Reference is made to that certain deed made by Sandra L. Racicot as Grantor to The Rural Housing Service or its successor agency, as Trustee, in favor of United States of America, acting through the Rural Housing Service or successor agency, United States Department of Agriculture as Beneficiary, dated 06/05/2003, recorded 06/05/2003, in the official records of Coos County, Oregon as Instrument No. 2003-7917 in Book xx, Page xx covering the following described real property situated in said County and State, to wit: See attached Exhibit A EXHIBIT "A" REF. NO.: 179291 BEGINNING AT A POINT EAST 55 FEET OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF BLOCK 2, ACADEMY ADDITION TO COQUILLE, COOS COUNTY, OREGON, SAID CORNER BE-

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ING AT THE INTERSECTION OF 11TH STREET AND ELIOTT STREET IN THE CITY OF COQUILLE; SAID BEGINNING POINT BEING THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF PARCEL CONVEYED TO RAY W. RICKMAN ET UX IN BOOK 106, PAGE 56, DEED RECORDS OF COOS COUNTY, OREGON; THENCE NORTH 100 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF A PARCEL CONVEYED TO L PAUL SIMPSON ET US IN BOOK 181, PAGE 95, DEED RECORDS OF COOS COUNTY, OREGON; THENCE EAST 48 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF A PARCEL CONVEYED TO JOHN H. PURDY ET UX IN BOOK 105, PAGE 390, DEED OF RECORDS OF COOS COUNTY, OREGON; THENCE SOUTH 100 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE NORTH LINE OF 11TH STREET; THENCE WEST 48 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. Commonly known as: 520 E. 11th St, Coquille, OR 97423 The current beneficiary is United States of America, acting through the Rural Housing Service or successor agency, United States Department of Agriculture pursuant to the deed of trust recorded on 6/5/2003 as Inst No. 2003-7917 in the records of Coos, Oregon. The beneficiary has elected and directed successor trustee 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: Make the monthly

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payments commencing with the payment due on 12/05/2019 and continuing each month until this trust deed is reinstated or goes to trustee's sale; plus a late charge on each installment not paid within fifteen days following the payment due date; trustee's fees and other costs and expenses associated with this foreclosure and any further breach of any term or condition contained in subject note and deed of trust. 1. By the reason of said default the beneficiary has declared all obligations secured by said deed of trust immediately due and payable, said sums being the following, to wit: Principal balance in the amount of: \$62,343.09; 2. Interest through 08/31/2026 in the amount of: \$25,528.18 3. MIP/ PMI Advances in the amount of: \$0.00 4. Recoverable balance in the amount of: \$32,488.45 5. Late Charges in the amount of: \$564.66 6. Subsidy to be recaptured in the amount of: \$32,004.88 7. Fees required with payoff funds in the amount of: \$4,539.74 8. Escrow Advances in the amount of: \$1,339.55 9. Together with the interest thereon at the rate 6% per annum 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 deed of trust. The principal sum of \$62,343.09 together with the interest thereon at the rate 6% per annum from 11/19/2019 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 deed of trust. Whereof, notice hereby is given that the undersigned

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trustee will on 12/28/2026 at the hour of 10:00 AM, Standard of Time, 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 the sale. In construing this, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the successor in interest to the grantor as well as any other person owing obligation, the performance of which is secured by said trust deed; the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective

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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 Prime Recon 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. Also, please be advised that pursuant to the terms stated on the Deed of Trust and Note, the beneficiary is allowed to conduct property inspections while there is a default. This shall serve as notice that the beneficiary shall be conducting property inspections on the referenced property. 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. Dated: 8/12/2026 Prime Recon LLC By: Carmen Robinson, Authorized Signer Prime Recon LLC 27368 Via Industria, Ste 201 Temecula, CA 92590 Phone

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number for the Trustee: (888) 725-4142 NPP0493049 10/06, 10/13, 10/20, 10/27/2026 World 430906

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
On November 9th, 2026, at the hour of 10:00am at the front door of the Coos County Sheriff's Office, 250 N. Baxter St; Coquille, the defendant's interest will be sold, subject to redemption, in the real property commonly known as: 498 N 3rd Ct, Coos Bay, OR 97420. The court case number is 25CV59390, where U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR RCAF ACQUISITION TRUST is plaintiff, and FERNE MARTIN, PERSONALLY AND AS SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE OF THE BARBARA JESSIE MARTIN REVOCABLE TRUST, CRAIG MARTIN, OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY is defendant. The sale is a public auction to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check, in hand, made out to Coos County Sheriff's Office. For more information on this sale go to: <http://oregonsheriffssales.org/> 10/6, 10/13, 10/20, 10/27/2026 World 431073

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS
Kathern White
Plaintiff/Petitioner
v.
Wayne E White
Defendant/Respondent
Case No: 26DR13104
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Kathern White has filed a Dissolution of Marriage case asking the court to order Dissolution of marriage; half of respondent's military retirement and the marital home.
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: READ CAREFULLY!
You must "appear" in this case or the other side will win automatically. To "appear," you must file a legal Response, Answer, or Motion. Forms may be available through the court above or online at www.courts.oregon.gov/forms. Talk to a lawyer for information about appearing by motion.
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Here's how Oregonians want the state to address its transportation budget crisis

By MIA MALDONADO
Oregon Capital Chronicle

Oregonians ranked maintaining and preserving highways and bridges and improving safety as the top priorities they think the Oregon Department of Transportation should focus on as it looks to resolve a \$200 million budget gap in the

2027-29 budget cycle. Between August and September, the group Gov. Tina Kotek tasked with vetting solutions to the state's transportation budget crisis surveyed Oregonians about what they think the state's spending priorities should be. The Oregon Capital Chronicle obtained

a copy of the survey responses, as well as an analysis of the responses compiled by Department of Transportation staff. About 8,650 Oregonians from all counties except Wheeler County responded to the survey. More than 60% of respondents live in the Portland metro area, according to the survey analysis. In 2024, nearly half of Oregon's population lived in the Portland metro area, according to a state economic analysis.

Survey comments express frustration with spending, emphasize public transit

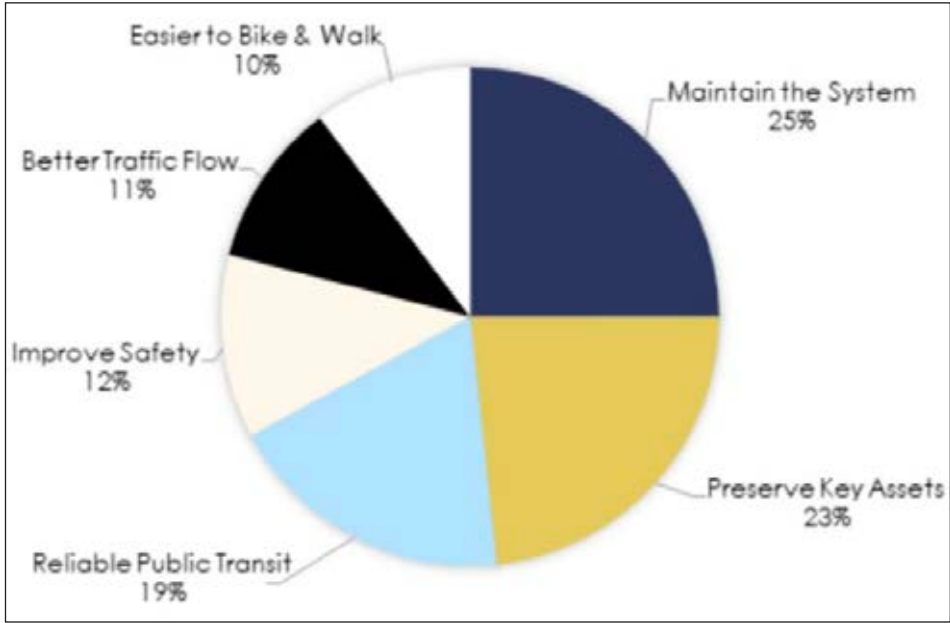
The first question in the survey asked respondents to rank six transportation priorities:

- Improving safety
- Reliable public transit
- Easier to bike and walk
- Better traffic flow
- Maintaining the system, such as fixing potholes, clearing debris and snow
- Preserving key assets, such as bridges and roads needing replacement

Maintaining the transportation system was ranked as the top priority in the survey, followed by preserving key assets, improving safety, making it easier to bike and walk, reliable public transit and better traffic flow.

