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## Accused killer asks to represent himself in case

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A man being held on charges of killing four people during a violent rampage in North Bend last year is hoping to represent himself as his legal case moves toward trial.

Oen Evan Nicholson sent a hand-written letter to Judge Martin Stone in late January, informing the judge he no longer wishes to have legal representation.

"I will be proceeding in my case without the public defender

who was assigned to represent me," Nicholson wrote to Judge Stone. "They have already been informed of my decision. I fired them because I have no confidence in them. I respectfully request that you please remove them from this case. I am determined to represent myself in this matter."

The letter was dated January 26 and was received by the court January 27. A hearing was held February 7.

"I will be needing the discovery," Nicholson continued

in his letter. "Also, I believe that I should be in clothing such as a suit anytime I am in the courtroom."

After signing the letter, Nicholson added a postscript about potential evidence in the case.

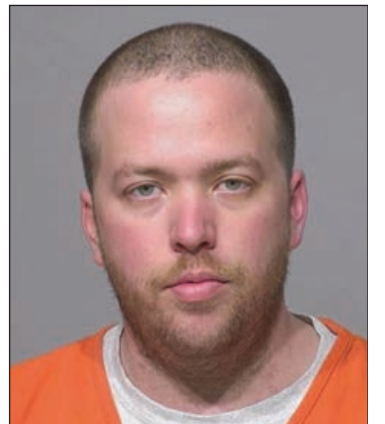
"It has come to my attention that the fifth wheel trailer will no longer be available or preserved as evidence," Nicholson wrote. "I strongly object to this as it still holds potentially valuable information pertinent to my defense."

Police allege Nicholson began a killing spree inside the trailer

that was parked at The Mill Casino RV Park, killing his own father in June 2021. As Nicholson fled, he allegedly ran over two people, killing one immediately while the other died weeks later.

Police allege Nicholson then drove to the Herbal Choices marijuana dispensary where he walked in a shot a store clerk.

He is being held on 12 counts of first degree murder, two counts of failure to perform duties of a driver and two counts of recklessly endangering another person.



Oen Evan Nicholson

## Coos Bay council picks new library design

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The Coos Bay City Council is moving closer to asking voters to support a \$20 million bond for a new library at John Topits Park.

At a meeting last week, the council voted unanimously to accept plans for a new library at the ridge at Topits Park. The option the council approve will call for a two-story library with all the books and other items on one floor and the meeting rooms on a second floor.

The council sided with the library steering committee, which looked at four options before choosing the two-story building designed like a "t".

The options were:

A - A single floor library, which was popular with the committee because it was all on one level.

B - A two-story library with most of the building on the top



Contributed rendering

The Coos Bay City Council chose this design for a proposed new library at John Topits Park. The city is expected to ask voters to approve a \$20 million bond issue to help pay for the library.

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## Council supports kayak launch, disc golf at Topits Park

By DAVID RUPKALVIS  
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John Topits Park could soon become a hive of activity in Coos Bay.

In addition to plans to build the city's new library at the park, the City Council unanimously threw its support behind two other projects slated for the park.

The council agreed to support work being done by Travel Southern Oregon Coast to install an ADA compliant kayak launch at the middle lake at Topits Park. TSOC will fund the work up to \$60,000.

The council also supported a proposal to bring a disc golf tournament to the park in May. Temporary tee boxes and nets would be set up for the two-day tourney. The council did ask organizers to provide spotters to warn park users of the event during the two-day tournament.

Councilor Carmen Matthews, who works with the Parks Commission, said the commission unanimously supported both proposals.

"The kayak launch is a really great idea," Matthews

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## Race for governor is heating up

### Starnes reaches out to South Coast Democrats

By DAVID RUPKALVIS  
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Patrick Starnes knows he's not the biggest name in the Democrat primary for Oregon governor, but he thinks that puts him in the perfect position to pull off a major upset.

Starnes, who ran for governor in 2018 as an independent, brought his campaign for governor to the South Coast this week, stopping in Brookings, Gold Beach, Port Orford and Coos Bay.

Starnes said he ran for governor four years ago with a goal of

reforming campaign finance laws in the state, and he still has that mission today.

"We're still fighting to get big money out of politics," he said. "We're one of five states that doesn't have limits. I'll be in Salem again pushing for limits. I'm role modeling limits in my campaign with a \$1,000 limit per person and no corporate monies."

Starnes brought up Measure 107 that was overwhelmingly approved, which gives the state the authority to set campaign finance rules. But even after the vote, the

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Patrick Starnes brought his campaign for governor to the South Coast this week, visiting Brookings, Gold Beach, Port Orford and Coos Bay.

## Drazan brings GOP campaign to the South Coast

By DAVID RUPKALVIS  
The World

Christine Drazan has risen to the top of the Republican party in Oregon through her work in the Legislature. She is now hoping that experience gives her a chance to represent the party in the race for governor.

This week, she brought her campaign to the South Coast, reaching out to voters who will pick the Republican candidate for governor. Drazan announced recently she is stepping down as the House Republican leader to focus on her campaign.

She said after decades of one-party rule, it is time for a new voice and a new vision in the governor's mansion.



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Christine Drazan, a Republican candidate for governor, talks to Sharon Waterman during a campaign stop in Coos Bay. The House Republican leader, Drazan hopes her experience helps her stand out in the crowded primary.

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said. "I really want to see this move forward."

But Matthews, and several council members, did have one concern - the new library is almost the same location.

"My position on the Library Steering Committee makes me

a little bit worried about moving forward with this with the tentative plan for parking in this location," Matthews said. "The kayak launch might warrant some discussion."

Councilor Stephanie Kilmer also raised the same concern.

"These kayak launches are fantastic," she said. "I've been able to use them. I'm totally behind the project, but I did

have some questions about the location."

And Kilmer wasn't alone.

"I had the same concerns with the new library," Councilor Rob Miles said. "I don't know if we need to delay the project."

After being assured, the library designers could take the kayak launch into consideration, the council unanimously supported the proposal.

Matthews told the council the disc golf tournament should not have a major impact on the park and could be a good opportunity to see if disc golf at Topits Park might be viable in the future.

"They're going to be setting up temporary tee sights and baskets," Matthews said. "It's only going to be for two days. It's going to be fairly low impact."

Kilmer said she was con-

cerned some of the many walkers and bikers could find themselves on the wrong end of a disc if one went awry.

"I just had some concerns about the layout," Kilmer said. "If it's a nice weather day, there's going to be a lot of users in the park."

After deciding to require spotters to be available, the council also supported the disc golf tourney.

## Library

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floor. This design was not popular with the steering committee.

C - A two-story option that had children's books on one floor and adult books on another. It was not popular due to the concept of splitting families apart during a visit.

D - The two-story proposal that was adopted by council. It also is designed to have outdoor space where classes can be taught and groups can meet.

Councilors Rob Miles and Carmen Matthews sat on the steering committee, with Miles saying the committee unanimously chose

option D.

"I think they were all good options," Miles said. "I think it was all unanimous that we chose option D due to the outdoor space."

That option also had two other advantages - it could be added onto in the future a new idea to add the police department's 9-1-1 dispatch center at the library could be added into the plans.

City Manager Rodger Craddock said Police Chief Chris Chapanar requested more room for the dispatch center, and the library would be an ideal site.

"We recently expanded the 9-1-1 center to include providing services to the city of the North Bend," Craddock said. "Current-

ly we have just adequate space to house those people, but we have no room to grow. We expect those services will grow."

Craddock explained Coos Bay provides dispatch services to not only Coos Bay, but North Bend, Coquille, the Coquille Tribal Police and SWOCC security. He said as the population grows, the need for dispatchers will, too.

"This is the opportunity that presents itself that we could design a center with adequate space and also take the 9-1-1 center out of tsunami zone," Craddock said. "This is a great opportunity."

Having the 9-1-1 dispatch center at the new library would also add security to the site, as someone

would be working 24 hours a day and police would routinely visit the center.

Councilor Stephanie Kilmer said after reviewing the options she was excited about the opportunities for the library.

"I think the reality is we say library and we think of something different than what this is," Kilmer said. "This is a center, and this just solidifies that as we move forward. This is an opportunity we have to put our stamp on something in the community that is very important."

But to actually get a new library, voters in Coos Bay have to be willing to pay for it. The council was given several options for bond packages that could be presented to voters. After discussing the options, the council agreed to move forward with a bond that would have the lowest early impact.

Voters in Coos Bay approved a bond to build a new fire department several years ago, and that bond is currently being paid. With that bond set to expire in 2027, the council chose a package that will only pay interest until the fire department bond is paid off.

While the council and most who took part in the meeting were in favor of the library, there was one

voice of dissent. During public comment, Scott Frasier told the council a new library simply isn't needed.

"The 911 call center is an ace that's thrown on the table to sway voters," Frasier said. "As I've said before, there is another public library that uses the same Coastline service as the other libraries in the county a few blocks from the proposed library site. Moving the library would remove another draw to the downtown area and cost the taxpayers in excess of \$20 million. We're in a digital age. Libraries has been very important in the past, but the technology is outdated their needs. I'm going to ask the voters to come out and say not at John Topits Park."

Mayor Joe Benetti thanked Frasier for his thoughts, but he disagreed on the need for a library.

"There's 300,000 visits, actual visits, every year to the library," the mayor said. "That is even with the younger generations. The library is a special place, that is a meeting place. It's more than books. It's a gathering place, it's a meeting place. I think the library's an important piece of our community. It's just as important as schools and good roads."

Several others who

spoke were firmly in favor of the new library.

"I think that libraries are an extraordinarily important community asset and I'm encouraged to hear of the council's support of the library," Gina Sutherland said.

"I am an avid reader and I believe that libraries are still a vital part of our community," Janice Langlains said. "I think it's important to remember this is not just for our residents, but we will have visitors that will stop by our library."

After voting for option D as the library site, the council reached a consensus in favor of the bond scenario that starts with interest only as well as plan to add the 9-1-1 dispatch center to the library. Any additional costs for the dispatch center would be paid for outside of the bond issue.

The council will formally approve the bond at its next meeting, sending the question to the voters during the May primary election.

Benetti said he is confident the bond will pass, but said the city must find a way to have a library regardless.

"If this does not pass we have to come up with a solution because this library will not exist," Benetti said.

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## North Bend man dies in accident

A 53-year-old North Bend man was killed early Saturday morning in a single-vehicle accident in Reedsport.

According a press release from the Reedsport Police Department, Russell Kenneth Lee died when he drove his motorcycle into a concrete wall at a high rate of speed.

Reedsport Police reported Officer Terry Lohf was on patrol at 1:50 a.m. Saturday when he came across what appeared to be a motorcycle accident at the intersection of Riverfront Way and East Rail Road Avenue.

Lohf was able to deter-

mine the motorcycle was the only vehicle involved and called for emergency medical services. When an ambulance arrived, Lee was declared dead at the scene.

The police department said they are still investigating to determine what led to the accident.

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# Wyden calls on IRS to end use of facial recognition for online accounts

Senate Finance Committee Chair Ron Wyden, D-Ore., called on the Internal Revenue Service to end the use of facial recognition software for users to access their tax information on IRS.gov, he wrote in a letter to Commissioner Charles Rettig today.

"The IRS does not use facial recognition for tax filing or to receive a refund, and the agency should not require facial recognition for any of the other important services it provides taxpayers," Wyden wrote.

"I have long argued that Americans should not have to sacrifice their privacy for security," Wyden continued. "The government can treat Americans with respect and dignity while protecting against fraud and identity theft. The IRS should take immediate steps to address the many valid concerns that have been raised by taxpayers about its use of facial recognition technology."

In recent weeks privacy and civil rights advocates have raised concerns about the IRS

decision to use facial recognition software by private vendor ID.me to verify taxpayers' accounts and access tax information online. The IRS does not require use of the system to e-file tax returns. However, users have reported hours-long waits to complete the verification process.

While the IRS effort to secure user accounts against fraud and scammers is laudable, Wyden's letter requests that the IRS transition to an existing government identity verifica-



tion service, Login.gov, which does not use facial recognition technology. Login.gov is already used by 40 million Americans to access 200 websites run by 28 federal agencies.

Cutting through red tape could allow Login.gov to offer

higher levels of security, and greater convenience for Americans. One option would be to expand pilot projects to allow in-person ID verification at U.S. Postal Service and Department of Veterans Affairs locations, Wyden said.

## Starnes

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Legislature has chosen not to set limits.

While campaign finance remains a cornerstone of Starnes' campaign, there are other issues important to him.

"I'm proposing OHP for all," he said. "I would use the sin tax we have on tobacco for junk food. Almost 300,000 working Oregonians have no insurance.

"When I did the numbers for the South Coast, Josephine, Curry, Coos, Douglas and even Florence, that's how many peo-

ple don't have insurance. That's a huge population with no insurance."

Starnes also brought up the homeless crisis in the state, saying there is a way to make improvements.

"I'm the only governor candidate who has proposed concrete solutions," he said. "I'm proposing the Oregon Shelter Fund, which is outside of the general fund."

The fund would collect money by imposing a vacancy fee on empty buildings, many owned by large banks that use them as tax write offs.

Starnes and his wife have made it a personal mission to get some of

those homes back in the housing system. Over the last few years, Starnes has purchased several older homes that were vacant and decaying and rebuilt the homes while living in them. They were then sold and the family moved on to another home.

"In our jurisdiction, we've found over 100 of these abandoned homes that can be restored," Starnes said. "My wife and I have found two of them and got them back in use."

Starnes said he noticed several homes in Coos and Curry counties while driving around that could be restored with a little time and effort.

While several Republican candidates for governor have visited the South Coast, Starnes is one of the first Democrats.

He said he grew up in the area in the small town of Looking Glass outside of Roseburg, so he knows what's important to the coast.

"Growing up as a kid, I felt it was one Oregon," he said. "I'd like to bring us back to one Oregon. That's why I'm concentrating on issues. I'm a red-county Democrat. We're used to being outnumbered and we're use to having them as neighbors."

While Starnes is not the biggest name in the Demo-

crat primary, he feels he is well positioned to pull off a surprise.

"With two big establishment Democrats and a populist like myself, I only need to finish third," he said. "I can beat Betsy Johnson and I can beat the

Republican in November."

As the calendar moves toward the May primary, Starnes said he will work for every vote he can get.

"I'll keep hitting the streets and hitting all the little media, even talk radio," he said.