Nearly 4,600 people included comments in their answers to this question, including hundreds who expressed their frustration with cuts to TriMet, Portland's public transportation system. Many of them said they rely on public transportation because they cannot afford a car or because of health issues.

The department did not include commenters' names in its records release, or any other



identifying information aside from each respondent's zip code.

"I'm an avid public transportation user because my life was altered by a driver hitting me while I was cycling in the bike lane during the day," a person wrote. "Making the roads safer for all, especially pedestrians and cyclists, is important. Public transit is the greenest and most viable option, especially when coupled with reliability and safety."

Nearly 40 comments said they want the state to focus on increasing wildlife crossings, which wasn't listed as a priority option in the survey.

Other comments expressed frustration with the department's financial efficiency, asking that it creates more cost-effective ways to complete projects.

"No new taxes," a person wrote. "There are too many taxes in Oregon. Reduce expenses first. Increase efficiency," another person wrote.

The second question in the survey asked Oregonians how they would allocate transportation funding, asking them to put the percentage of funding they think each

priority category should receive. The survey analysis shows respondents said the transportation agency should focus its funding on maintaining its infrastructure, followed by focusing on preserving assets and public transit.

The third question asked respondents about what type of transportation service reductions would impact them the most. The answers mirrored responses to the first question, saying not maintaining the system, preserving key assets and improving safety would impact them the most.

The last question was an optional and open-ended question, asking Oregonians what a well-managed transportation system looks like to them.

Of the more than 6,800 responses to this question, an analysis conducted by Oregon Department of Transportation staff found that 20% of responses want a transportation system that offers different transit options that works for people of all income levels and communities.

"A successful transportation system gives people the freedom to

choose what transportation mode they wish to use by equally investing in making them all safe and reliable," one respondent wrote.

Another 19% of responses called for more reliable public transit options, while 17% of responses said the transportation agency should focus on budgeting and delivering projects.

The remaining responses asked the agency to focus on maintaining roads and bridges, improving traffic flow and eliminating perceived wasteful spending.

"Stop pushing ridiculously expensive freeway expansion projects that do nothing at all to address safety, congestion, connectivity or reliability in our transportation system..." a person wrote.

"Develop and maintain a transportation system that provides options people can afford, rather than mandate car ownership."

Kotek's workgroup will hear the results of the findings at its next meeting on Oct. 9. The group has until the end of the year to present its transportation funding recommendations to the governor.

TOURS
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at it."

The idea stuck. When McGaughy researched the Food Tour market, there looked to be some untapped potential for a local business.

"Food tourism is a \$5.5 billion industry worldwide, and there were no food tours to be found on the Oregon Coast," McGaughy said.

So she and her partner ran with it, forming relationships with local business owners, and collecting fun and interesting tidbits of knowledge about the local history of the area.

Bandon Food Tours has been welcomed into the community by locals and tourists alike. In fact, McGaughy said locals have been some of her biggest supporters. They often book tours when friends and family are visiting to give them a 'taste' of the local flavor.

That was the case on a recent Bandon Tour. Long-time local and Bandon City Council Member Geri Procetto brought her family and friends on a Bandon Tour as part of her 95th birthday celebration.

During the tour, they enjoyed gluten-free clam chowder from Bandon Fisheries Warehouse Farm and Sea, locally-sourced rockfish tacos from Tony's Crab Shack, stuffed crab mushrooms and shrimp from The Wheelhouse & Crowsnest, and a tomato and burrata caprese salad from Alloro Wine Bar &

Restaurant. Most of the items were paired with the choice of an alcoholic or nonalcoholic beverage.

During the tour, the group also got to try homemade candy samples at Cranberry Sweets, and fudge from the Big Wheel General Store. The tour even ended with a delectable dessert drinking chocolate from Coastal Mist.

McGaughy entertained the group with fascinating insights about the local cranberry industry, stories about how the town of Bandon came to be, tragic recounts of fires that swept through the community and a historic recount of local indigenous peoples.

The tour-goers also got an inside scoop from many of the local business owners during their stops through Old Town Bandon.

McGaughy said the decision to open Bandon Tours has been a great journey, and one that she hopes is just getting started. She is currently expanding her business to sell curated gift baskets of local products.

McGaughy pointed out that every time someone does a tour they are supporting at least six local businesses, because the Bandon Tours owners compensate them for their products.

The Bandon Tours co-founder said she also loves to support her town.

"I get to contribute to this community I love and I get to be a cheerleader for Bandon," McGaughy said.

For more information, and to book a Bandon Tour, visit bandontours.com.

HISTORY
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found a cannonball, wadding and 1.8 pounds of live gunpowder. The artillery piece had been loaded for 232 years!

The restoration team called 911, which brought in the bomb squad. It removed the cannon and safely destroyed the charge.

"We silenced British

cannon fire in 1776, and we don't want to hear it again in Central Park," an NYPD statement said at the time.

Both cannons were remounted inside Fort Clinton, where you can see them today.

As for the missing British fortune supposedly sitting at the bottom of the East River, no trace of it ever turned up. Nor is it likely to, since the

Army Corps of Engineers cleared portions of Hell Gate with major explosions in 1876 and again in 1885, disturbing whatever remained of the wreck.

Still, a handful of old-time New Yorkers insist the gold remains down there. Which makes it deliciously ironic: They choose to believe in a fortune that likely never existed, without ever sus-

pecting a real-life loaded gun was right under their very nose.

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ond in the Jim Hunt Invitational competing against runners from several four-year schools.

Next up for the Lakers is the big George Oja Linfield Invitational on Oct. 17, which will include most of the schools in NWAC. The NWAC South Regional is Oct. 23 in Springfield and the NWAC Championships is Nov. 9 in Spokane, Wash.

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"NO WORRIES...WE PUT IT IN A CAGE."

Americanisms



"Heart is what separates
the good from the great."
— *Michael Jordan*

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GO FIGURE!

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

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Find more puzzles and comics on page 14!

Oregon lawmakers meet with Florida Governor Ron Desantis

From the Desk
of Court Boice

Governor DeSantis flew to Oregon over the weekend to meet with a group of Oregon Leaders. His leadership has been marked by conservative policy wins that have elevated his national profile and garnered attention for Florida's governance.

Boice stated, "I believe he is the most successful State Governor in my lifetime. His policies are improving the lives of Southeast U.S. Citizens. I was also proud of Oregon Governor Candidate Christine Drazan and Oregon U.S. Senate Candidate David Brock Smith. Both had speeches fully demonstrating their heart-felt beliefs we know will help bring Oregon back to balance and find common sense solutions. Governor DeSantis also found time to play the 'Sheep Ranch' 18-hole course at Bandon Dunes which of course is

in my Oregon State Rep. District 1 - Coos, Curry and Douglas Counties."

DeSantis's administration has seen various notable achievements.

- Education Reform — Governor DeSantis has championed policies that expand educational opportunities and support teachers, aiming for high-quality education for all students.
- Economic Growth — His pro-growth economic policies have contributed to Florida's robust economic performance, attracting businesses and investments.
- Public Health Initiatives — The establishment of the Public Health Integrity Committee reflects his administration's focus on assessing vaccine safety and protecting high-risk populations.
- Cultural Policies — DeSantis has engaged in high-profile culture-war confrontations, which have significantly raised his national profile
- Lowest Tax Revenue



Court Boice with Florida Governor Ron Desantis.