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ents, and download the nomination form, visit the Southwestern Oregon Community College Foundation's webpage at [www.socc.edu/foundation/meet-our-alumni](http://www.socc.edu/foundation/meet-our-alumni).

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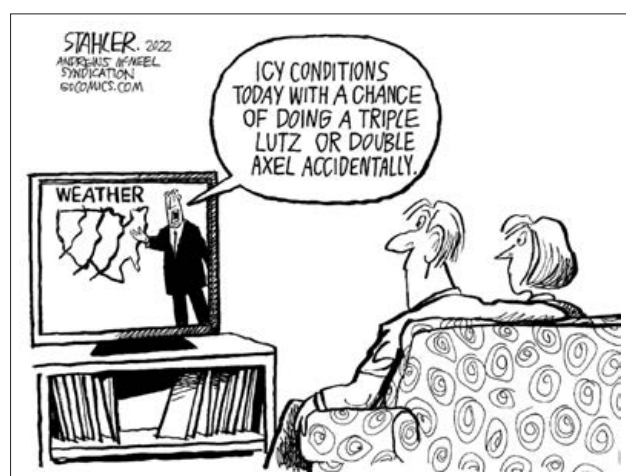
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Gloria Dei Lutheran Church-ELCA</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Join us Online</b> <b>10 am every Sunday</b> Facebook Live or call our office for the Zoom link.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>1290 Thompson Rd. Coos Bay</b> <b>541 267-2347</b> <a href="http://www.gloriadeifamily.org">www.gloriadeifamily.org</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>BAY AREA FOURSQUARE CHURCH</b></p> <p>466 Donnelly (across from the new Coos Bay Fire Station) Glorifying, Proclaiming and Showing Christ to all Pastors: David &amp; Marilyn Scanlon (541) 269-1821</p> <p>Sunday School....(all ages through Adult)..... 9:00 am - 9:45 am Sunday Worship....(Nursery &amp; Children's Church Provided)..... 10:00 am</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>We also have small group ministries meeting throughout the week.</i> E-mail: <a href="mailto:Ba4@ba4.org">Ba4@ba4.org</a> Website: <a href="http://www.ba4.org">www.ba4.org</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COQUILLE FOURSQUARE CHURCH</b></p> <p>1546 North Hemlock St., Coquille • 541-396-5548 All are Welcome - Christ is the center of who we are and all we do Pastors: Sam &amp; Lovena Flaherty</p> <p>Sunday School.....9:20 am - 10:20 am Sunday Worship..... 10:30 am Celebrate Recovery (meal provided) every Thursday 6-9 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><a href="http://www.pcfoursquare.org">www.pcfoursquare.org</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Reedsport Christian Church</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">2795 Frontage Road in Reedsport</p> <p>Sunday School.....9:30 am Sunday Morning Worship ..... 10:45 am</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Pastor Whiteman</b> <b>541-271-3756</b></p>

# Opinion

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### Guest Opinion

## A Word, Please: Grammar can be easy and hard

By JUNE CASAGRANDE

Sometimes grammar is easy. You don't even have to understand it to get it right. For example, without knowing the first thing about verb conjugation or subject pronouns, you probably have no difficulty choosing between "I want pizza" and "Me wants pizza."

Other times, grammar is hard — so hard that even editors and writers struggle to understand what we're doing. Case in point: a recent Twitter poll by Ellen Jovin, grammar expert and author of the forthcoming book "Rebel Without a Clause."

She asked followers — many of them professional editors and all of them language buffs — to choose between "What she enjoys is dictionaries" and "What she enjoys are dictionaries." Exactly 42.9% of respondents chose "is" and 42.9% chose "are." Just 11.9% chose "could be either."

If you're ever taking a multiple choice quiz about grammar and find yourself stumped, "could be either" is usually a good guess. English is flexible. There's often more than one way to say something grammatically. Plus, even constructions that defy the rules of grammar, like "aren't I" in place of "amn't I," can be idiomatic, which makes them acceptable.

So if you guessed "could be either" for Jovin's question, you would be right. But what if you don't want to guess? What if you want to understand how that sentence works?

I usually start with a dictionary. Among its many definitions of "what," Merriam-Webster's includes "the thing or things that." This means "what" can be singular or plural, so it can take a single or plural verb depending on the predicate noun: "What is kombucha" is right, and so is "What are fava beans?"

But in Jovin's sentence, it's not quite that simple because "what" isn't the subject of the sentence. A whole clause is: "what she enjoys."

So is our subject, "what she enjoys," singular or plural? Neither, exactly. But whether you should treat it as singular or plural mostly depends on whether "what" refers to something singular or plural. In Jovin's sentence, the "what"

means "dictionaries" — that's the noun in the predicate to which "what" refers.

"When the 'what' in the what-clause is the object of the clause and when the predicate noun following the main verb is plural, it tends to pull the verb with it," explains Merriam-Webster's Dictionary of English Usage. So because "dictionaries" is the predicate noun in Jovin's sentence and because it's plural, the sentence is best with the plural verb "are": "What she enjoys are dictionaries."

Note Merriam's language: "tends to pull the verb with it." This tells you we're not dealing with hard-and-fast rules. You have some flexibility. But if your "what" refers to something plural, a plural verb like "are" will probably work best.

Variations on these sentences can get complicated, like "What is puzzling are the complaints of some guests that the drinks were weak." It's easy to see why "are" is the natural partner of the plural "complaints." But the "is" in the subject clause doesn't seem to make sense until you realize that not all "whats" are governed by a noun in the predicate. In this case, "what" clearly means "the thing that," singular, even though the predicate noun, "complaints," is plural.

Garner's Modern American Usage explains that sentences like this arise through a process called inversion, which just means the way we flip some sentences around. "What is puzzling are the complaints" is just an inverted way of saying "the complaints are puzzling" that throws in the "what" simply for emphasis. If you want to understand these sentences in every possible form, pick up a usage guide like Merriam's or Garner's, which examine all the different ways that "what" clauses can work. But the bottom line is usually the same: When the "what" refers to something plural, it "tends to pull" the main verb along with it. In most cases, this means that whatever sounds best to you is the best choice — or at least a decent one.

— June Casagrande is the author of "The Joy of Syntax: A Simple Guide to All the Grammar You Know You Should Know." She can be reached at JuneTCN@aol.com.

## Letters to the Editor

### A good spot

North Bend says they don't have a place for the homeless to camp. When LNG was going to come in, they were going to house hundreds of these workers under the North Bend Bridge.

It would be a good option because one way in and out. If there was a problem in the camp, it would be much easier to contain and they would be pretty much out of sight.

Ron Cress  
North Bend

### No more taxes

North Bend hear these words. I cant afford to give you more tax money. I don't have it. I'm trying to live on SS retirement and already give you all I have. Last year, the bond went down so here you are again trying to slip it through. What do you want out of me? Do you want me on the streets with no home? City officials need to learn no mean no.

Tom Glersen  
North Bend

### Keep the childrens forest

I am working with Melissa Cribbins, Keith Tymchuk and Director of State Lands Vicki Walker, on the Elliott State Research Forest and understand the subject well. I have been in contact with Kent Tresidder about tree farms for so long I forgot when we met.

I have been representing the children of North Bend School District #13 for 11 years. The governor's obligation requires full compensation to decouple from the Common School Fund. Today she has SB 1546 in the Legislature starting this process. Since the original valuation has expired, the governor must obtain a current or valid fair market value first. For the last 10 years, the timber has grown and the price/ board foot has increased more than 7 percent annually.

When the governor attended the Glasgow Climate Accord, she became aware the value of sequestered carbon has increased to over \$1 billion dollars in the Elliott Children's Forest. SB1546 is asking for only \$121,000,000 to decouple (for a final pay out) to the Common School Fund. This is an outrageous take of promised funds and Advocates for School Trust Lands will represent School Districts in Oregon to get all the funds being lost to the decouple.

The only ethical solution I see is to declare the \$121,000,000 a take payment and keep the children's forest in the new independent Elliott State Research Forest Authority, as a public agency which will run it. "THAT WOULD BE THE OREGON WAY"

For further information go to Keep the Children's Forest: KeepTheChildrens.Org

David Gould  
North Bend

### Unnecessary, wasteful and harmful

The Airport District is apparently planning to construct a fence surrounding its 35+ acres of forested land in the Airport Heights District of North Bend. Why? To prevent the unhoused from using airport land for camping. But

there are no homeless people camping on airport property. The city of North Bend has determined it will not seek to use airport land to house homeless people.

Until recently, there were almost no signs telling people that camping was prohibited. There were a few faint ones on the blocks at the entrances to some of the trails, but you had to know where to look for them. So the airport wants to spend \$2 million of taxpayer money on a fence to keep out a few homeless campers before seeing if a few signs will accomplish the same thing?

The airport says it is applying for a \$2 million grant from the FAA to pay for this fence. In other words, taxpayers are paying for it. This is a completely unnecessary boondoggle and will result in the loss of wildlife habitat. While this proposed fence would have gates at the entrances to some of the trails, other trails would be lost. The fence would be an eyesore for the people using the area and to the neighborhoods that surround it.

Finally, I am puzzled as to how this plan came about. I have reviewed the minutes of all Airport Board meetings for 2021. I find no reference anywhere to a fence. Does the Airport Board allow its employees to spend millions of taxpayer dollars without any authorization? Was this authorized at some executive session? That would be illegal. ORS 192.660(2) lists what actions can be taken in an executive session and none of those appear to apply. And ORS 192.660(6) would appear to expressly prohibit making such a decision in executive session.

This fence is totally unnecessary, wasteful and, in fact, harmful.

John Meynink  
North Bend

### Missing in Action from the State of Union address

I wish Governor Brown had included the following in her address:

1. A combined action program by the state and city officials to end the state of lawlessness in parts of Portland where very few dare to go to downtown at night, and has scared away thousands from once again visiting the city. Portland has become a symbol of incriminate shootings, business robberies in broad daylight and lawless and unhealthy homeless camps. Businesses have closed and are still closing, men and women are losing their livelihood because of the deteriorating climate.

2. Commend all law enforcement agencies, especially city police departments, for all their hard work and losses in these last two tumultuous years. She could have added that communities expect fully funded police departments in order to protect their communities.

3. End the inside mask use in bars and restaurants and in any other businesses where food and drinks are served. The current mandate hurts businesses and does not make sense. People are required to wear their mask to go into the bar/restaurant, walk a few feet to the table and then remove the mask while they are seating in close proximity, breathing and exhaling on the ones closed by. This can last from 30 minutes to three hours or longer. Then we are supposed to do the reverse when exiting the place. So, who are protecting from COVID while dining?

Ivonne Richardson  
Reedsport

### Guest Opinion

## Imagine a great river, flowing free

By DAVE MARSTON

Some environmental groups and water honchos have sponsored a "Rewilding of Glen Canyon" contest, with the winner getting \$4,000 "and counting." The contest's goal is to reconnect the Colorado River above and below a dismantled dam, to restore the beauty of a glorious place now submerged by Lake Powell — just 26% full.

The usual suspects make up the rewilding sponsors: former Bureau of Reclamation Chief Dan Beard and Richard Ingebretsen's Glen Canyon Institute. There's also Clark County, Nevada Commissioner Tick Segerblom; Save the Colorado's Gary Wockner; and nature photographer John Fielder. Great Basin Water Network and Living Rivers are co-sponsors.

"Rewilding" is hardly a new concept. In 1996, draining Lake Powell was ballyhooed by David Brower and the Sierra Club, so much so that Congressional hearings were held, though mostly to denounce the very notion.

"Circus atmosphere" is how one observer described the packed hearings. Colorado Republican Sen. Ben Nighthorse Campbell went all the way over to the House to say, "This is a certifiably nutty idea," reported Ed Marston in High Country News.

It was the Glen Canyon Dam's heyday as cheap and plentiful electrical energy poured out of its eight hydro turbines. The 5-billion-kilowatt hours of power it produced each year was enough to power 650,000 homes. You could say that the Southwest's building boom was enabled by cheap electricity that made air conditioning routine.

The biggest opponents of plug-pulling 26 years ago were water managers from the Upper Basin states of Utah, Colorado, New Mexico and Wyoming. They considered Lake Powell their "savings account" to ensure compliance with the 1922 Colorado River Compact. Other opponents were the 3 million annual visitors to the reservoir, appalled at the mere suggestion of losing southern Utah's flatwater paradise.



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For decades, there has been talk about removing the Glen Canyon Dam, but what was once a "certifiably nutty idea" could become reality if some get their way.

Houseboat shares, for example, are passed down generationally like heirlooms.

Now, rewilding is back for consideration, and while the contest is fuzzy on details — see [www.rewildingcoloradoriver.org](http://www.rewildingcoloradoriver.org) — its goal is crystal clear: How do we pop the cork on the 710-foot-tall concrete and steel structure holding back Lake Powell, the artificial 186-mile-long lake rimmed by sandstone cliffs?

As the West faces increasing aridity, rewilding advocates see the Bureau of Reclamation, the agency that built and operates the dam, on its heels. Last year, it shifted water in a game of musical chairs, draining upstream reservoirs in Colorado, Wyoming, and New Mexico, to shore up Lake Powell. The water shuffle was barely enough as water levels in the reservoir plunged 50 feet.

Meanwhile, big technical challenges face the empty-Lake Powell crowd. More than 1,000 dams have been removed throughout the country, and nature seems to start healing the land quickly. But draining Lake Powell with existing water outlets is impossible: The lowest diversions are the so-called "river outlet works" at 3,370 feet of elevation, which is still 237 feet above the canyon floor.

To make a river wild, it has to flow fast, at grade. Yet at grade is where the rebar-reinforced, 300-foot base of the dam shoulders hundreds of millions of tons of fine sediments

behind it.

Drilling this beast would require advanced engineering and construction techniques. Then, releasing water through the hole is akin to popping a giant water balloon without getting a face full of sandy water.

Forty years ago, it was a wetter world, says commissioner Tick Segerblom, an ex-river guide and 4th generation Nevadan. "The dam was nearly overtopped, lost in spring floods, and now it's nearly drained." He points to the damage the dam causes as sandbars disappear in Grand Canyon downstream and silt builds up behind the dam.

If there was ever a time to consider this radical rewilding notion, it's now. A free-flowing Colorado River, says the Glen Canyon Institute, would still be a major tourist attraction, and Segerblom sees Page, Arizona, becoming the gateway to a new place called Glen Canyon National Park.

Restoring a wonder of nature — why not imagine it? A solution would have pleased David Brower, who regretted not fighting the dam. "Glen Canyon died," he lamented in a Sierra Club book, "and I was partly responsible for its needless death."

Perhaps this contest cracks the door to rebirth.

Dave Marston is publisher of *Writers on the Range*, [writersontherange.org](http://writersontherange.org), a nonprofit dedicated to spurring lively conversation about the West.

### Write to us and the community with a Letter to the Editor

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## OBITUARIES

## Lawrence "Larry" Leroy Phillips

April 30, 1940 - February 3, 2022



Lawrence "Larry" Leroy Phillips died on February 3, 2022 at the age 81. He was born to

Vern and Elsie Phillips on April 30, 1940 in Lamar Colorado. He graduated from McMinnville High School in 1959 and went on to receive his Bachelor of Education degree from Oregon College of Education (WOU).

He was preceded in death by his wife, Shirley Phillips in 2010. He is survived by his six children, Kerrie Phillips, Chuck Phillips, Lori Bennett, Lori Mallernee, Heidi Dieu and Becky Capps; as well as eleven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Larry was an outstanding

high school and collegiate athlete and was inducted into the McMinnville Sports Hall of Fame in 2013. He spent the majority of his career teaching and coaching at Coquille High School where he is remembered for his larger-than-life presence. In retirement, Larry and Shirley settled in McMinnville where they enjoyed traveling, golfing, spending time with friends and participating in church activities.

A private memorial service for Larry and Shirley will be scheduled at a later date. To leave condolences, visit [www.macyandson.com](http://www.macyandson.com)

## Russell Kenneth Lee

August 3, 1968 - February 5, 2022



Russell Kenneth Lee, 53 years old, passed away February 5, 2022 in Reedsport, Oregon. Russ was born August 3, 1968 in Roseburg, Oregon.

Russ moved with the family several times before school age from Coos Bay, the San Francisco Bay Area, Woodland, California, and back to Coos Bay in the early 70's. Some favorite activities, included guns, hunting, fishing, long range shooting, motorcycle riding with his significant other, Maria, and anything outdoors. He was an outstanding son, brother, father and friend. A laid back, understanding, outgoing, positive, happy and honest man. A truly one of a kind person, everyone deserved in their lives.

He attended school in Summer, Coos River, North Bay, North Bend Jr. High, and North Bend High School. During his time at NBHS, Russ worked after school and weekends at Mid-Coast Marine, a shipyard in Eastside. After

graduating, he moved to Phoenix, studying computers and Computer Aided Drafting (CAD). He returned to North Bend and eventually worked into what became his shipyard legacy. Starting as a laborer, he worked his way up learning welding, fitting, outfitting, and all trades associated with vessel construction; eventually becoming lead man, Foreman, and Project Manager. Becoming a single father at 24, he was dedicated to his daughter, Vanessa, who as a toddler, accompanied him scouting the woods for hunting, target practicing and many other activities. When Vanessa graduated high school and was able to live on her own, he went to work for about two years on the FV Gandil, a fish tender that works in Alaska, as an engineer and deckhand. He was able to experience Alaska from a boat's point of view. In his free time between trips delivering their catch, he got to enjoy recreational fishing, pot fishing for prawns, crabbing, etc. In addition to viewing Alaska's wildlife, he kept in touch with the family and shared his experiences, adventures and photos, thanks to Facebook. After the Gandil, he began work on a brand new boat, the Miss Emily, as vessel Engineer. He worked several different fisheries, then took seine season off.

Within a week, he began suffering symptoms of Reactive Arthritis (RA) brought

on by shrimp poisoning that occurred while sorting shrimp during the season. Suffering tremendously, he was wheelchair bound in the early stages of RA. It took two full years to become well enough to return to work. He returned to Fred Wahl, then came "COVID-19". Because of RA, his immune system was weakened. His doctor's orders were to isolate and not work, because an exposure could be fatal if contracted.

While working at the shipyard in Reedsport, Russ met Maria. They began sharing each other's lives for five years, until his passing. Undoubtedly, this was the happiest times of his (their) lives.

At the time of his death, Russ was working for Pacific Challenger Fisheries in Reedsport, building a new fishing vessel.

Russell leaves his daughter, Vanessa Lee; grandson, Adyn Lee Cook; significant other, Maria Molt and daughter, Ana; father and mother, Mike and Linda Lee; brothers, Tim and Ken Lee; numerous uncles, aunts, cousins and friends.

He will live forever in our hearts.

Memorial service will be held on Saturday, February 12, 2022 at 2:00 pm, North Bend Church of Christ, 2761 Broadway Ave., North Bend OR, 97459.

Reception (with finger food) to follow.

## Wilma Joanne Weideman Ross

August 11, 1931 - February 8, 2022



Funeral services for Wilma Ross, of Myrtle Point, will be held at 10 am, Saturday, February 12, 2022 at the Church of Christ, 775 Donnelly Avenue in Coos Bay. Interment will follow at the Coos River Cemetery.

Wilma was called home to her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ on Tuesday, February 8, 2022, passing peacefully in her sleep at age 90. She was the youngest of 3 children born to William and Ella Weideman in Charlson, North Dakota. She loved her family, her church family and her Lord.

In her early twenties, she fell fast for a handsome Dwight Gosser, 3 years her senior and they settled in Sweet Home, Oregon. Tragedy struck early in their marriage as their first son was stillborn. A year later, Dan was born, then only 2 years after that, Dwight would succumb to cancer

at 27. Following Dwight's death, Wilma and Dan moved back to her parents in Portland, Oregon working as a secretary with Hyster Corp.

She found love once again with Gordon Ross, a Coos County dairyman, now retired County Commissioner. So she and Dan moved to the family farm in Coos Bay. Gordon and Wilma were married 65 years and have been members of the Coos Bay Church of Christ for their entire relationship. They had 3 children together, Bob, Marcia, and Debbie.

Wilma was never one to shy away from another road trip whether it was by air, rail, or auto. She and Gordon traveled to many countries, Russia, Costa Rica, and New Zealand to name a few. Wilma's passion was playing the piano. She was an accomplished pianist playing weekly for church services as well as entertaining family at home. Another passion was baking desserts, more specifically pies. She would enter them at the Coos County fair each year and generally win a ribbon or two. Wilma and Gordon were long time members of the Riverman's Club and the Coos County Historical Society.

She is survived by husband, Gordon and children, Dan Ross and wife, Joan of Wilton, NH, Bob Ross and wife,

Nanette of Coquille, OR and Debbie Gorst of Myrtle Point, OR; grandchildren, Greg Ross, Lindsey Ross Hardie, Joshua Nugent, Jenny Nugent Messenger, Nathan Ross, Meghan Ross Hampton, Evan Ross, Bethany Ross, Tylor Gorst, Quinn Gorst, Lane Gorst, Elizabeth Nugent and Annie Nugent; as well as 22 great grandchildren.

Wilma was preceded in death by her parents, William and Ella Weideman; brother, Ray Weideman; sister, Lorraine Mabe; and daughter, Marcia Ross Nugent.

Our heartfelt gratitude to Becky and Wanda of Guardian Angels for making our mother's life the best it could possibly be for the last 3 years by being so kind and attentive towards her.

Another debt of gratitude goes to Prudence and David Munger for their careful over watch of Gordon. Because of them, Gordon has been able to live in the family home and stay mobile, visiting Wilma daily with many outings.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the charity of your choice. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131. Family and friends are invited to sign the online guestbook at [www.coosbayareafunerals.com](http://www.coosbayareafunerals.com).

## Death Notices

**David L. Main**, 72, of Coos Bay died February 3, 2022 in Coos Bay. Cremation rites will be held at Ocean View Memory Gardens Crematory, Coos Bay under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131. [www.coosbayareafunerals.com](http://www.coosbayareafunerals.com)

**Sidney Lee Vail**, 66, of Coos Bay, passed away on February 4, 2022 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, [www.coosbayareafunerals.com](http://www.coosbayareafunerals.com), 541-756-0440.

**Michael J. McCrackin**, 75, of Reedsport, passed away on February 1, 2022 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, [www.coosbayareafunerals.com](http://www.coosbayareafunerals.com), 541-756-0440.

**Bruce Edward Nickson**, 92, of Coos Bay, passed away February 6, 2022 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 [www.coosbayareafunerals.com](http://www.coosbayareafunerals.com)

**Wanda I. Walton**, 59, of Coos Bay, died January 29,

2022 in Coos Bay. Cremation rites and inurnment will be held at Ocean View Memory Gardens Crematory, Coos Bay under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131. [www.coosbayareafunerals.com](http://www.coosbayareafunerals.com)

**Gloria M. Littrell**, 87, of Central Point, passed away Sunday, January 30, 2022 in Medford. Arrangements are in care of Conger-Morris Central Point Chapel 541-664-3361 [www.congermorris.com](http://www.congermorris.com)

**Carla A. Lathrom**, 69, of Coos Bay, died February 5, 2022 in Coos Bay. Cremation rites will be held at Ocean View Memory Gardens Crematory with inurnment at Sunset Memorial Park Mausoleum, Coos Bay under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131. [www.coosbayareafunerals.com](http://www.coosbayareafunerals.com)

**Kenneth Waldemar Pederson**, 86, of Coos Bay, passed away February

5, 2022 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 [www.coosbayareafunerals.com](http://www.coosbayareafunerals.com)

**Michael J. Prugh**, 65, of Coos Bay died January 25, 2022 in Coos Bay. Cremation rites have been held at Ocean View Memory Gardens Crematory, Coos Bay under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131. [www.coosbayareafunerals.com](http://www.coosbayareafunerals.com)

**Kim Ballou**, 67, of Coos Bay, passed away on February 5, 2022 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, [www.coosbayareafunerals.com](http://www.coosbayareafunerals.com), 541-756-0440.

**Earl Frederick Struck**, 85, of North Bend, passed away February 7, 2022 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of Coos

Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 [www.coosbayareafunerals.com](http://www.coosbayareafunerals.com)

**Howard V. Douglas**, 92, of Coos Bay died January 24, 2022 in North Bend. Cremation rites will be held at Ocean View Memory Gardens Crematory, Coos Bay under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131. [www.coosbayareafunerals.com](http://www.coosbayareafunerals.com)

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## DEAR ABBY By Abigail Van Buren

## ART BUYER LOOKING FOR GIFT AFTER HELPING TO BOOST SALES

**DEAR ABBY:** A year ago I discovered that I have a talent for creating a unique type of art which is marketable. At a holiday market in which I participated, a customer commissioned me to make two pieces for her. She also advised me on how I should market my art. I listened patiently but had no intention of following her advice.

When she came to my home to pick up the pieces, she brought three of her friends along and began advising me again. This time, she mentioned that when a person brings a group of purchasing customers (as these ladies were ... they bought nearly everything I have), I should ALWAYS offer a little "gift" to the person bringing the customers (i.e. one of my pieces as a token of gratitude).

Abby, I consider what I do to be my business now. I'm not selling cosmetics or kitchenware for another company. I don't think I have ever gone to any market with friends and asked the seller to give me a token for bringing friends who bought something. Is this what I should do? Please enlighten me. -- BUDDING ARTIST DOWN SOUTH

**DEAR ARTIST:** Someone who helps you to increase your business should be thanked for their effort -- as long as it is you and not the other person who is deciding on what is appropriate. Whether this comes in the form of a verbal expression of gratitude or something tangible is up to you.

While on one hand I think it was nifty of the woman to spring this on you, on the other I can't help thinking that business is business -- and this is a way of promoting it. Consider offering the woman a future discount.

**DEAR ABBY:** My fiance and I were having dinner at a nice restaurant when a woman

came up to him. It turned out she was a former girlfriend of his. When she looked at me questioning, he introduced me as his "friend"! I REintroduced myself to her as his fiancee. She then looked back at him and said, "Oh. Congratulations. Well, and walked away. For the first time, I'm seriously considering not marrying this guy. What do you think? -- MORE THAN A FRIEND IN TEXAS

**DEAR MORE:** What happened is a red flag. I think your fiance has a lot of explaining to do. Start the discussion with, "I am not your 'friend,' I am your fiancee!" I wouldn't blame you for making this a looong engagement. It seems you need to get to know him better.

**DEAR ABBY:** After I told my cousin I was gay about 20 years ago, he stopped speaking to me, so I wrote him off. My life has been happy because I have strong relationships and no jealousy. Well, my aunt died recently. I assume this cousin will be at the memorial service. I still resent how everything went all those years ago. Should I ask him if he has anything to say to me? Should I confront him or just leave well enough alone? -- STILL PEEVED IN PENNSYLVANIA

**DEAR STILL PEEVED:** I see nothing positive to be gained by confronting your cousin at the memorial. Bring a close friend or your partner with you if you need emotional support. You didn't mention whether the rest of the family is as homophobic as this cousin, but at an emotional time like this, my advice is to let sleeping dogs lie.

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## Service Notices

A memorial service will be held for **Dorothy Ann "Dottie" Dunham**, 89, of Coquille, Oregon at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 17, 2022 at the Emmanuel Baptist Church, 282 West 6th Street in Coquille Oregon. Pastor Kelley McCormick will officiate. Inurnment will follow at Myrtle Crest Memorial Gardens. Arrangements are under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

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## Many Changes Seen in 30 Years at Southern Coos Hospital

When Leslie Tucker started at Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center in 1992, the hospital was located at its former site on Bandon's bluff overlooking the Coquille River.

Tucker, who was originally hired by Donna Reilly as a medical biller, recalled accounts receivable numbers hitting \$500,000 in the mid-1990s.

"At the time, we all thought that was unbelievable," Tucker said.

Then, days would pass without a patient being admitted to the hospital, she recalled. And in the age before computers, everything was done manually, so registration, billing and accounting took a long time.

At the former site, there was an old house located adjacent to the hospital where Dr. Meyers had his practice. Tucker worked for Dr. Meyers prior to working at the hospital.

Tucker was born and raised in Los Angeles but the family (her sisters are Stacy Coomer and Allison Stewart) moved to Langlois when she was in 6th grade, where her stepfather had relatives. She remembers being sent home from school for wearing a mini skirt – attire that was popular at the time in LA but not yet quite accepted in Langlois.

She attended Pacific High School and married her high school sweetheart Jack Tucker when she was 19. The Tucker family owned and ran a sawmill in Langlois for many years. It closed in 1999.

Leslie and Jack raised two daughters – Aimee and Ashlee, who both attended Bandon schools.