Courtesy photo

Policies -- No Income Tax and a proven record of

doing more with less

- Public Safety -- The

DeSantis Law Enforcement Policies have resulted

in the lowest Crime Rate in the entire U.S.

Puzzle answers on page 9

Super Crossword

JOURNALISTIC SET

ACROSS

1 Principal part of a ship's rigging

9 Glucose and dextrose

15 Want greatly

20 Phrase before a memoir co-author

21 Result of iron deficiency

22 Opponent

23 Question to someone barking orders

26 Wriggly fish

27 Extinct bird

28 Swerving billiards shot

29 Teeny

30 Suspenseful NFL periods

33 CIA worker

35 PC fixer, e.g.

37 'Hey, amigo'

39 Highest price customers are amenable to paying

47 'Less filling' Miller beer

48 Prefix similar to "equi-"

49 Vaccination fluids

50 Neighbor of Monterey Park, Calif.

51 Connections

53 Maximum

56 Rustic hotel

58 Lean- (simple huts)

59 Time to steel oneself

66 Congregated

67 Goes past the time limit

68 Cold shoulder preventer?

69 A humidifier moistens it

71 Suddenly blazing stars

73 Pungent salad veggie

77 Lhasa - (small dogs)

80 Official assisting a referee

83 "Rapa- -" (1994 Esai Morales film)

84 Classic Maurice Sendak book

89 Cabinet dept. focused on homes

90 "- culpa"

91 Wedge for filling a gap

92 Show fatigue reflexively

93 Mother on "Bewitched"

97 Aruba, e.g.

100 Steal from

102 Medicine bottle

104 Jesus' words after "My God, my God," in Matthew

109 "You bet!," in Baja

110 Favorite cereal of a "silly rabbit"

111 "I'm - loss for words"

112 Pub barrel

113 "La-la" lead-in

116 "Jay - Garage"

119 Best draft status

121 Business mag

123 Response upon hearing about an astonishing feat

130 "Aida," e.g.

131 Dogs from Japan

132 They often get mashed

133 Stopwatch button

134 Despot ruler

135 They begin this puzzle's long answers

DOWN

1 Greedy gullet

2 Fire residue

3 Figure skater Midori

4 Central point

5 Superlatively sneaky

6 University on Long Island

7 "- be an honor"

8 Put freight in

9 Less happy

10 Opens with a key

11 "Well, I'll be!"

12 Radio toggle letters

13 Actress Hayworth

14 Gives a quick greeting

15 Disney villainess

16 Chest bone

17 State boldly

18 Rose holder

19 Otherwise

24 - bene

25 "Mio"

30 Hooting bird

31 Toward there

32 Feeling of fullness

34 Sycophantic guys

36 Bray syllable

38 Crunches tone them

40 High schooler, e.g.

41 Some rock band synth-sizers

42 Calc prereq

43 Subsidies

44 Caesar's final reproach

45 Bump on -

46 Unduly quick

52 Zebra feature

54 Shortly

55 Resort town near Rome

57 High degree

59 H-bomb, e.g.

60 "Lummox" author Fannie

61 'A Town Like Alice' author

62 Large pianos

63 Clingy wrap

64 Like a banjo's sound

65 On in years

70 Bern's river

72 Comic Rogen

74 Very shortly

75 "Smith" is the commonest one in the United States

76 Hasten

78 Resistance unit

79 Understand the point

81 Bake, as an egg

82 Brunch cocktail

84 "Close call!"

85 "Come again?"

86 Water swirl

87 Do laundry

88 Goalie's goal

94 Elle King's "Ex's & -"

95 Lambastes

96 Valuable trait

98 Auction unit

99 Former Volkswagen seven-seater

101 "Freedom" singer Jon

103 Shin's place

105 Soldier's steel helmet

106 Best in quality

107 Yaks, e.g.

108 Wichita site

113 Thunder god

114 Lasso, e.g.

115 Stupefies

117 Tasting of wood, as wine

118 Move a bit

120 Session with a dr., e.g.

122 - Field (Mrs. Met's home)

124 Deep anger

125 Greek vowel

126 "La-la" lead-in

127 Fight like Ali

128 Actor Ayres

129 Snaky letter

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Weekly SUDOKU

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate

♦♦ Challenging

♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Community Calendar of Events

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RECURRING EVENTS

COOS BAY DOWNTOWN FARMERS MARKET
EVERY WEDNESDAY.
MAY-OCTOBER – 9 AM-2 PM
CENTRAL AVE, COOS BAY
SHOP FOR THE FRESH-EST FRUITS, VEGE-TABLES, 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 LI-BRARY, 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
357 S. 6TH STREET, COOS BAY
A FUN, WORLD MUSIC IN-SPIRED FITNESS CLASS FOR ALL LEVELS. NEW DANCERS WELCOME. FREE.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME
EVERY TUESDAY - 10:30 AM
NORTH BEND PUBLIC LIBRARY, 1800 SHERMAN AVE.
MOVEMENT BASED MUSIC PROGRAM FOR TODDLERS AGES 2–3.

FOCCAS ADOPTION SHOWCASE
EVERY SATURDAY - 10:00 AM–4:00 PM (OTHER TIMES BY APPOINT-MENT)
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 DEMOCRAT-IC RALLY
FIRST & THIRD SATUR-DAYS OF EACH MONTH - 12:00–2:00 PM
COOS BAY BOARDWALK, 200 S. BAYSHORE DR.
A COMMUNITY GATHER-ING 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 ADMIS-SION AT COOS ART MUSEUM
FIRST FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH
COOS ART MUSEUM, 235 ANDERSON AVE, COOS BAY

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 MEM-BERS; \$7 ADULTS / \$3 YOUTH / \$5 ZOOM
DESCRIPTION: MONTH-LY LECTURE ON LOCAL HISTORY TOPICS. PRE REGISTRATION ENCOUR-AGED.

FURRY FRIENDS THER-APY DOGS, INC. MEETING
FOURTH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH
(THIRD THURSDAY IN NO-VEMBER & DECEMBER)
CEDAR ROOM, COOS BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY
LEARN ABOUT SHAR-ING YOUR DOG’S LOVE THROUGH THERAPY VISITS. OPEN TO ALL IN-TERESTED COMMUNITY MEMBERS.

GRIEF & LOSS SUPPORT GROUP
FIRST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH - 12:00–2:00 PM
KAFFE 101, 171 S. BROAD-WAY, COOS BAY
A WELCOMING SUPPORT GROUP HOSTED BY PACIFIC HOME HEALTH & HOSPICE.

WOMEN’S EMPOWER-MENT BOOK CLUB
FIRST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH - 11:00 AM–12:00 PM
COOS BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY, 525 ANDERSON AVE.
MONTHLY DISCUSSION CELEBRATING WOM-EN’S RESILIENCE AND ACHIEVEMENTS.

BUILD IT SATURDAYS (LEGO®)
FIRST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH - 12:00–1:30 PM
COOS BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY, 525 ANDERSON AVE.
OPEN LEGO BUILDING

FOR AGES 0–14. KIDS UN-DER 11 MUST BE ACCOM-PANIED BY AN ADULT.

BUILD IT CHALLENGE (LEGO®)
SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH - 3:00–4:00 PM
COOS BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY, 525 ANDERSON AVE.
BUILD THEMED LEGO CREATIONS USING THE LIBRARY’S BRICK COL-LECTION.

PARKINSON’S SUP-PORT GROUP
SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH - 1:00–2:30 PM
COOS BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY, MYRTLEWOOD ROOM
SUPPORT AND CONNec-TION 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 OPPORTU-NITIES FOR ALL ACTIVITY LEVELS FOCUSED ON COMMUNITY BEAUTIFI-CATION.

AMERICAN COUNCIL OF THE BLIND – SOUTH-WEST CHAPTER
SECOND SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH - 11:30 AM
MEETING: 12:00 PM
VENTURE INN RESTAU-RANT, 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 CONVER-SATION 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 MONTH-LY 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 PRAC-TICE FOR ALL SKILL LEVELS.