Aimee LaPlante works in a managerial position with the Oregon Cherry Growers. She and her husband Kai live in Jefferson. Ashlee and her husband Jon Moehring have two children and live in the Portland area where Ashlee owns a consulting firm.

At Southern Coos, Tucker was Donna Reilly's "right-hand man" and worked her way up to supervisor, then worked as manager of Patient Financial Services until 2017, when she decided to step down from that



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Leslie Tucker has spent 30 years working at Southern Coos Hospital.

position. Cathy Mann took over and is now Tucker's manager. Mann honored Tucker on her work anniversary in January with a 30-year pin and treats.

In the old hospital, the staff learned many jobs and had to make do with a shortage of space. The Emergency Room, for example, had one bed and when a second one was needed, they utilized the X-ray bed.

"At the old hospital we had to call one of the local doctors if we needed them," Tucker said.

"Dee Holdsclaw (RN) kept many people alive until a doctor could make it in."

When the move was made to the new hospital in 1999, Tucker couldn't believe all the space at that building, though the hospital has now outgrown much of that. Since opening, two additional buildings have been built on the campus and expansion is clearly in the future.

Tucker's duties include cash management, physician credentialing and computing bad debt

monthly, among other duties.

Most of the changes have come in the last 10 years, Tucker said. There have been several new computer systems to learn, along with several administrative changes.

"You just have to roll with it and adjust," Tucker said.

Through it all, Tucker still loves her job and her co-workers.

"I truly do love working here," she said. "I love the attitude, especially with people like (former CEO) Jim Wathen and

Donna Reilly. You always had this good feeling when coming to work and for the most part that hasn't changed. I still love coming to work and enjoy my job and I feel useful. It really is a great place to work."

Tucker hopes to retire in a few years and she and Jack plan to do more camping with their trailer, including visiting national parks. She also looks forward to doing more reading and spending more time with her children and grandchildren.

## Hino named CEO of Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center

Brent Bischoff, Southern Coos Health District Governing Board chairman, announces with great pleasure that Raymond Hino, MPA, FACHE, has accepted the position of chief executive officer for Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center.

"We went through quite a recruitment process, including consideration of a number of highly qualified candidates, but Ray and his demonstrated track record and experience in small rural district hospitals stood out from the very beginning," said Bischoff.

Hino will assume his new role on February 28. He joins Southern Coos Health District with more than 35 years of health care leadership and operations experience in for-profit, not-

for-profit and healthcare district settings. He will be relocating from Northern California, where he served as the Western United States vice president of operations for PE GI Solutions, LLC, a company that partners with doctors in the ownership and management of ambulatory surgery centers in the United States.

Prior to serving as Western U.S. vice president, Hino served as the CEO of four separate district owned hospitals in the state of California, in both Southern and Northern California. Earlier in his career, Hino held several leadership roles in Texas, New Mexico, Montana and Idaho and in hospitals ranging in size from 25 beds to 429 beds.

"Southern Coos Hospital and Health Center is a vital hospi-

tal, emergency department and primary care clinic serving the population of Southern Coos County, Northern Curry County and thousands of tourists, who arrive each year to take advantage of the beauty and recreational amenities of Bandon and its surrounding areas," said Hino. "I am excited to be part of this critical organization that is committed to excellence and the health care needs of our community."

Hino holds both a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in public administration and health care services administration from the University of Southern California, Price School of Public Policy in Los Angeles. He has been married to his wife, Gayle Nance Hino for 35 years.



## Bandon 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.

### Tuesday, 2/1/2022:

· At 10:42 am, police responded to the 1000 block of Oregon Avenue SW after report of an

accident.

· At 1:36 pm, police responded to the 60 block of North Avenue SE after report of theft.

### Wednesday, 2/2/2022:

· At 3:08 pm, police responded to the 300 block of Lexington Avenue NE after report of theft.

· At 3:41 pm, police responded to the 40 block of Michigan Avenue NE after report of theft.

· At 3:47 pm, police respond-

ed to the 600 block of Harrison Avenue SW after report of hit and run accident.

· At 5:21 pm, police responded to the location of Milepost 1 North Bank Lane after report of an accident.

### Thursday, 2/3/2022:

· At 12:54 am, police responded to the location of 13th Street SW and Franklin Avenue SW after report of a suspicious vehicle.

· At 3:51 pm, police responded

to the 54900 block of Allegheny Road after report of criminal mischief.

### Friday, 2/4/2022:

· At 3:13 pm, police responded to the 500 block of Highway 101 after report of fraud.

· At 11:05 pm, police responded to the location of milepost 276 on Highway 101 after report of an accident.

### Saturday, 2/5/2022:

· At 8:33 am, police respond-

ed to the location of Devil's Kitchen Beach Access after report of a fire.

### Sunday, 2/6/2022:

· At 12:02 am, police responded to the 87700 block of Two Mile Lane after caller reported a prowler.

### Monday, 2/7/2022:

· At 1:05 pm, police responded to the location of Chicago Avenue SE and 1st Street SE after report of accident.

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# AS I SEE IT

By MARY SCHAMEHORN

I'm always thrilled when I find the information to go with one of the really old pictures that I have in my collection. In a special section in March of 1925, there is a story about Bandon port commissioner and businessman F.E. Drane, who had installed a new engine in his small tugboat (at right) which he used to take building sands out of the Coquille River and in digging drainage ditches and building dikes. Here his tug, aptly known as The Diesel, is pulling the U.S. Dredge in the Bandon harbor.

In the background you can see the Nestle's Condensery building and part of the waterfront.

I love the way articles were written in those days, and I believe this was written by my grandfather as he was owner and editor of the Western World at that time. I found the picture among my uncle's photos, which meant that it was one of the treasures that survived the Bandon Fire.

Here is what the article had to say.

"This is an age of efficiency. The man or the system that cannot produce results at low cost is a candidate for the scrap heap. A good machine must be set aside when a better one appears on the market, else the competitor with the more economical equipment will get the business!"

"Three years ago Elmore Drane, who was operating several boats on the river, towing logs and scows, decided he needed better engines than he was using. The old type of gasoline engine delivered power, but they were too expensive to operate. Gasoline was getting higher in price, and the distillate that was formerly used was no longer to be had.

"Drane went to Oakland and looked over the engines that would burn cheaper oil. They seemed to be doing the business, but the cost was excessive. A hundred dollars a horse-power was the price on most of the models, and the size needed on the river in towing was from twenty to thirty horse-power.

"After canvassing the situation, Mr. Drane settled on the Atlas Imperial, full diesel engine, bought one and brought it to Bandon.

"Figures are not available to show just what this first engine did in the matter of reducing costs, but so certain was the saving that it was only a short time till other boats made the change from the old type gasoline engine to the Atlas Imperial, full diesel.

"Later one of the larger river boats, the Charm, (second photo) carrying passengers to and from Coquille was equipped with one of the money savers."

I love this picture of the Charm, with neatly dressed passengers either leaving or coming into the harbor. Two of them are standing in the lifeboat on board, which apparently held eight people. In the background you can see the Breuer building and at right, you get a better understanding of the distance between the lighthouse and the lighthouse keeper's residence.

"The new engine cost about \$9,000. That meant that the savings would have to be heavy if the expense was to be justified. The fuel cost for the gasoline engine had been \$23 a day while the boat was making two round trips a day between Bandon and Coquille. With the new diesel engine, the cost for Diesel No. 24 oil was \$3.75 a day.

"And that was something the boat men on the river could understand. Today there are six Atlas Imperial full diesel engines on the river."

The third picture features the east side school, as well as the gymnasium which was built as a result of efforts by the high school students who needed a place for basketball games and general athletics to take place.

The issue of paying for the gym had gone before the voters in 1914, but was turned

# Shipwrecks of the coast

down. As a result the students began a subscription list of those in the community who would be willing to donate the \$1,000 that they needed for the building.

An article in the Oct. 23, 1914, Bandon Recorder indicates that they were within \$225 of raising the money they need to turn over to the school board before construction could begin.

"The necessity of a building in which the basketball team may practice and play their games this year made this move urgent after the gymnasium proposition was defeated at the school election last week. Had there been any available room in which the games might have been played this year the students would not have asked for private aid in building a structure which, when finished, will be for the use of the public. As it is, the high school student body is giving \$150 out of their general fund toward the project."

Both the high school and the gym survived the Fire of 1936, and after the grade school in west Bandon (where Ocean Crest sits today) burned, the grade school students went to school in the gymnasium. As late as the 1950s, it was still used as a gym for high school students. It was not until the 1980s that it was torn down and burned by the Bandon Fire Department in a "burn to learn" operation.

I was searching through the county elections website this week and discovered that there have not been many filings for the May special district election, except for Coos County.

Pam Lewis of Coquille, a retired registered nurse, has filed for Position No. 2 on the board of county commissioners as has the incumbent, John Sweet.

Incumbent Melissa Cribbins has filed for Position No. 3 on the board of commissioners.

Two employees of the Coos County Sheriff's Office have filed for sheriff, including Captain Gabe Fabrizio and deputy Mike A. Kinnaird, both of Coquille. Kinnaird is a graduate of Bandon High School.

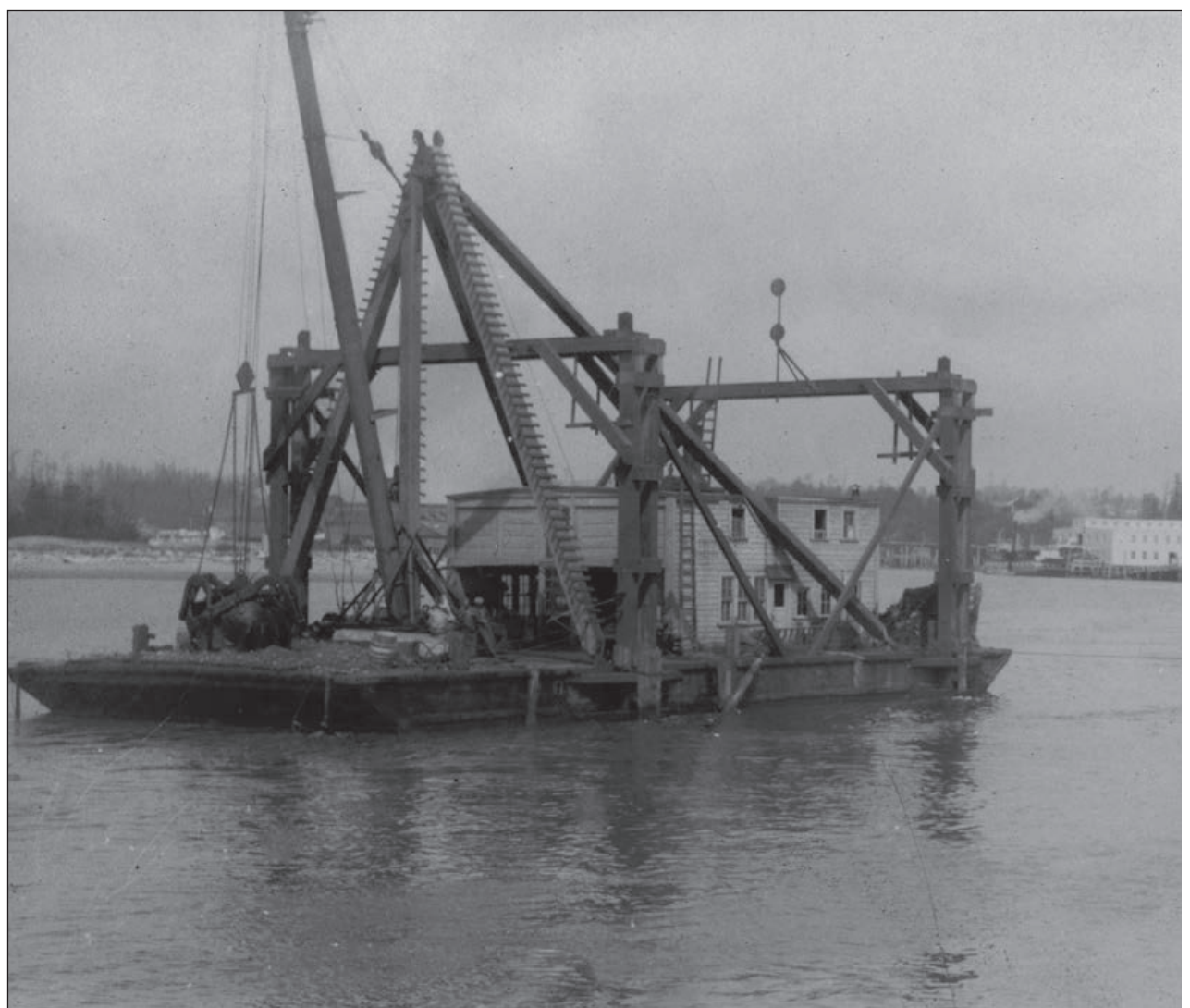
I contacted Sheriff Craig Zanni, who said he has not yet decided whether he will seek re-election.

The deadline to file for open positions is March 8 at 5 p.m.

Although I am not positive, my research seemed to indicate that there are no vacancies on either the Port of Bandon Commission nor the Bandon School Board, and if that is not correct, I will let my readers know next week.

The front page of Sunday's Oregonian carried a long story about the fact that Governor Brown, who is not eligible to be run again because of term limits, is making herself well known on her way out ... by offering clemency to 1,204 people in the justice system. Most, according to the article, without regard for the victims or the victim's families.

She says she is offering clemency to so many people to "correct injustice." It is hard to believe that she



Photos contributed by the Mary Schamehorn collection

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knows more than the courts, the judges and the juries, but that is what it looks like, and I can tell you for sure that the state's district attorneys are not happy about the decisions she is making.

If you thought it didn't rain much in January, you were right. My weather guy recorded only five inches for January, compared to 14.13 last year. The total for December and January has been 17.33 inches compared to 23.96 for the same period last year.

But looking back at the rainfall totals for the last 18 years, I discovered that we've had under five inches of rain four times in January, including 2009, 2113, 2014 and a low of 2.56 inches in 2015.

If the rest of February is like this first week, the rainfall picture won't improve much.

The average rainfall for February for the last 17 years has been 8.13 inches, with a high of 21 inches in 2017 and a low of 2.69 inches in February of 2020.

I learned we lost another BHS graduate recently, with the passing of Raymond Clarke, Class of 1958, who died Dec. 25. I remember Raymond as he was just one year behind me in school.