COMMUNITY COOKING WITH THE CO OP (VIR-TUAL)
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 PRESCHOOLERS AND HOMESCHOOLERS.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday Bay Area Wednesday Business Connection
WEDNESDAY BUSI-NESS CONNECTION LUNCHEONS, BAY AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
EVERY WEDNESDAY STARTING SEPT. 2, 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM
KO-KWEL CASINO RE-SORT, SALMON ROOM
THE BAY AREA CHAM-BER OF COMMERCE’S WEDNESDAY BUSI-NESS CONNECTION LUNCHEONS RETURN TO THE KO-KWEL CASINO RESORT FOR ANOTHER SLATE OF INFORMATIVE FORUMS AND PRESENTATIONS PERTAINING TO LOCAL BUSINESSES AND POLITICS. THE OPEN-ING SLATE OF GUESTS INCLUDE:
OCTOBER 7 - CON-GRESSWOMAN VAL HOYLE AND MONIQUE DESPAIN

ARTIST TALK AT COOS ART MUSEUM: JOE CANTRELL
OCTOBER 9, 3:00 PM
COOS ART MUSEUM

FREE TO THE PUBLIC. CANTRELL IS CHER-OKEE, ORIGINALLY FROM TAHLEQUAH, OKLAHOMA, AND HAS MADE HIS HOME IN OREGON FOR THE LAST 30 YEARS. CANTRELL UTILIZES EXTREMELY CLOSE-UP MACRO IMAGES TO REVEAL FORMS INSIDE OF ROCKS AND FOSSILS. ADAPT-ING SPY SATELLITE IMAGING SOFTWARE FOR ARTISTIC PUR-POSES, CANTRELL ALSO PHOTOGRAPHS ROCKS AND PICTO-GRAMS IN THE CO-LUMBIA RIVER GORGE, OFTEN REVEALING REMARKABLE THINGS THAT THE NAKED EYE CANNOT SEE.

COOS BAY LIONS CLUB 36TH ANNUAL 8TH GRADE INVITA-TIONAL VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT
OCTOBER 9 – 10
MARSHFIELD JU-NIOR HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL
THE COOS BAY LIONS CLUB IS EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THE RETURN OF ITS 36TH ANNUAL 8TH GRADE INVITATIONAL VOL-LEYBALL TOURNA-MENT. THE ANNUAL TOURNAMENT BRINGS TOGETHER MIDDLE SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL TEAMS FROM COM-MUNITIES THROUGH-OUT THE STATE FOR A WEEKEND FILLED WITH COMPETITIVE VOLLEYBALL, SCHOOL SPIRIT, SPORTSMAN-SHIP AND FUN. TEAMS WILL COMPETE IN 1A, 2A, AND 3A BRACK-ETS, WITH POOL PLAY BEGINNING FRIDAY EVENING AND BRACK-ET PLAY CONTINUING THROUGHOUT SATUR-DAY.

THE LOST VIRGINITY TOUR AT THE DOL-PHIN PLAYHOUSE
OCTOBER 9 - OCTOBER 25
DOLPHIN PLAY-HOUSE, EMPIRE FOUR FRIENDS, FOUR UNFORGETTABLE STORIES, AND ONE HILARIOUS ROAD TRIP. THE LOST VIRGINITY TOUR FOLLOWS FOUR WOMEN FROM AN ARIZONA RETIREMENT COMMUNITY AS THEY

REVISIT THE PLACES WHERE THEY LOST THEIR VIRGINITY, SHARING LAUGHTER, MEMORIES AND LONG-HELD SECRETS ALONG THE WAY. CATCH THIS FUNNY AND HEART-FELT COMEDY OC-TOBER 9–25 AT THE DOLPHIN PLAYHOUSE. FRIDAY AND SATUR-DAY SHOWS ARE 7:00 - 9:00 PM, SUNDAY MATINEES FROM 2:00 - 4:00 PM. TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE!

MACRAME 101 WITH LAURIE ANN GREENBERG
OCTOBER 17, 1:00-4:00 PM
CAM STUDIO
LEARN THE BASIC MACRAME KNOTS FOR A VARIETY OF PROJ-ECTS. BY THE END OF CLASS, YOU’LL MAKE YOUR OWN KEYCHAIN. REGISTER ONLINE AT COOSARTMUSEUM.ORG

-- **CELTIC HARP W/ LISA LYNNE AND ARYEH FRANKFURTER**
OCTOBER 17, 6:00 PM
NORTH BEND PUBLIC LIBRARY
THE NORTH BEND PUBLIC LIBRARY IS DE-LIGHTED TO WELCOME BACK ACCLAIMED HARPISTS LISA LYNNE AND ARYEH FRANK-FURTER FOR A FREE CONCERT ON SATUR-DAY, OCTOBER 17 AT 6:00 PM. THIS CELEBRATED MULTI-INSTRUMEN-TALIST DUO BRINGS A RICH BLEND OF CELTIC HARPS, SWED-ISH NYCKELHARPA, UKRAINIAN BANDURA, BOUZOUKI, CITTERN, AND MORE TO THEIR PERFORMANCES. HAILING FROM OR-EGON, LYNNE AND FRANKFURTER HAVE BUILT REMARKABLE CAREERS TOURING EXTENSIVELY ACROSS THE COUNTRY AND INTERNATIONALLY. BOTH BEGAN AS ROCK MUSICIANS AND STREET PERFORMERS BEFORE CARVING OUT A UNIQUE PLACE IN THE FOLK AND ACOUS-TIC MUSIC WORLD.

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Bandon WESTERN WORLD

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As I See It

ByMary Schamehorn

Over the years, erosion has been a continuing problem on the riverside of the South Jetty parking lot. The first photo was taken in June of 1979 as work was underway to control erosion near the Bandon Boatworks restaurant, which has been closed for some years.

I still remember working for Western World in the part of the McKay’s Market building that today is the produce/deli section. This photo, taken in September of 1970, shows the portion of the building which housed the newspaper office before the paper moved downtown into the space now housing Bandon Coffee Cafe. The sign on the front of the McKay’s Market advertises MarLen Jewelers, which was operated by Marjorie Vedder.

The third picture was taken in August of 1979 of the intersection of Baltimore Avenue and Second Street. The art gallery space is now the home of Coastal Mist, and the Kronenberg & Waldrop Insurance building is now occupied by Sassy Seagull.

I have been determined not to answer Dan Chan-

The inference that Madeline and I were somehow in violation because we used our own private emails for city business is ridiculous. During the years that Chandler was city manager, five members of the council (Brian Vick, Madeline Seymour, Geri Procetto, Chris Powell and I) used our private emails and he never said a word. I received hundreds of emails from him on my marys@coosnet.com email during his tenure as we worked well together, and never once did he suggest I use a city email.

Yes, we lost two good planning directors within a year. Dana Nichols resigned and was very soon hired back as a consultant on the Gravel Point development and other projects by City Manager Torrey Contreras for \$90 an hour. Our Human Resources director said that Jeff Mitchem planned only to stay a year (he left after 9 months), reportedly to be vested in the state retirement system. Neither were a city council hire nor did we have anything to do with their leaving.

I do not know what he



as things began to unravel. But I couldn’t change his mind.

Sorry that I had to use my column to answer these issues, but again it was not possible to do in advertising one-liners but some of my supporters felt it was neces-

the corner of Chicago Avenue and Second Street, now owned by Bill and Louise Moore, may have an offer on it. The building was recently tagged as an unsafe building after an inspection by the state fire marshal. I have heard that the asking price was \$275,000 and there may be at least one offer, with another party also interested. Over the years it housed a number of retail establishments and a restaurant, Pablo’s Corner.

After the fire it was built as the Arcade Gardens tavern by J.C. and Kitty Page, who lived upstairs. Mr. Page and former fire chief curly Woomer were partners in several business ventures, including the tavern.