After high school he joined the Navy and served more than 20 years on submarines. In later years he was a volunteer for the Des Moines, Wash., senior center, delivering Meals on Wheels and driving for many activities. He is survived by two daughters, Dawn Tuthill and Raelynn Hulse.

I saw a recent letter to the editor in the Eugene paper which expressed how a lot of people feel. It was titled "Legalizing pot opened up a mess."

Here's what the writer had to say: "I chuckled after reading the AP article



'Awash in illegal pot farms, state plans millions for relief' in The Oregonian (Dec. 19). When marijuana and pot farming was legalized, it sent a message to drug cartels to set up shop in Oregon. The result: cartel control of illegal pot farms, theft of water, worker abuse and threats to neighbors.

"The Oregonian Legislature has now committed \$25 million for law enforcement to clean up this mess. Advo-

cates of legalizing marijuana claimed it would reduce law enforcement costs. Instead, it has opened a Pandora's box of crime."

Most of the illegal operations are in the Southern Oregon counties of Jackson and Josephine, where the theft of water continues to be one of the major problems.

I enjoyed dinner Friday night at Alloro with council

president Madelyn Seymour, Rae Seeley and Madelyn's mother, Patricia Seidler, who was celebrating her 98th birthday.

Patricia is an amazing woman and it's really hard to believe that she is only two years away from celebrating her 100th birthday.

We also very much appreciate the efforts that Alloro owner Susan Hayes and her staff take to protect their guests from COVID.

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## Warriors pick up another tourney title



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The North Bend Warriors: Front row, from left, Brody Sullens, Raleigh Collier, Brayden Anderson and Lauryn Garrigus. Back row, coaches Tim Amato and Josh Snoddy, Brayden Stalcup, Bryson Burns, Logan Amato, Gavin Snoddy, Barrett Smith, Coaches Ethan Amato and John Anderson.

The North Bend Warriors 5th grade basketball team won the Oregon Amateur Basketball Gold Division Tournament last weekend in Corvallis by beating McMinnville, High 5 Hoops Eugene, Valley Eugene and The Dallas Dragons in the championship by a score of 45-31. The team will play next in two weeks at The HoopSource Grassroots Regional Championships in Portland, and then will finish their season competing in the Oregon 6A/5A Middle School State Championship Tournament in Bend Oregon in March. Head Coach Josh Snoddy stated, "These kids are really gelling as a team, we're one big family on and off the court. Playing against big city club teams and 6A/5A school-based teams has really helped us to grow and mature as a basketball team, the wins are just a bonus."

## Bay Area to host both 3A and 4A state tournaments

JOHN GUNTHER

For The World

COOS BAY — The Bay Area will be pulling double duty next month, hosting a pair of basketball state championship tournaments.

In addition to the Class 3A tournament jointly hosted by Marshfield and North Bend high schools each winter, the two schools also will host the Class 4A event a week later.

The Oregon School Activities Association Executive Board voted to have the Bay Area host the latter event at its meeting Monday after Forest Grove High School requested not to be home for the event this year — the school does plan to go back to hosting it next year.

"I think it's great," said North Bend athletic director Mike Forrester, who committed to the event along with Marshfield athletic director Greg Mulkey. "If it's good for our community, then it's a good deal."

The Class 3A tournament, which first came to the Bay Area a little over a decade ago, has been a shot in the arm for the South Coast economy each winter, as well as an event to bring the host schools and community together.

When it became clear Forest Grove might not be able to host the Class 4A event, OSAA Executive Director Peter Weber contacted Mulkey about the possibility of the Bay Area playing host.

"My first reaction was, absolutely, why wouldn't we want to do it?" Mulkey said, echoing Forrester's thoughts. "It's great for the community."

He noted it also will be a big challenge, putting on the two events in back-to-back weeks.

"It's a daunting task," Mulkey said.

But it's one he feels the community is up for, given its track record hosting the Class 3A event.

"That's what's so great about our tournament," Mulkey said. "Because of our community's support and our reputation for putting on the (Class 3A) tournament — that's why he called us."

Weber said he also talked with officials in Pendleton, which hosts the Class 2A tournament each year.

"Those are sites with the infrastructure built in to run these three-day tournaments," Weber said, noting that each uses two facilities. In Pendleton's case it's Pendleton High School and the Pendleton Convention Center.

"Both sites do a really good job of putting on the tournament and providing a positive experience for students," Weber said. One thing that tipped things in the Bay Area's favor was that many of the schools that might be participating are geographically closer to Coos Bay than Pendleton, being in or near the Willamette Valley or southern Oregon.

One of those schools, obviously, is Marshfield, which won the Class 4A Showcase event last June on its home floor in the Pirate Palace.

Weber said he understands how some people might be concerned about Marshfield getting to host and play in the event.

"Obviously, it's not an ideal situation," he said. "We've had it come up in a few other circum-

stances."

Those include Liberty hosting and participating in the state volleyball tournament and Central Catholic being able to play in the championship football game at Hillsboro Stadium, where it also plays its home games.

"It's not ideal, but at the end of the day, the board focused on being able to put the tournament on," Weber said, again referring to being able to provide a positive experience for the student-athletes.

That's something the Bay Area has shined at with the Class 3A event, and Mulkey is hoping to provide the same features for the Class 4A tournament, including each team having a greeter to help during the event and also a community member who will provide a meal for the team during the tournament.

Also in the plans, just like the Class 3A event, is a dinner for the coaches and separate meal for all the players on the eve of the tournament, followed by a 3-point shootout at North Bend High School.

"We're going to give a lot of kids at the 4A level a great experience," Forrester said. "They'll never have been treated better. It should be fun."

That's not to say Forest Grove also wouldn't put on a quality tournament. The school west of Portland planned to host the entire event on campus since it has two full-size gyms — half of the first-day games and half the consolation games have been at Pacific University in past years.

But, as with last fall when Forest Grove opted out of hosting the Class 3A and 4A volleyball



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Marshfield's Pierce Davidson goes to the basket against Cascade during the championship game of the Class 4A Showcase event last June at the Pirate Palace. Marshfield and North Bend will jointly host the Class 4A state tournament this year after Forest Grove High School opted out.

tournaments, which were moved to Corvallis, it asked out of the basketball event during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

"It's a pandemic issue," Weber said, noting that Forest Grove would be in class on the opening day of the tournament, leaving the potential for crossover interaction between players and Forest Grove students.

"It's a community that has been hit pretty hard by COVID," Weber added. There likely would have been restrictions to how many fans could attend as well, he said.

With the OSAA Executive Board committed during a work-session Sunday and the meeting Monday to holding full eight-team tournaments (16 when you

add boys and girls together), Forest Grove was not going to work out.

Now Mulkey and Forrester are working to find enough people to put on two tournaments, the weekends of March 3-5 for Class 3A and 10-12 for Class 4A.

They are confident in the volunteerism spirit of the South Coast.

"We have a lot of people who will help," Forrester said. "I talked to 10 people today who said they will work both weeks."

People who are interested in being team greeters or meal hosts or helping out in some other way who have not been involved in the past, or in recent years, can contact the Marshfield athletic department at 541-267-1440.

## NB girls get important win over Highlanders

NORTH BEND — North Bend's girls basketball team used a strong defensive effort to beat visiting North Eugene 34-25 on Tuesday, keeping its hopes for a spot in the Class 5A postseason alive.

"We're still in it," North Bend coach Mike Forrester said. "We've beating the teams we're supposed to beat."

North Bend is in a race with Thurston in the race for fifth place in the Midwestern League and a possible spot in the Class 5A playoffs, but likely needs to beat the Colts in Springfield on Feb. 25 after Thurston won their meeting in North Bend earlier.

Following Tuesday's game, the Bulldogs are 5-6 in league, while Thurston is 3-6, though the Colts have an easier schedule down the road.

The Bulldogs will need another good effort on defense, and will need to make outside shots against the Colts, something they didn't do with regularity in the win over North Eugene.

But North Bend found other ways to score. Trinity Barker led the way with 14 points, including a 3-pointer and making five of her six free throws. Adrianna Frank also made five free throws, to go with a 3-pointer, for eight points.

Kylee Lambert and Mirra Riddle each added four points.

The bigger key in the win was when North Eugene had the ball.

"Defensively, we played pretty well," Forrester said. "We put pressure on the ball. I don't think we gave them too many great looks."

Natalie Hobbs had 12 points to lead the Highlanders.

"I think we played pretty well," Frank said of North Bend's effort. "We could have rebounded better, but we did pretty good."

North Eugene tried to pressure North Bend in the full court all game, but the Bulldogs had few turnovers.

"I think we did a good job breaking the press," Frank said. And when North Eugene

tried to trap late, North Bend handled that well, too.

"That's something we don't practice," Forrester said. "We didn't panic. We waited until we got fouled."

Forrester also was pleased with the play of his squad off the bench.

"We played a lot of kids who don't usually get to play," Forrester said, adding "We have a lot of kids we can put in (who can play well)."

North Bend has now swept North Eugene and Ashland. The Bulldogs go for another sweep Friday when Eagle Point comes to town.

Tuesday's win gives the Bulldogs some momentum heading into that contest.

"This win was really important for our chance to make the playoffs," Frank said.

Friday's game against Eagle Point will be the second of four in a row at home. Next week, two of the league's top teams visit the Dog Pound, with Churchill visiting Tuesday, followed by Crater on Friday.



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North Bend's Adrianna Frank is fouled as she goes to the hoop against North Eugene.



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## 515 Employment Opps

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## 515 Employment Opps

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### Water Worker I

Applications for the position of Water Worker I will be accepted by the City of Reedsport, 451 Winchester Avenue, Reedsport, Oregon 97467 until 5:00 PM, Thursday, February 24, 2022.

A complete job description and required City application is available at Reedsport City Hall or online at [www.cityofreedsport.org](http://www.cityofreedsport.org).

The salary for this position is up to \$3,621.43 per month with a full competitive benefits package. This position is covered by a collective bargaining unit agreement.

Please email, mail or hand deliver completed applications and materials to Kim Clardy, Public Works Director at 451 Winchester Ave., Reedsport, Oregon 97467 or [kclardy@cityofreedsport.org](mailto:kclardy@cityofreedsport.org).

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## 999 Legal Notices

**Circuit Court of the State of Oregon**  
**Coos County**  
**Estate of William Daniel Breeden**  
**Case No. 22PB00756**  
**NOTICE TO INTERESTED PARTIES**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the Estate of William Daniel Breeden, Coos County Circuit Court Case No. 22PB00756. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned personal representative at P.O. Box 442, Lake Oswego, Oregon 97034, 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 attorneys for the personal representative. Dated and first published: February 4, 2022  
Michael A. Breeden  
Personal Representative  
Law Office of Julia Rice  
Attorney for Personal Representative  
P.O. Box 442  
Lake Oswego, OR 97034  
Phone: (503) 726-5990  
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**Estate of Roberta J. Smit, Deceased**  
**Notice To Interested Persons (No. 22PB00649)**

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Coos, Probate Department. In the Matter of the Estate of Roberta J. Smit, Deceased Notice is hereby given that Patrick D. Smit was appointed personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them to the personal representative in care of 444 N. 4th St, Coos Bay, Oregon 97420, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceeding may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative. DATED and first published this 11th day of February, 2022.  
**Patrick D. Smit, Personal Representative**  
Megan E. Kronsteiner, OSB No. 076190  
Scarborough, McNeese, Oelke & Kilkenny, PC  
Attorneys for Personal Representative  
444 N. 4th Street  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF OREGON FOR COOS COUNTY

In the Matter of the Estate of JOHN W. FREERKSEN, JR. Deceased.  
Case No. 22PB01089  
**NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that John W. Freerksen III has been appointed and has qualified as Personal Representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present the claim, with proper documentation, within four months after the date of publication of this Notice, as stated below, to the Personal Representative at the office of GOULD LAW FIRM, P.C. 243 W. Commercial, PO Box 29, Coos Bay, Oregon 97420, or the claim may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this estate may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, 250 N. Baxter Street, Coquille, Oregon 97423, the Personal Representative or the attorney for the Personal Representative. Dated and first published: February 11, 2022  
John W. Freerksen III  
Personal Representative  
93673 Canyon Lane  
Coos Bay, OR 97420  
(541) 404-6260  
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## 999 Legal Notices

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS  
PROBATE DEPARTMENT  
In the Matter of the Estate of BEATRICE CLARA PETERSON, Deceased  
No. 22PB00985  
**NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that JULIE MARIE BIRCH filed a Petition for Probate of Testate Estate and Appointment of Personal Representative in the estate of BEATRICE CLARA PETERSON. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned, STEPHEN H. MILLER, PO BOX 5, REEDSPORT, OR 97467, within four months of the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the court, or the attorney, STEPHEN H. MILLER. Date of first publication: 11th day of February, 2022. /s/ Stephen H. Miller, OSB #691189  
[shmiller@reedsportlaw.com](mailto:shmiller@reedsportlaw.com)  
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Notice of Availability  
Draft Environmental Assessment  
Southwest Oregon Regional Airport  
Proposed Runway 5/23  
Runway Safety Area Improvements Project

**Draft Environmental Assessment Available**

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the Southwest Oregon Regional Airport announce the availability of a Draft Environmental Assessment (Draft EA) for proposed improvements at the Southwest Oregon Regional Airport in North Bend, Coos County, Oregon, for public review and comment. The Draft EA examines the potential environmental impacts of the placement of a triangular bulkhead into Coos Bay at the end of Runway 5/23 to ensure compliance with current FAA runway safety standards for airports. The Draft EA will be available for public review and comment beginning on February 1, 2022. Physical copies of the Draft EA may be viewed during regular business hours at the following locations:  
Southwest Oregon Regional Airport Administration Office  
1100 Airport Ln, North Bend, Oregon 97459  
North Bend Public Library  
1800 Sherman Ave, North Bend, OR 97459

The Draft EA will also be made available in electronic format on the Airport's website at <https://cooscountyairportdistrict.com/safety-improvements>.

**Public Comment Period**  
Public comment on the Draft EA is invited for a 30-day period extending from **February 1, 2022, through March 1, 2022.** The purpose of the Public Comment period is to allow comments on the adequacy of the Draft EA for the proposed project at the Airport. To provide written comments on the Draft EA, please email or send comments to the contact listed below during the public comment period.

Aaron Killgore  
Senior Environmental Planner  
9600 NE Cascades Pkwy #100, Portland, OR 97220  
OTHRSAEA@Meadhunt.com  
**All comments on the Draft EA must be received by the FAA no later than 5:00 pm on March 1, 2022 to be considered.** Please be advised that your entire comment, including such personal identifying information as address, phone number, and e-mail address, may be publicly available at any time. While you can ask in your comment to withhold from public review any personal identifying information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.  
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**Public Auction Notice/Foreclosure sale**

Alan Dave Bell: Unit B038  
Auction date: Saturday February 19, 2022 Time of Sale: 10 a.m.  
Location of sale: By the Dunes RV Storage, LLC @ 69088 Wildwood Rd, North Bend, OR 97459  
Call prior to coming out to make sure auction is still proceeding 541-756-7755  
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## 999 Legal Notices

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS  
In the Matter of the Estate of ERIC LARRY SUNFIELD, Deceased.  
Case No. 22PB00604  
**NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Nancy S. Sunfield has been appointed as Personal Representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the personal representative, c/o Daniel M. Hinrichs, Attorney at Law, 590 Commercial, Coos Bay, OR 97420, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the court- Probate Department, 250 N. Baxter, Coquille, OR 97423, the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative, Daniel M. Hinrichs, Attorney at Law, 590 Commercial, Coos Bay, Oregon 97420. Dated and first published January 28, 2022.  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS  
In the Matter of the Estate of PHILLIP RAY WHIPPLE, Deceased.  
Case No. 22PB01183  
**INFORMATION TO INTERESTED PERSONS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that CYNTHIA PARRY has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate of PHILLIP RAY WHIPPLE are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the personal representative at 3062 Oak St. North Bend, OR 97459, 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 the 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 February 11, 2022.  
/s/Nathan B. McClintock, OSB #841520  
Attorney for Personal Representative  
**Personal Representative:** Cynthia Parry  
3062 Oak Street  
North Bend, OR 97459  
(541)404-3829  
**Lawyer for Personal Representative:** Nathan McClintock  
PO Box 1178  
Coos Bay, OR 97420  
Phone: (541) 269-1123  
Fax: (541) 269-1126  
Email: [nmccintlock@epuerto.com](mailto:nmccintlock@epuerto.com)  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS  
In the Matter of the Estate of **JULIE ANN LAPRAIM,** Deceased.  
Case No. 22PB00602  
**NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Michelle K. Gallino has been appointed Personal Representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the Personal Representative at 165 S. 5th Street, Coos Bay, Oregon 97420, within four (4) months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative, Karen L. Costello. Dated and first published on February 11, 2022.  
/s/ Karen L. Costello  
Karen L. Costello, OSB #085391  
Attorney for Personal Representative  
**PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE:** Michelle K. Gallino  
165 S. 5th Street, Suite A  
Coos Bay, OR 97420  
(541) 267-7086  
**ATTORNEY FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE:** Karen L. Costello, OSB #085391  
Costello Law Office, PC  
895 Commercial Avenue  
P.O. Box 600  
Coos Bay, OR 97420  
Telephone: (541) 808-0284  
Email: [kcostello@kcostellolaw.com](mailto:kcostello@kcostellolaw.com)  
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## 999 Legal Notices

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

Notice is hereby given that the Oregon International Port of Coos Bay will conduct a public auction at 4:00 p.m. on February 24, 2022. Sealed bids for the auction items will be received until 4:00 p.m. at the Charleston Marina office, at which time the sealed bids will be opened and publicly awarded to the highest bidder in order to satisfy moorage and/or storage charges for which the Port has possessory chattel lien under the provisions of ORS 87.152 through 87.212. **All reasonable bids will be considered.** The description of the items, the name of the owners or reputed owners of such items, and amounts due on the liens are as follows: **Patrick & Rhonda Olson Aerie/OR324ADW \$3,283.18** Sealed bids will be stamped in date order and must have the bid numbers clearly marked on the envelope. All items can be viewed by contacting the Charleston Marina office, 541-888-2548. The purchasers will be required to remove the purchased items from Port property within five (5) working days.

Oregon International Port of Coos Bay  
Charleston Marina  
PO Box 5409  
Charleston, OR 97420  
Telephone: (541) 888-2548  
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## 999 Legal Notices

### PAID LEGAL NOTICE

Agency: USDA - Natural Resources Conservation Service  
Meeting: Coos and Curry County Local Work Group Meeting  
Date: Wednesday March the 2nd  
Time: 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
Location: Zoom  
Contact: For More Information, contact:  
Katie Woodruff District Conservationist (541) 824-8091  
katlyn.woodruff@usda.gov  
Cheyanne Rico Soil Conservationist (541) 824-8093  
cheyanne.rico@usda.gov  
Purpose: NRCS is holding a local work group meeting to gather input from farmers, ranchers, state and federal agencies, agriculture and conservation organizations regarding natural resource conservation priorities and opportunities to invest collaboratively in Coos and Curry County.  
<https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detailfull/or/people/partners/?cid=ncsepr1300223>  
The USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer and lender.  
A request for accommodations for persons with disabilities should be made 48 hours before the meeting. Please contact (Katie Woodruff at 541-824-8091) for arrangements.  
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## 999 Legal Notices

### OFFICIAL NOTICE OREGON SALMON COMMISSION PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

TO: ALL OREGON COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERMEN  
Notice is hereby given that a virtual Public Hearing will be held pursuant to ORS 576.416, on Thursday, March 3, 2022 at 2:15pm upon a proposed budget for operation of the Oregon Salmon Commission during July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. A public meeting will begin at 12:30pm. At this meeting, any commercial fisherman of ocean troll caught salmon landed in Oregon has a right to be heard with respect to the proposed budget, a copy of which is available for inspection, under reasonable circumstances, in the Oregon Salmon Commission office.  
For further information, please contact: Oregon Salmon Commission, P.O. Box 983, Lincoln City, OR 97367-0983, Phone/fax: 541-994-2647, nancy@oregonsalmon.org  
A request for an interpreter for the hearing impaired or for other accommodations for persons with disabilities should be made at least 48 hours before the meeting to the OSC office at 541-994-2647.  
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## 999 Legal Notices

### NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

ALEXANDRA ENDERS NAGY has been appointed Personal Representative of the ESTATE OF VILMA DELIZO ENDERS, Deceased, by the Circuit Court, State of Oregon, Coos County, under Case Number 22PB00532. All persons having a claim against the estate must present the claim within four months of the first publication date of this notice to Brinich & Bertalan, LLP, at 250 NW Franklin Ave, Ste. 101, Bend, Oregon 97703, Attn: Katie Clason, or they may be barred. Additional information may be obtained from the court records, the Personal Representative or the following-named attorney for the Personal Representative.  
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: February 4, 2022  
BRINICH & BERTALAN, LLP  
250 NW FRANKLIN AVE, STE 101  
BEND, OR 97703  
541-382-4980  
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## AA MEETINGS

For those interested in Bandon AA meetings call or visit:

(541) 347-1720

[aa-district30-area58.org/bandon.htm](http://aa-district30-area58.org/bandon.htm)

Following Meetings are held at:  
**Holy Trinity Catholic Church**

### Friday:

12 PM Survivors Group  
6 PM Women's Meeting

### Saturday:

10 AM "The Broad Highway Group"  
12 PM Survivors Group

### Sunday

2 PM Survivors Group

### Monday:

**10 am "The Broad Highway" Group**  
Holy Trinity Catholic Church  
**12 pm Survivors Group**  
Holy Trinity Catholic Church  
**730 pm Bandon AA Men's Group**  
Bandon Episcopal Church

### Tuesday

**8 pm Bandon AA**  
Bandon Episcopal Church

## Narcotics Anonymous

For those interested in NA Meetings:

Call: (541)267-0273 Visit: [www.coosbayna.org](http://www.coosbayna.org)

# This week in Coos County history: February 11 - February 15

## 100 YEARS — 1921

### Autos must carry a yellow plate

No excuse for not having 1922 license now

**Traffic officer is informed that secretary of state is sending them promptly**

COQUILLE — Everyone who owns an auto must carry a yellow license plate. Yellow is the color of the plate which is issued by the state for the 1922 license.

There is no excuse now for not having a license. Traffic Officer Williams has receive a letter from the secretary of state in which the latter says that the rush of issuing licenses in his office is over and that now the licenses are sent out on the day that the application is received. No one can claim slowness of getting the license back. The traffic officer will require everyone who does not show a license to explain. They are subject to arrest and prosecution if they have no license plate unless they can give positive evidence that they have made application to the secretary of state.

So there is now only one thing for auto owners to do. They must have a yellow license plate on their machine or keep their cars off the streets and highways until they have secured a license.

## Broadbent is important center of county ranch and forest shipping

**Pioneer community of Southern Oregon has many fine homes — interesting story of its early settlers and present homeowners — fine roads are aid to prosperity**

Almost everybody knows that Broadbent is located on the south fork of the Coquille river about six miles above Myrtle Point, but very few have any idea of its importance as a railroad shipping station. Milk, cream and cheese are the principal agricultural exports. The latest full-year statistics on these items is for 1919 when the creamery, or cheese factory, was run continuously, producing 210,000 pounds of cheese which was sold for \$58,000. While the prices for 1921 were not as high as in 1919, the production of milk was much greater and

it is fair to estimate its value as equal to 1919, or \$58,800.

Other shipments by rail last year were:

Cattle, 20 cars, \$40,000  
Hogs, 3 cars, 4,000  
Cedar logs, 149 cars, 74,500  
Cedar lumber, 5 cars, 6,000  
Cedar piling, 4 cars, 1,120  
Cedar ties, 17 cars, 9,500  
Apples, 3000 boxes, 4,500  
Potatoes, 2500 sacks, 5,000  
Total, \$203,920

Add to this the value of produce such as berries, poultry, eggs, garden truck, as well as hay and grain, hauled to market in wagons and trucks, and the total for 1921 is close to a quarter of a million dollars, all of which, except a small part of the cedar, is produced within 2 1/2 miles of Broadbent.

## 50 YEARS — 1971

### Annual forestry forum under way at SWOCC

The concept of using forest lands mainly for jobs through the timber industry has broadened with the recognition that forest practices affect other facets of the total environment today.

This was the theme of opening speakers at today's first annual forum on American Forestry Practices at Southwestern Oregon Community College.

The role of the fishery biologist in coordinating forest practices has grown to meet the new concepts, said John Anderson, fisheries specialist with the Bureau of Land Management.

He focused on fish-forest conflicts and possible solutions to the mutual problems.

The forest, recreation and commercial fishing industries all are important to the state's economy, he pointed out. Forest practices have a definite affect on aquatic life which in turn affects sports and commercial fishing industries.

### Bay Area dropped from number one priority as state 'growth center'

COQUILLE — The Coos Bay,

North Bend area has been dropped as the state's prime economic growth center and a \$750,000 transportation study and road improvement project for Highway 42 is in jeopardy, according to a staff report given Thursday to Coos-Curry-Douglas County Economic Improvement Association board of directors.

G. Anthony Kuhn, CCDEIA executive director told the tri-county group Gov. Tom McCall designated the Ontario area the state's prime economic growth center prior to leaving on the Far East trade mission.

Kuhn added that Coos Bay and North Bend headed the list of the state's prime economic growth centers based on an Oct. 4, 1971 report to the federal department of transportation by the governor.

According to the staff report, no reasons were offered by the governor's office for the change of priorities, which resulted in the Bay Area being dropped to second as one of the state's growth centers. The top three areas designated by Gov. McCall are Ontario, Coos Bay-North Bend and Astoria.

## 20 YEARS — 2001

### Kim Jasmer wins twice

North Bend freshman Kim Jasmer will go into this week's state meet seeded in the top three in two different races after winning both events at the Midwestern League swimming meet on Saturday.

Jasmer had the second-best time in the state in the 200 freestyle with her mark of 1:53.47 and the third best time in the 500 freestyle after breaking her own school record with her time of 5:01.15 Saturday. Jasmer also broke the school record in the 200 freestyle.

Those two wins and a state-qualifying third-place finish by the 200 freestyle relay team helped the Bulldogs to fourth place in the team race, behind Sheldon, South Eugene and North Eugene.

The relay team of Jasmer, Megan Masters, Jenny Rogers and Kadi Watson, will be seeded 13th at the

state meet after swimming a time of 1:45.49 on Saturday. The team broke its own school record in the event.

Reedsport

Reedsport's girls won two relays and got two individual wins from Madeline Boe will finishing second behind Cottage Grove at the District 4 meet.

Boe won the 200 freestyle and 100 butterfly and also was part of both winning relay teams. She teamed with Liz Moore, Emily Vaughn and Paige Huebner to win the 200 medley relay and Moore, Vaughn and Rachel Johnson to win the 200 freestyle relay.

On the boys side, Reedsport's Nathan Baumgartner won the 50 freestyle and also qualified for state after finishing fourth in the 100 freestyle.

### MHS second in wrestling

Marshfield had four individual champions and qualified 13 wrestlers for the state meet, but Thurston came from behind to beat the Pirates for the team title at the Midwestern League wrestling championships on Saturday.

The Colts finished with 392.5 points, to Marshfield's 378.5. North Bend was sixth with 82.5 points and advanced two wrestlers to state.

Marshfield's titles came from Andrew Dewater (130 pounds), Brady Hampton (135), Aaron Heyer (215) and Rafael Garcia (275).

Dewater beat teammate Ty Van Burger in the 130-pound final.

Other Marshfield runners-up included Nick Gerritsen (125 pounds) and Tommy Wehe (152).

Pirates who qualified for state by finishing third were Justin McGinnis (103 pounds), Matt Frost (119), Lee Mason (152), Billy Gilpin (171) and Marcus Heyer (189).

Aaron Heyer beat North Bend's Jared Allison in the final.

In addition to Allison, North Bend's other state qualifier was Jeff Caldwell, who finished third at 160.

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

# POLICE 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.

## Friday, 2/4/2022:

### North Bend

· At 12:05 am, police conducted a warrant service at the location of Ferry Road Park. A 44 year old male was cited.

· At 9:54 am, police responded to the 900 block of Oregon St after report of theft.

· At 11:21 am, police responded to the 2300 block of Pacific Street after report of theft.

· At 12:16 pm, police responded to the 800 block of California after report of a non-injury accident.

· At 12:21 pm, police responded to the 1700 block of Meade Street after report of theft.

· At 1:21 pm, police responded to the 2100 block of Meade Avenue to

assist fire department with bicycle accident.