At the Meet and Greet last Tuesday, Rotary president Anne McCaleb and Rotary golf tournament chair Dave Buche shared information about the Rotary’s upcoming Art Roberson Memorial Golf Tournament, Saturday, Oct. 3. at Bandon Crossings Golf Course. The proceeds benefit Coos County Veterans, and include several hole-in-one prizes, including \$10,000 in cash offered by Bain

their ballots, which are being mailed, starting Oct. 14. Google “League of Women Voters Coos YouTube.”

Coos County Commissioner John Sweet called me last week to say that the Seven Devils project should be open for traffic on the contractual finish date of “Oct. 8 or so.” This has been a huge project, with a cost of around \$300,000, and the work being done by Knife River. That section of road has been closed since a big rainstorm in March of 2025 caused a sink hole in the road.

It was great to see Ann Remy at our Bandon History Museum board meeting and again on Saturday at the Bandon Fire program. Ann and her late husband, Dr. Del Remy, made Bandon their home for decades before she moved to Florida to be near her daughter LeeAnn, who she accompanied to Bandon for a 10-day visit. Son Gary and his family live in Bandon.

In keeping with a recent announcement by the Coos County Animal Shelter, the Bandon Police Department has posted that they are no longer able to accept animals

December 2023 and August 2026. She spent a short time in the Coos County Jail before she posted bail.

The winners of the 2026 Port of Bandon Boardwalk Art Show have been announced.

Adult Open, 1. Kathleen Morey Bailey; 2. Jillian McGill; 3. Dan Hill; Honorable Mention, Carol Howald, Michaeline McDonald, Melanie Duncan; Under 19: 1. Claire Briggs; 2. Marley Petrey; 3. Kai Schirmer; Honorable Mention, Alia Orenelas, Cece Couch and Chloe Wilson; Under 13, 1. Jonah Adams; 2. Anna Jenkins; 3. Aiden Johnson; Honorable Mention, Samantha Schoen, Abby Keeler, Morgan Martingale; People’s Choice Awards, Adults: Dan Hill; Student: Claire Briggs.

learned that the pilot whose plane crashed into the Pacific Ocean Sept. 21 near Yaquina Head Lighthouse was a former Newport city councilor Ralph Busby III, 78. Witnesses were stunned when they watched the plane plow into the ocean and instantly disappear. Two Motor-life boats and a Coast Guard helicopter searched the area, but at last report, found no trace



dler’s posts on social media, but a recent ad titled “City Hall Chaos” in the By The Sea Bulletin was impossible to ignore so I needed the space my column affords as the truth is hard to fit into one-liners.

As to why we lost the last five city managers, Matt Winkel (after 20 years) and Dan Chandler retired, Chris Good and Robert Mawson were great guys, and seemed competent when the Prothman Company brought them to us, but both had a very hard time adjusting to the job, and eventually resigned. Torrey Contreras and the council signed a separation agreement, which his attorney presented to us.

is referring to when he said I deleted public records. I provided several thousand records for him, both emails and text messages. Not sure what he was looking for, but apparently, he did not find it.

If the planning department was gutted, it had nothing to do with the city council. These are management decisions.

Yes, we have lost several great department heads, particularly Tim Lakey who had finally had enough and chose to go to work for the fire department as the assistant chief, a job which he loves. He was a strong supporter of mine, which I appreciated. He thanked me for supporting our dedicated employees

sary! Others preferred I just ignore the charges, but the journalist in me just couldn’t stay silent.

I recently received a progress update about the Old Rogge Mill RV Resort, which is planned as a 130-site luxury RV resort on the former Rogge Mill site adjacent to Bullards Bridge.

A spokesman for the Outdoor Superstar group said “permitting and agency review is in the final stages, and are continuing to move forward.”

Old Rogge Mill RV Resort has partnered with one of Coos County’s leading invasive-species specialist to develop a tailored 10-year restoration plan. I will have more on that in the coming weeks.

I have learned that Cam Marlowe, who recently spent a year as interim finance director at Southern Coos Hospital and Health Center, has joined North Bend Medical Group as finance director, working out of their North Bend office. He previously worked for Curry General in Gold Beach.

I understand the old Arcade Garden building on



Insurance.

A beautiful patriotic quilt has been donated by McCaleb, and tickets of \$20 each or 6 for \$100 can be purchased at Bandonrotary.org, or on the Bandon Rotary Facebook page. Cost of play is \$100 per golfer, which includes green fees, cart and lunch. Preregistration preferred, with forms available at bandoncrossings.com.

People have been asking how they can watch the League of Women Voters candidate forum Wednesday, Oct. 7, 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the Barn/Community Center if they are not able to attend. LWV records their forums and makes a YouTube video, which will be linked from the election page on their website a few days after the forum. They assured voters that it will be on their website before voters start receiving

at this time. “We do not have the resources or ability to properly care for animals. Please do not bring stray, found or surrendered animals to us. We want to help, but accepting animals without the proper resources will put them at risk,” said Bandon PD post.

The Assistant Superintendent for the Coos County Fair, Maria R. Padgett (48), Coquille, was arrested on 16 counts of Aggravated Theft I concerning a report of embezzlement from a business located in the 57000 block of Fairview Road near Coquille. The business was reported to be Three Rivers Construction. Padgett, who was also reportedly treasurer of the Coos 4-H Association and the Coos Youth Auction, was the company’s ex-bookkeeper and was charged with stealing over \$300,000 between

of the plane or the pilot. The Coast Guard said the plane apparently entered the water at a high rate of speed and sank. Over the course of 12 hours, responders thoroughly searched 124 square miles.

In just the month of September, there have been three pedestrians killed while walking in the lane of traffic in Lincoln, Lane and Coos counties. As we approach the dark winter months, it is important to be on the lookout for people who are apparently are walking in the road for some unknown reason.

It is dangerous for the pedestrian and the unsuspecting driver.

Last week I reported on the sad story of the triple fatality in downtown Myrtle

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FLASH GORDON
9/19 BY JIM KEEFE

FLASH GORDON
DALE ARDEN

...FLASH MAKES HIS ESCAPE!
TURNING ON THAT DEVICE WAS JUST THE BREAK I NEEDED.
THANKS.
NO... PROBLEM?

YOU'RE LIABLE TO BE IN AS MUCH TROUBLE AS I AM. YOU'D BETTER COME WITH ME.
HANG ON!
THE MONSTER... IT'S GONE!
AND SO IS GORDON!
NEXT: THIEF IN THE NIGHT!

AS THE POLICE ARE MOMENTARILY DISTRACTED BY THE MONSTROUS HOLOGRAM THAT TOWERS BEFORE THEM...
CALL FOR BACKUP!



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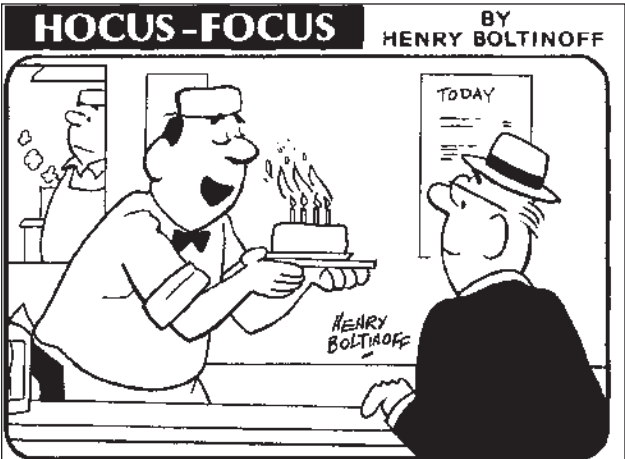
"It drives great! How does it tow?"