· At 3:58 pm, police responded to the 1000 block of Oregon Street after report of theft.

· At 11:29 pm, police responded to the 3200 block of Tremont Avenue after report of possible minor in possession of fake ID. A 19 and a 20 year old were both cited and released.

### Coos Bay

· At 2:34 am, police conducted a warrant service at the 2800 block of Ocean Boulevard. A 40 year old male and a 41 year old

female were cited.

· At 5:30 am, police responded to the 2300 block of Ocean Boulevard after caller reported someone in the house at location.

· At 1:19 pm, police responded to the location of Ocean Boulevard and Lincoln after report of graffiti.

· At 2:55 pm, police conducted a warrant service at the location of Mingus Park. A 48 year old male was cited.

### Coquille

· At 1:34 pm, police responded to the 200 block

of W Highway 42 after report of theft.

### Reedsport

· At 3:28 pm, police responded to Safeway after report of a hit and run.

· At 5:26 pm, police responded to Ace Hardware after report of theft.

### Saturday, 2/5/2022:

#### North Bend

· At 10:11 am, police conducted a warrant service at the 3300 block of Broadway Street. A 61 year old was cited.

· At 10:54 am, police responded to the location

of Fir and State after report of theft from vehicle.

· At 3:38 pm, police responded to the 3800 block of Buccaneer Lane after caller reported of theft of license plate.

· At 5:12 pm, police responded to the 700 block of Vermont Street after report of burglary.

· At 6:17 pm, police responded to the 2300 block of Union Avenue after report of burglary.

· At 8:20 pm, police responded to the 500 block of State St after report of burglary to shop.

# North Bend boys come up short against North Eugene

**NORTH BEND** — Say this for North Bend's boys basketball team: the Bulldogs are resilient.

Even as the losses mount against more talented Midwestern League foes, the players keep trying, giving their best effort.

"They've got a good attitude," coach Bill Callaway said after the latest setback, 50-19 at home to North Eugene on Tuesday. "They keep trying."

Unfortunately, North Bend hasn't been able to put all the phases of the

game together against any of the league's talented other squads.

When the Bulldogs play well on defense or rebound well, they can't get enough points through the net.

That was the case Tuesday, when North Bend held the Highlanders to 13 points in the first quarter but only scored two itself. And when the Bulldogs had a little spurt in the second quarter — a three-point play by Braden Wirth followed by a drive to the hoop for two by Landon Rinderle to pull within

17-7 — the Highlanders scored seven quick points of their own.

Too often in the game, North Bend struggled to get easy looks against North Eugene's pressure defense, often committing turnovers.

The Bulldogs finally had some success from long range in the second half, with Paolo Flores hitting two 3-pointers and Kale Borrás adding another.

Flores finished with six points and Peyton Forester five for North Bend.

North Eugene, mean-

while, hurt North Bend with 3-pointers — eight in all among four players.

"They did reverse the ball well and hit those threes," Callaway said.

Joey Banry had two of the threes and 16 points to lead the Highlanders. Elias McKinnis added three 3-pointers and nine points.

North Bend's next two attempts to snap its league losing streak, now up to 11 games, come at home against the top two teams (7-1 Eagle Point on Friday and 9-0 Churchill on Tuesday).



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North Bend's Peyton Forester tries to get up a shot while surrounded by North Eugene defenders.

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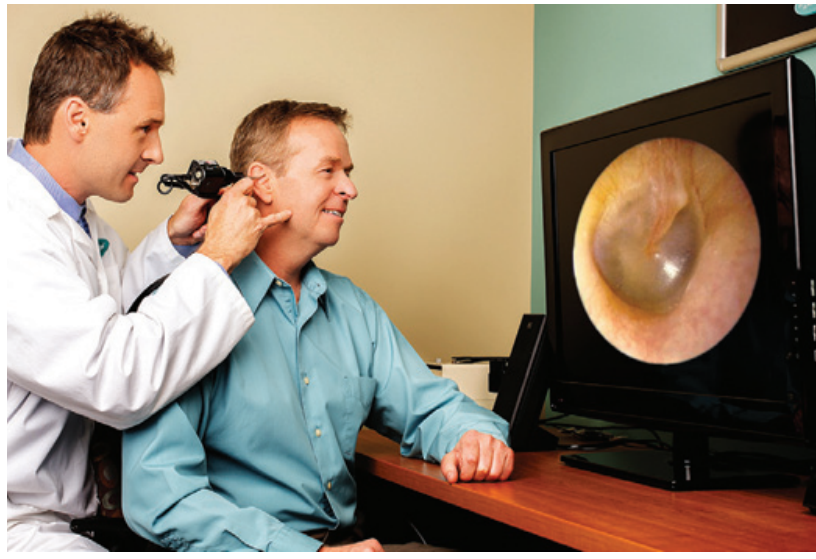
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## Drazan

From A1

“Sometimes people who are elected don’t always listen, they don’t always represent us,” Drazan said. “Sometimes they make problems. The real problem is leadership. That’s what’s missing right now.”

Dragon made a name for herself in state politics when she led a walkout from the Legislature to stop a cap-and-trade bill being pushed by the Democrats.

“We didn’t have a choice,” Drazan said. “We had to walk out.”

She said if elected, her first actions would be to end some of the moves made by current Gov. Kate Brown.

“Day one has to be an end to the vaccine mandate,” Drazan said. “We’re also going to end the mask mandate. Folks, do we really think she’s going to end the mask mandate in March. Remember, it was two weeks to flatten the curve.”

From there, Drazan would move to other issues important to the state.

“We’ve got to support our law enforcement,” she said. “If we don’t do that, we won’t have safe communities.”

The key, Drazan said, will be to use facts and

share factual information with the state.

“We have to lead with facts and not fear,” she said. “Right now, the Democrat super majority in Salem is governing by fear. Our political leaders need to respect citizens and respect Oregonians enough to know we can protect ourselves.”

A wife and mother of three, Drazan said she ventured into state politics because she wanted to help people. She said as governor, that mission will not change.

“As governor, Oregonians are going to get what they deserve,” she said. “Oregonians are going to get what they’re asking for, to be heard, to be respected.”

Drazan said one of her key goals as governor would be to make the state business friendly. She said the Democrats in Salem have made move after move that hurt business, but they have never learned the lesson.

“We need businesses,” she said. “Oregon has one of the worst business climates in the nation. We have one of the highest tax rates in the nation. We have got to stop tax increases that drive up prices for all of us. We can



Christine Drazan shares her thoughts on state politics while talking with a group of Republicans in Coos Bay.

Photos by David Rupkalvis/The World

do that. With a Republican governor in the state of Oregon, we can veto that.”

While Democrats control almost all aspects of state government, Drazan said it is a perfect time for a Republican to take control. She explained with Brown’s unpopularity, Pres. Joe Biden’s struggles in the polls and growing unpopularity with COVID restrictions, a Republican can win in 2022.

“It matters who comes out of the Republican primary this year,” Drazan said. “I’m a small-town girl. I need your help with the primary. We have an absolute opportunity to put a Republican in the governor’s seat.”

She said those interested in change can help out by being active, locally and at the state level.

“When people show up, it changes things,” she

said. “It can and does make a difference. In this election cycle, it’s important we show up.”

With COVID being one of the key issues in the Republican primary, Drazan said she believes firmly in individual choice.

“I am all about choice,” she said. “For me, I made the decision to get vaccinated. I’m around a million people. I made the decision myself. If someone

else doesn’t, that is their choice.”

With the primary race heating up heading to the May election, Drazan said her proven leadership should help her stand out in a crowded field.

“All these problems we’re talking about are absolutely solvable with leadership,” she said. “Everything you can do, everything you are, this is the time.”

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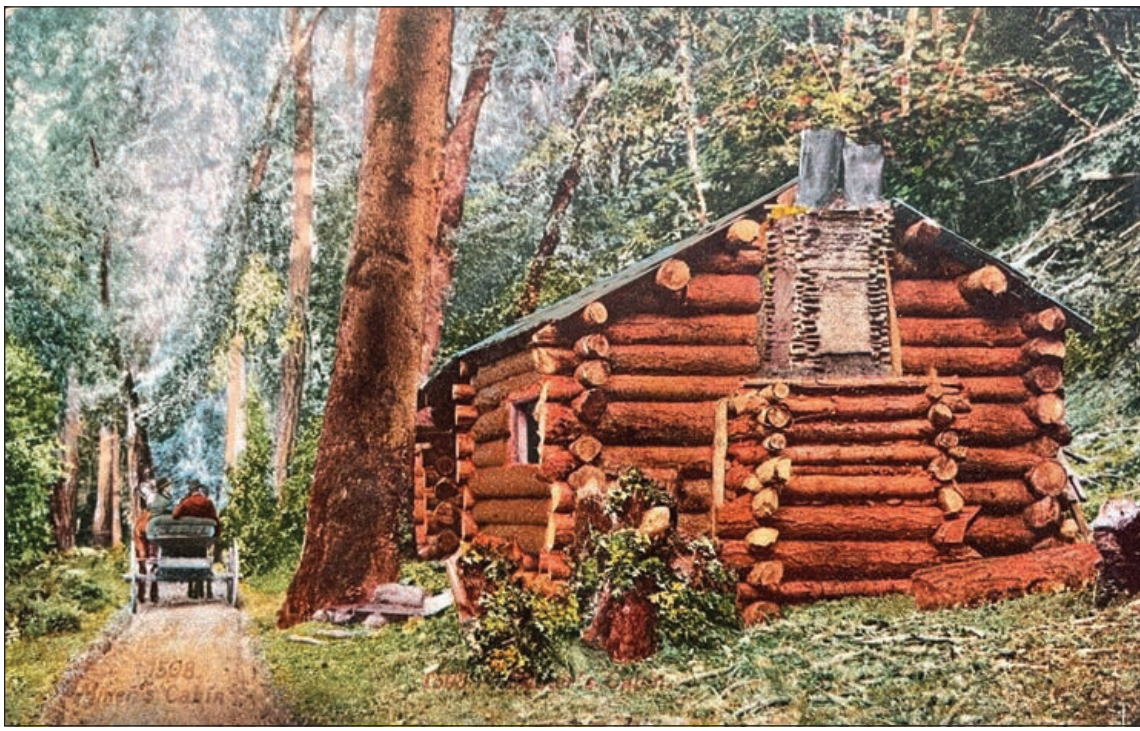
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Postcard image of a miner's cabin near Grants Pass, published by Edward H. Mitchell of San Francisco. This postcard was post-marked Oct. 12, 1908.

## Legends of lost cabins and gold mines tantalize treasure hunters

By FINN J.D. JOHN  
Guest Article

Lost or abandoned cabins pop up so often in legends of missing gold mines and buried treasure that they are almost a cliché.

Most of them follow a clear pattern or formula — in fact, all lost-treasure stories do: The seeker stumbles across the treasure while doing something else; he is called away for some reason; and he can never find his way back, despite devoting years to fruitless searching.

There may not be a more faithful example of that pattern than the story of the lost cabin of Steamboat Mountain.

The Steamboat Mountain Lost Cabin Gold Mine story dates back to 1870, when two prominent citizens of Central Point, Constantine Magruder and Doc Lee, took some time off to do some deer hunting near the Applegate River in Jackson County.

The two of them made camp near a small spring on the side of Steamboat Mountain, and for a couple days they each rode out separately in the morning to hunt, returning to their camp at night.

On the third day, Magruder came across an old abandoned log cabin, with a partly collapsed roof, tucked away in a grove of heavy trees in a spot that appeared to have been chosen for concealment. It had been abandoned for years, maybe decades; a tree was growing up through its floor where the roof had fallen in.

Magruder dismounted to investigate. It looked as if it had been abandoned in a hurry — by someone who had come to a bad end; there was a gold pan on the floor with a few nuggets in it, near a miner's pick.

Magruder pocketed the nuggets, looked around a little more, and got back on his horse. It was late, and he was a long way from camp.

Hurriedly he made his way back, arriving just in time before the twilight faded completely into blackness, and told Dr. Lee about his discovery.

Magruder and Lee decided

to run into town the next day to restock their provisions before investigating; they were running low, and they wanted to have as much time as possible to do the diggings, which must be near the cabin.

Back in Central Point, they told a blacksmith, Bill Hays, about their find. Hays got very excited. Unlike the other two, he was familiar with the story of "Old Set-Em-Up," the prospector from Yreka who had a secret cabin and gold mine up north in Oregon. "Old Set-Em-Up," according to the story, stayed in his secret cabin working his secret mine all summer in 1851 and 1852, returned to Yreka for the winter loaded with gold, and basically kept the whole town in drinks all winter long. His nickname was derived from the shout of "Set 'em up for the house!" with which he habitually announced his arrival at the saloon each night.

Then, in 1853, Old Set-Em-Up vanished, touching off several decades of prospectors scouring through the woods of Southern Oregon looking for his cabin and mine.

It was Old Set-Em-Up's cabin that Hay thought his friends might have stumbled across.

Hay joined Magruder and Lee on their return to their camp. But in typical "Lost Gold Story" style, they were unable to figure out where their camp had been. And without their old camp as a starting point, Magruder had no idea how to find the old cabin.

The three of them hunted for several days without success. They came back several more times to search, over the next five years; but they never did find the old cabin again.

The other Lost Cabin story involves a miner who decided that, rather than wandering all over the backcountry digging holes and hoping to find gold in them, he'd dig someplace where he KNEW he'd find gold:

In the strongbox chained to a Wells Fargo & Co. stagecoach.

This miner — whose name I have not been able to learn — was in Boise City when he somehow learned that a particular

stagecoach would be transporting a big haul of cash and gold along a trail that ran through country he knew well. The temptation was apparently just too much for him.

So a few days before the run, he saddled up, loaded his pack horse with provisions and equipment as if going into the mountains to prospect, and told everyone he knew that he was headed into the wild country around Silver City to look for gold.

A few miles outside town, he turned around and headed back to the stage road, to a spot at the base of a steep climb where he knew he could stop the stage.

The coach got there just around dusk, and the miner got the drop on the driver easily. He tied him up securely and gagged him, tied the team to a tree, and then used his miner's pick to "prospect" in the strongbox.

Not surprisingly, he immediately struck pay dirt.

The robber loaded down his pack horse with 100 pounds of gold, stuffed all the banknotes in his pockets, and slipped away, leaving the driver helpless.

The next day, the coach having failed to arrive, riders went out to search, and easily found the tied-up driver.