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THIMBLE THEATRE PRESENTS
POPEYE
BY RANDY MILLERLAND

SO, I READ THAT CATS DO CUTIE, PRECOCIOUS THINGS TO GET HUMANS TO FEED THEM, LIKE BAT AT THEIR FACE AS THEY SLEEP.
WELL, I'M HUNGRY... AND I'M SORT OF SIMILAR TO A CAT.
YOU HIT ME WITH A TOASTER WHILE I WAS ASLEEP!
IT'S NOT MY FAULT YOU'RE UNCIVILIZED AND DON'T HAVE A WAFFLE IRON!



HOCUS-FOCUS
BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

TODAY

HENRY BOLTAOFF



GREAT NEWS!
I MADE CONTACT WITH MR. KATZENJAMMER'S FAMILY AND SET UP HIS RETURN!
GREAT. YOU GOT EVERYONE SEA HAG'S SISTER KIDNAPPED BACK TO THEIR HOMES OR INTO NEW LIVES BUT ME, WHO'S STUCK WEARIN' TODDLER CLOTHING AND UNABLE TO BUY CIGARS.
AINT YOUR DOG-THING MAGIC? CAN'T HE SEND ME BACK HOME?
TRUST ME, IF EUGENE COULD SEND YOU AWAY, HE WOULD...
"THIMBLE THEATRE," MAY 31, 2026



SPECIALS

Differences: 1. Word is different, 2. Glasses are missing, 3. Sleeve is different, 4. Hat is larger, 5. Back of stool is added, 6. Mouth is different.

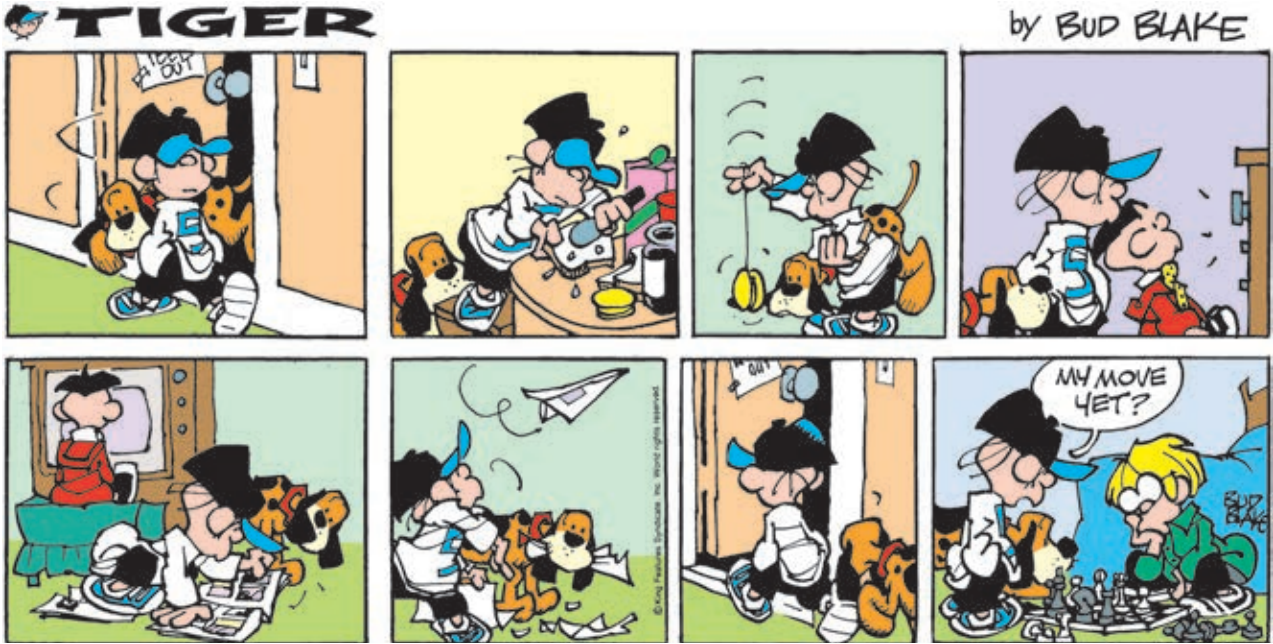


I HATE THIS! I WANT TO BE SOMEWHERE I BELONG! WITH OTHERS LIKE ME!
NOT YOU WEIRD, FURLESS ABOMINATIONS! IT'S NOT FAIR!
AWW, MR. JACK, IT'S OKAY. I THINK I KNOW JUST WHERE YOU CAN RESTART YOUR LIFE.
IT'S NOT GONNA PAN OUT, MISS, FOR A ZOO TO WORK, THE ANIMALS NEED TO BE LIKABLE.
WHAT SORTA OUTFIT IS THIS? THEY MISPELLED MY NAME. WHY WOULD THEY CALL ME "MR. SNACK"?
Meet Our Tigers
Snake Lake
ZOO



Just Like Cats & Dogs
by Dave T. Phipps

I GOT THE RECIPE FROM MY BUDDY. HE COULDN'T REMEMBER SOME INGREDIENTS SO I JUST ADDED BUTTER AND SALT.



TIGER
by BUD BLAKE

MY MOVE YET?



Prince Valiant
BY SCHULTZ AND YEATES

VAL HAS DETERMINED THAT KAREN AND HER COMPANIONS MUST BE HEADED FOR THE PORT OF THERA, AND SETS HIS COURSE TO FOLLOW.

BUT KAREN'S BOAT IS NOT HEADED FOR THERA; RATHER IT PULLS CLOSE BY A SMALL ISLAND MORE HOURS FROM THE ROYAL HARBOR.

KAREN HAD, INDEED, PLANNED ON SAILING TO THERA; BUT GURVAN AND THE OLD ARAB MURSHID HAVE PRESENTED HER WITH AN ALTERNATIVE - ONE THAT THEY HAD APPARENTLY PLANNED WELL IN ADVANCE.



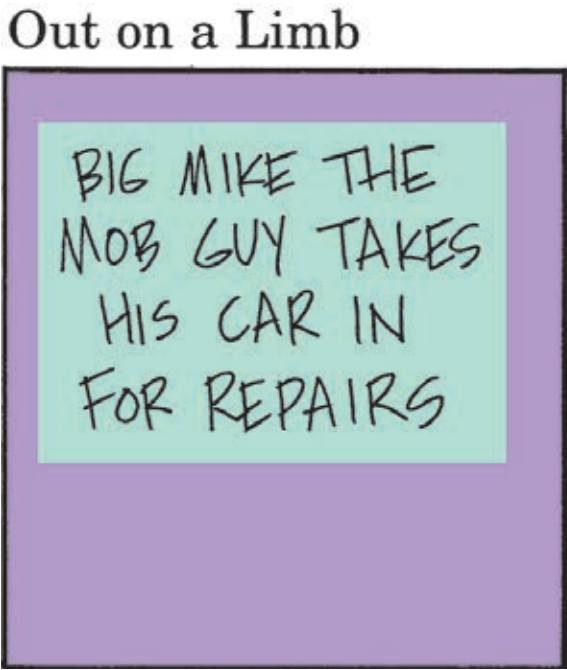
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KAREN GULPS HARD AND AGREES TO THEIR PLAN. THEY PULL PAST THE ISLAND'S PORT TO A MARSHY SEA CREEK. THE SAILS ARE LOWERED AND THE VESSEL IS ROWED UPSTREAM.

IT ROUNDS A BEND, AND THERE, WAITING FOR THEM, IS A SPEEDY SEA-WORTHY SAMBUK.

"THIS ENTERPRISE TO WHICH WE COMMIT," MURSHID SMILES AT KAREN, "IS A MUCH GREATER THING THAN I THINK YOU SUSPECTED." KAREN WONDERS JUST WHAT SHE HAS GOTTEN HERSELF INTO. NEXT: The coming battle



Out on a Limb

BIG MIKE THE MOB GUY TAKES HIS CAR IN FOR REPAIRS

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IT MAKES A THUD SOUND. A KA-THUD, KA-THUD, THUMP, THUMP NEAR THE TRUNK. HEY, WAIT A MINUTE...

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by Gary Kopervas

State and Area News

Here’s how Oregonians want the state to address its transportation budget crisis

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Oregon Capital Chronicle

Oregonians ranked maintaining and preserving highways and bridges and improving safety as the top priorities they think the Oregon Department of Transportation should focus on as it looks to resolve a \$200 million budget gap in the 2027-29 budget cycle.

Between August and September, the group Gov. Tina Kotek tasked with vetting solutions to the state’s transportation budget crisis surveyed Oregonians about what they think the state’s spending priorities should be. The Oregon Capital Chronicle obtained a copy of the survey responses, as well as an analysis of the responses compiled by Department of Transportation staff.

About 8,650 Oregonians from all counties except Wheeler County responded to the survey. More than 60% of respondents live in the Portland metro area, according to the survey analysis. In 2024, nearly half of Oregon’s population lived

in the Portland metro area, according to a state economic analysis.

Survey comments express frustration with spending, emphasize public transit

The first question in the survey asked respondents to rank six transportation priorities:

- Improving safety
- Reliable public transit
- Easier to bike and walk
- Better traffic flow
- Maintaining the system, such as fixing potholes, clearing debris and snow
- Preserving key assets, such as bridges and roads needing replacement

Maintaining the transportation system was ranked as the top priority in the survey, followed by preserving key assets, improving safety, making it easier to bike and walk, reliable public transit and better traffic flow.

Nearly 4,600 people included comments in their answers to this question, including hundreds who expressed their frustration with cuts to TriMet, Portland’s public

transportation system. Many of them said they rely on public transportation because they cannot afford a car or because of health issues.

The department did not include commenters’ names in its records release, or any other identifying information aside from each respondent’s zip code.

“I’m an avid public transportation user because my life was altered by a driver hitting me while I was cycling in the bike lane during the day,” a person wrote. “Making the roads safer for all, especially pedestrians and cyclists, is important. Public transit is the greenest and most viable option, especially when coupled with reliability and safety.”

Nearly 40 comments said they want the state to focus on increasing wildlife crossings, which wasn’t listed as a priority option in the survey.

Other comments expressed frustration with the department’s financial efficiency, asking that it creates more cost-effective ways to complete projects.

“No new taxes,” a person wrote. “There are too many taxes in Oregon. Reduce expenses first. Increase efficiency,” another person wrote.

The second question in the survey asked Oregonians how they would allocate transportation funding, asking them to put the percentage of funding they think each priority category should receive. The survey analysis shows respondents said the transportation agency should focus its funding on maintaining its infrastructure, followed by focusing on preserving assets and public transit.

The third question asked respondents about what type of transportation service reductions would impact them the most. The answers mirrored responses to the first question, saying not maintaining the system, preserving key assets and improving safety would impact them the most.

The last question was an optional and open-ended question, asking Oregonians what a well-managed

transportation system looks like to them.

Of the more than 6,800 responses to this question, an analysis conducted by Oregon Department of Transportation staff found that 20% of responses want a transportation system that offers different transit options that works for people of all income levels and communities.

“A successful transportation system gives people the freedom to choose what transportation mode they wish to use by equally investing in making them all safe and reliable,” one respondent wrote.

Another 19% of responses called for more reliable public transit options, while 17% of responses said the transportation agency should focus on budgeting and delivering projects.

The remaining responses asked the agency to focus on maintaining roads and bridges, improving traffic flow and eliminating perceived wasteful spending.

“Stop pushing ridiculously expensive freeway expansion projects that do nothing at all to address safety, congestion, connectivity or reliability in our transportation system...” a person wrote. “Develop and maintain a transportation system that provides options people can afford, rather than mandate car ownership.”

Kotek’s workgroup will hear the results of the findings at its next meeting on Oct. 9. The group has until the end of the year to present its transportation funding recommendations to the governor.

<https://oregoncapital-chronicle.com/2026/09/29/heres-how-oregonians-want-the-state-to-address-its-transportation-budget-crisis/>

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Commentary

The forests Oregon ‘protected’ are burning

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Oregon made history this summer, and not the celebratory kind. It’s a wakeup call: The system is broken and fixing it requires new thinking.

Over 2.5 million acres burned — more than any in recorded history, and 92% are on public lands. In the last decade, almost all catastrophic wildfire originated on public lands.

Something needs to change, and the now mostly contained Grasshopper Fire in the Mt. Hood National Forest is a prime example.

Beginning in 2019, the Wasco County Forest Collaborative — with representation from tribes, timber, conservation, state agencies and local groups — worked with the U.S. Forest

Service on the Grasshopper Restoration Project to reduce hazardous fuels and wildfire risk.

After four years, the collaborative reached consensus on treating 5,280 acres — roughly one-half of 1% of the Mt. Hood National Forest — using Biden administration funds for high wildfire risk landscapes. Professional foresters and scientists concluded treatments would reduce wildfire risk.

One activist group was invited to participate, declined and then sued over the project. The Forest Service settled, making minor changes and paying the group’s attorneys \$55,000 in taxpayer dollars. They celebrated “halting the logging of mature and old growth trees” in their annual report.

Now those “protected” acres are burning in the nearly 94,000-acre Grasshopper Fire, and years of collaboration were wasted.

Oregonians should be outraged.

No one is satisfied with summers defined by wildfire. We all want healthier forests and fewer catastrophic fires. That’s not controversial.

But here’s where the conversation gets uncomfortable.

When a proposed solution includes the word “logging,” many Democrats recoil. We say this as two native Oregonians who have worked within the Democratic Party.

That response is rooted in outdated ideology. A lot has changed in 50 years, including the climate and science-based forest practices. We can actively manage forests and protect the environment.

Policies born from debates in the 1970s shouldn’t be untouchable in 2026.

Case in point: In 2022, the timber industry worked with environmental groups to overhaul environmental protections on Oregon’s private forestlands. It was the most sweeping change to forest practices in 50 years. We rewrote laws dating to 1971,

organizations recognize the importance of these tools.

But anti-forestry groups have gained influence within the Democratic Party, contributing to a political culture where logging is viewed exclusively as an environmental threat.

The Grasshopper should cause Democrats to reconsider old assumptions. And Grasshopper is not an anomaly.

Breakthrough Institute found 10 organizations files 67% of forest management lawsuits examined. They won fewer than 25% of their cases, yet even unsuccessful lawsuits delayed implementation an average 3.7 years. During those delays, wildfire steps in.

Democrats serious about climate change should support active management tools before wildfire determines what these landscapes look like for generations. That includes cutting trees, and it must be economically viable.

California Democrats are leading by suspending environmental regulations to expedite wildfire mitigation. Oregon Democrats should consider ideas like this.

The party should also reconsider the influence anti-forestry groups have on

forest policy. Collaboration means different interests working through disagreements to find common ground — not obstructing progress in court while forests burn.

Democrats can lead on this issue. Protecting Oregon’s forests today requires more active management, modernized policies and greater trust in professional land managers.

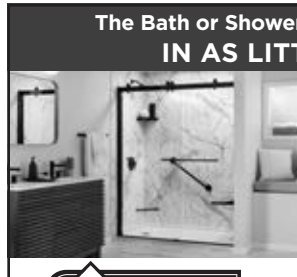
Chris Edwards is the president of the Oregon Forest Industries Council and a former Democratic legislator in the Oregon Legislature.

Travis Joseph is president and CEO of the American Forest Resource Council and former senior policy adviser to Democrats on the U.S. House Natural Resources Committee.

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Obituaries

Mary Claire Kronsberg Stilwell

June 19, 1956 – February 19, 2026



Mary Claire Kronsberg Stilwell was born in North Bend, Oregon, to Gus and Gert Kronsberg, the fourth of six children. Mary spent her childhood in North Bend, attending Coos Catholic School and making friends. She attended North Bend High School and graduated in 1974. Following her graduation she went to Southwestern Oregon Community College for two years and went on to

Oregon State University and graduated with a degree in Home Economics. Mary was drawn to the Pacific Northwest and lived many years in the Seattle area and later in the Bremerton area where she met and married her husband, John Stilwell. Mary loved the warm weather in southern California. She bought a home in Indio in 2013 and spent the winters there until 2023 when she and John decided to live there full time. While living in Indio, Mary attended college at UC Riverside to obtain a degree in Interior Design. She loved everything about interior designing including bright colors! Mary will be remembered for her great sense of humor, her love for cooking, following the Seattle

Seahawks, reading, and a deep love for her cats. Mary was preceded in death by her parents and oldest sibling, Charlie, brother in law Mike Johnson, and husband John, who died in February 2024. She is survived by her siblings, Tom Kronsberg (Anita), Anne Johnson, Andy Kronsberg, and Rob Kronsberg (Vicki). Also, sister in law Dana Templin (Paul), and brother in law, James (Lori). She was fond of her nephews and nieces, Ben, Liz, Matt, Rachel, Kelli, Amy, Nathan, Keith, Clay, Josh, Jared, Emily, Ernest, and Prairie. At Mary’s request there will be no service. At a later date her ashes will be spread where she will join John.

Jessie Sutton Dietz

October 7, 1929 - September 17, 2026



Jessie G. Dietz passed away peacefully on September 17, 2026 in Florence Oregon. Jessie was born October 7, 1929, in Chehalis Washington to parents Orlando Hershel Sutton and Millie Ione Harris Sutton. Jessie was preceded in death by her husband, C. Kenneth Dietz, her parents Orlando and Millie, her brother Lester Sutton, and sisters Ada and Rowena. Jessie and Ken married in 1948 in Olympia Washington, Jessie’s home town. They traveled around Oregon and Washington while Ken worked construction for a few

years and then settled in Ken’s home town, Myrtle Point Oregon. Jessie had said, many times recently, that she missed her late husband, Kenneth Dietz, and that “It would be good to see him again. He was something!”. They were not just husband and wife, they were the best of friends. Together, Jessie and Ken raised their four children, Debra of Coquille OR, Crystal of Florence OR, Mark of Coos Bay OR, and Kenneth Duane of Portland OR. Crystal has one daughter, Danae, who has five children, Abassi, Charles, Acatiana, Ammara, Haje, and 2 grandchildren, Amazzi and Amaya. Mark and his wife Helen have two children, Keneta - married to Terrence Allen, and Donald with partner Maddy Ray. Jessie spent the earlier years with Ken raising kids, gardening, sewing, crocheting, and tending to the home, which sometimes included unusual visitors. A rescued baby

bear, a fawn, and baby elk joined the family for short periods until they could be relocated to proper care. In 1967, Jessie joined the US Postal Service. She applied for the job, took the test, not expecting to pass, but learned that she had scored the highest ever recorded in that office. She worked as a carrier, then a clerk until her retirement in 1990. The family often gathered for Holidays, birthdays, or Just Because days. They enjoyed playing board games (Jessie always won at SORRY), card games, or just sitting around telling stories and laughing. Jessie and Ken enjoyed many RV adventures around the United States. It wasn’t unusual for Ken to have the RV loaded and ready when he picked Jessie up after work and the family found out when they returned. Condolences may be addressed to Crystal Hall, 339 Northridge Drive, Florence OR 97439.

Death Notices

Mary Pedlar Fromme, 68, of North Bend, passed away on September 24, 2026 in North Bend. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

Annabelle M. Haga, 98, of Langlois, died September 27, 2026 in Port Orford. Arrangements are under the direction of Amling Schroeder, Bandon.

Jeffrey Allen Munsell, 50, of North Bend, passed away on September 28, 2026 in North Bend. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

Sharon (Banks) Palmer, 67, of Coos Bay, passed away August 4, 2026. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel Cremation & Funeral Service, 541-267-3131.

Richard Palmer, 71, of Coos Bay, passed away September 10, 2026. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel Cremation & Funeral Service, 541-267-3131.

Gemi Jean Schmitz, 62, of Coos Bay, passed away September 28, 2026 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 www.coosbayareafunerals.com

Lori Jean Bollig, 66, of North Bend, passed away on September 30, 2026 in North Bend. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

Kim V. Kimerling, 95, of Coos Bay, passed away on September 26, 2026 in Coos Bay. A graveside service was held on Friday, October 2, 2026 at Ocean View Memory Gardens Cemetery in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

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Think safety as you head out hunting this Fall

In the Pacific Northwest, many enjoy the great outdoors while hiking, camping, or hunting. Whether you are a seasoned hunter or just starting out, safety should always be the top priority. Before you grab your gear and start your next adventure, check out the hunting safety tips below. Tip for Hunters:

- Check the weather and plan accordingly.
- Tell someone where you will be hunting and when you will return. Leave a written plan at home and in your vehicle.
- Be familiar with the area and plan for local hazards.
- Consider using technology such as a handheld GPS, cellphone apps that use GPS, personal locating beacons (PLBs), or satellite messengers. These can help searchers find you if you are lost or injured.
- Avoid wearing white or tan during hunting seasons. Wear hunter orange and

make sure it is viewable from all directions.

- If accompanied by a dog, the dog should also wear hunter orange or a very visible color on a vest, leash, coat, or bandana.
- Check hunting equipment before and after each outing and maintain it properly. Familiarize yourself with its operation before using it in the field.
- Always bring rain gear and additional clothing. Use layering techniques to prevent moisture while retaining body warmth.
- Carry a first aid kit and know how to use it.
- Clearly identify your target before shooting to prevent accidents or fatalities.
- Be alert when hunting near developed areas and trails. Other recreationists are in the forest as well.

Tips for Outdoor Enthusiasts:

- Wear bright clothing to make yourself more visible. Choose colors that stand out, like red,

orange, or bright green, and avoid white, black, brown, earth-toned greens, or animal-colored clothing. Orange vests and hats are best.

- Protect your dog. Get an orange vest for them.
- Be courteous. Once a hunter is aware of your presence, don’t make unnecessary noise to disturb wildlife and avoid confrontations.
- Make yourself known. If you do hear shooting, raise your voice, and let hunters know that you are in the area.
- Know when hunting seasons are. You may choose to continue to hike but learn where and when hunting is taking place. Consider hiking midday when wild game and hunting activity is at its lowest.
- Know your own comfort level. If hunting makes you uneasy, choose a hiking location where hunting is not allowed, such as a national or state park.

CALENDAR/EVENTS

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BETWEEN THEM, THEY HAVE SOLD WELL OVER A MILLION ALBUMS, PERFORMED WITH SOME OF THE BIGGEST NAMES IN FOLK MUSIC, AND ENCHANTED AUDIENCES

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Point Sept. 19, but at the time I did not have the names. Gregory Paul Olson, 69, of Myrtle Point, was fleeing from an officer at a high rate of speed when he struck an oncoming vehicle near Myrtle Trees Motel, ultimately taking the lives of James Edward Price, 32, of Myrtle Point, 20-year-old

Genevieve Marie Huffaker of Coquille and their four-month-old daughter. Information shared by a local TV station indicated that Olson’s record contained five DUII cases, three reckless driving cases, two criminal DWS (driving while suspended), two failure to perform the duties of a driver and several criminal mischief cases. COMING EVENTS:

The next Chamber of Commerce Mixer will be Wednesday, Oct. 21, at 5 p.m. at Fin’s Family Fun arcade on Chicago Avenue. The public is invited to attend. Bandon Playhouse production of Frankenstein is set for the Sprague Theater on weekends from Oct. 23 through Nov. 1. The Oct. 31 show is a matinee so the cast can help with the Bandon Police Department’s Trunk-or-Treat

that evening. The annual Bandon History Museum’s “Night at the Museum” will be held Thursday night, Oct. 29, from 5 to 7, at the museum and the Lynam Event Center. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased at the museum. The evening will include food and beverages and a History Detective Challenge for adults.

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