But they were almost too late. It was late afternoon on a very hot day, and he had been lying in the scorching sun all day. He very nearly died, and was too delirious to say anything for several days as he recovered.

By this time, the robber was in The Dalles, prospecting around a bit to maintain his cover, and keeping an eye on the Boise newspapers whenever he could. In this way, he learned that a partner of his, who had set out on a prospecting trip a day or two after he had, had been arrested for the robbery. Then the partner was convicted and sentenced to eight years for it.

Conscience-stricken, the robber nearly decided to give himself up; but instead, he went into the mountains and built himself a little cabin and lived in it as a hermit.

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## The grand finale?

By DR. CHARLES HURBIS  
Guest Article

Remember when you'd go to the fireworks displays on the fourth of July? There was always that moment of, "well, I think that was the end," only to have them continue? Next there would be a huge bursting display. This time you were certain the display budget had been expended, only to have them continue once again.

It wasn't until that final grand flourish, the one where you thought your ears would burst, leaving no doubt this was the end that it was finally safe to walk back to your car and drive home. Regarding COVID, we've reached over a million cases a day, we'll have a million deaths soon recorded and have an exposure rate of close to 90% (infection or vaccine), I'm thinking these sad facts may prove to be our not so grand finale.

How close are we to completing this recent wave and is this the final wave? The primary goal of any species, be it advanced vertebrate or a virus, is survival and propagation. For a virus to survive, it needs a host which will survive long enough to infect as many people as possible. The more contagious and less dangerous a virus the better it has adapted for survival. In the case of Ebola, outbreaks don't last long because the hosts don't last long. The disease is so horrific that society will isolate those infected in what is the equivalent of a modern-day leper colony. Alternatively, the flu virus hits the sweet spot. It spreads widely because over 99% of those infected survive, leaving them able to infect others. It has also adapted to evading vaccines annually. COVID is evolving just this way.

Over the past two years, COVID has become more contagious and less dangerous, the perfect combination for its survival as an endemic rather than pandemic species. Delta was much more contagious than the original strain but also more dangerous thus it burned out quickly. Omicron was perhaps 10 times as contagious but "milder." Now we have the emergence of a new variant of Omicron, BA.2, which is twice as contagious as the original Omicron and no more dangerous. The Delta variant remained controllable with the original vaccines whereas Omicron (and likely this new variant) are not. Contagion, survivability and evasion. We've checked all the boxes for an endemic virus. Is the pandemic almost over? It seems that we are finally headed that way.

And it's about time, the planet has a lot of healing to do. This era in human history has scarred the survivors in ways, both physically and emotionally, we couldn't have fathomed five years ago. Most survivors of COVID have been physically damaged in some way. In some, such as a developing a new chronic pulmonary or cardiac condition, it's obvious. In the majority though it's subtle, and mostly undetectable. Still, there are very few who don't notice some slight physical difference



Dr. Charles Hurbis

after a severe COVID infection. Aside from direct functional compromise, this pandemic and all that has been required to contain it has caused undeniable social and emotional damage, especially among the young. Humans are just another species.

In some respects, we're not much different from dogs. And like dogs we need our daily routines. Without them, we develop personality changes, behavioral issues and loss of socialization. One only needs to pick up a paper to see daily examples of this. When, pre-pandemic, do we remember reading about flight attendants being attacked? We witness repeatedly large- and small-scale battles over masks and vaccines, some leading to violence. Certainly, COVID cannot be blamed for all of this, but it has in part contributed to our country's behavioral reset. COVID somehow became divisive, a pot to stir for many disruptive groups. The question now is, how long will it take us to reacquire our old social norms or will we?

And this internal discord has cost us dearly. Our country's strength was always based on a few common beliefs, shared by all groups which strengthened us as a nation. Somehow COVID has polarized us and the outcome of how we've handled this pandemic speaks for itself. In our great nation, we currently stand at 2,982 deaths per million. That figure is 20 times that of Japan and Australia, 300 times that of New Zealand and almost 1,000 times that of China (and they had the original outbreak)! The only country that matches us in deaths is the socially free-thinking Greece, with Mexico and the combined European Union not far behind.

These numbers make one think that maybe we could have done a better job at this? Probably, but heck, that might have hurt the economy and cost big business money. It seems with all the published numbers our economy is "booming," with personal wealth, employment and incomes reaching all-time highs, but at what cost? And does anyone really believe these numbers? Does this really feel like a time of unparalleled prosperity for our country as the numbers seemingly indicate?

Our country was on the verge of splitting even before the pandemic and COVID has given this movement a solid platform. I guess what has impressed me, both watching the news and in my personal/professional

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# Community Calendar of Events

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When: 5:30 - 11 p.m., February 11

Where: Coos Bay Eagles Club

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**What: Friday Game Day**

When: 2-4 p.m. Fridays in February

Where: Coos Bay Public Library

You Should Know: Teens 12-18 are invited to drop-in to play board games at the Coos Bay Public Library. The program will utilize the Coos Bay Public Library's collection of board games. The Coos Bay Library has a collection of over 200 board games for the community to checkout. The collection caters to a wide range of interests and age levels and features traditional board games and cooperative games.

**What: Star paper circuits**

When: Began February 7

Where: Hosted by Coos Bay Public Library

You Should Know: kids age 8 and up can pick up a light up star kit at the Coos Bay Public Library which they can make at home using paper circuits. Paper circuits allow kids the opportunity to explore basic electricity and engineering concepts by using special maker tape and LED lights. The kits, which were designed by Brown Dog Gadgets, are part of the Coos Bay Library's efforts to provide STEM programming throughout the community. Each kit contains a pattern for a star, 2 LED lights, a cell battery and maker tape for the project.

**What: Southwestern Oregon Preppers to meet**

When: Noon, February 12

Where: 87616 18th Street SE, Bandon

You Should Know: The main topic is "Worst Case Scenarios." The past couple of years have been bad. But what's the worst we can expect? Will things get better or worse in 2022? Let's figure it out so we can be prepared for it. SWOP meetings always start with a question and answer period before the main topic so all in attendance get a chance to participate.

**What: Virtual Star Party with OMSI**

When: 5:30-6:30 p.m., February 16

Where: Hosted by Coos Bay Public Library, event will be on Zoom

You Should Know: Kids kindergarten through sixth grade are invited to tour the night sky with the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry. Visit the solar system with stops at the planets, their moons, and the sun and learn more about earth's place in the universe. Learn about motions of our seasonal sky, the tools that help us explore, and the history of space exploration. Pre-registration is required at [www.coosbaylibrary.org](http://www.coosbaylibrary.org); a link to the virtual Zoom program will be sent out the week prior to the program. Registration can be found on the Library's Event page.

**What: Winter Reading Challenge**

When: Through March 1

Where: Hosted by Coos Bay Public Library

You Should Know: Start the new year off right with a Winter Reading Challenge at the Coos Bay Public Library. Beginning January 1 and continuing through March 1, the all-ages program challenges participants to read, get outside and explore what the Coos Bay Public Library offers. Prizes include a Pottery Company gift certificate, an insulated library bag filled with literary swag, several Lego sets and more.

**What: ASL Practice Place**

When: Noon, February 17

Where: Hosted by Coos Bay Public Library, event will be on Zoom

You Should Know: Coos Bay Public Library has partnered with instructor Kandy Bergquist. Bergquist teaches American Sign Language and signed English at Southwestern Oregon Community College. She has worked with the deaf and hard of hearing as an interpreter, classroom aid and speech pathologist

Information: Register at <https://bit.ly/3m6j2WG>

**What: Food and Literature distribution drive**

When: 3-5 p.m. February 26

Where: Mingus Park

You Should Know: The Movement for People's Democracy will host the event, giving away food and literature to those in need. People are asked to take what they need and leave what they can. Things needed include canned food with pull tops, water bottles, granola bars, dried fruit and disposable masks.

**What: COVID vaccine clinic**

When: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. daily

Where: Pony Village Mall

You Should Know: The Oregon Health Authority is sponsoring the ongoing clinic which will have all three approved vaccines available. Anyone age 5 and over is eligible to be vaccinated. Those who have been vaccinated and it has been six months since their second dose are eligible for a booster shot.

**What: Teen writers group**

When: 4-5 p.m., every Thursday

Where: Coos Bay Public Library and online

You Should Know: Each week will include a writing prompt or game, time to write independently, and an opportunity to share work with the group. The group will continue to meet until March 31.

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# SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

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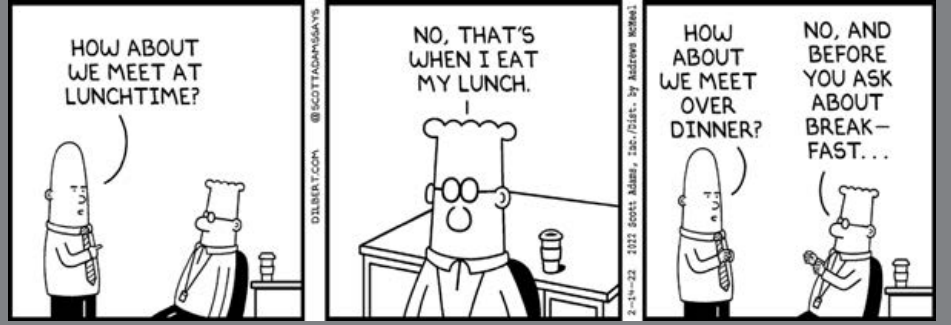
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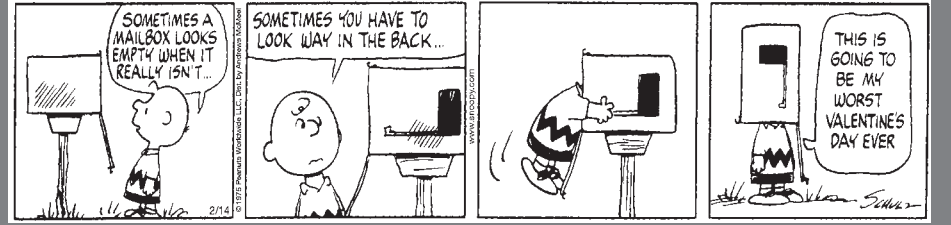
**HOW TO PLAY:**  
Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

**MONDAY**

**DILBERT**



**CLASSIC PEANUTS**



**FRANK AND ERNEST**



# SUDOKU

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**PREVIOUS SOLUTION**

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**HOW TO PLAY:**  
Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

**ACROSS**

- 1 Sign one's name to
- 4 Cause a blister
- 7 Tempest
- 11 Spring month in Paris
- 12 Icy crystals
- 13 Mighty steed
- 14 Cherry seed
- 15 Hoople expletive
- 16 Smooth-tongued
- 17 Percolate
- 19 Operatic prince
- 20 Camper's berth
- 21 Rank above maj.
- 22 "Goodbye!"
- 25 XC
- 28 Pentagon VIP
- 29 Urban map
- 31 Fish roe
- 33 Switch position

**34 New Age singer**

- 36 Say "I do"
- 37 "Anyone home?"
- 40 Thickly settled
- 42 Caramel-colored
- 43 California's Big —
- 44 They accompany "aahs"
- 46 Pack animal
- 49 Cover with asphalt
- 50 Skip past
- 52 Word of disgust
- 54 Sonny's ex
- 55 Orbit segments
- 56 Hire a lawyer
- 57 Lies on the beach
- 58 "— upon this quiet life!"

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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**59 Maxim or proverb**

- DOWN**
- 1 Rascal
  - 2 Do perfectly
  - 3 Flying toy
  - 4 The slow lane
  - 5 Ms. Thurman

**6 Furniture buy**

- 7 Flock
- 8 Guthrie of folk music
- 9 Fox's abode
- 10 Wane
- 12 Get back
- 18 Expert
- 19 Solar wind component
- 21 Metro area
- 22 Historian's word
- 23 Refuse to obey
- 24 The lowdown
- 25 Metric prefix
- 26 Settlement
- 27 First name in fashion
- 30 Ponce de —
- 32 Fruity drink
- 35 Former teens
- 38 Not us
- 39 Bought
- 41 Baseball stat.
- 43 Cut the cake
- 44 Kauai neighbor
- 45 Kiln
- 47 Rump
- 48 Water, in Baja
- 49 HP or Dell wares
- 50 Big galoot
- 51 Hosp. scanner
- 53 Wield an ax

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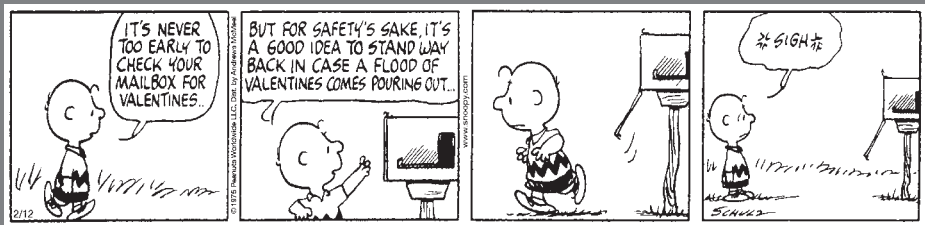
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**DILBERT**



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**ACROSS**

- 1 Obtained
- 4 Senate votes
- 8 Notoriety
- 12 Rap sheet
- 38 Not us
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**40 Say incorrectly**

- 41 Cote dweller
- 42 Boundaries
- 43 Youngster
- 45 Make leather
- 47 She, objectively
- 49 Platitude
- 53 Prince in India
- 58 Boor
- 59 On a rampage
- 60 Region
- 61 Lilly of pharmaceuticals
- 62 Hindu princess
- 63 "By Jove!"
- 64 Grabbed a chair

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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**DOWN**

- 1 Stare stupidly
- 2 Just fine
- 3 Kahuna's spud
- 4 Search engine
- 5 Cassowary kin
- 6 Broadcast

**7 Dry and withered**

- 8 Meets head-on
- 9 "So!"
- 10 Dude, Jamaica-style
- 11 Hole in a needle

**17 — for the money**

- 19 Very, in Paris
- 22 Honshu metropolis
- 24 From square one
- 25 Entered data
- 26 Comic strip's — Nomad
- 27 Apparent
- 28 Polar explorer
- 30 TV's — Griffin
- 31 Atlas closeup
- 33 Docs prescribe them
- 39 Await judgment
- 41 Hoofed animal
- 44 Drab color
- 46 Oohed and —
- 48 Tear down
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- 55 Term of endearment
- 56 Run for fitness
- 57 Literary collection

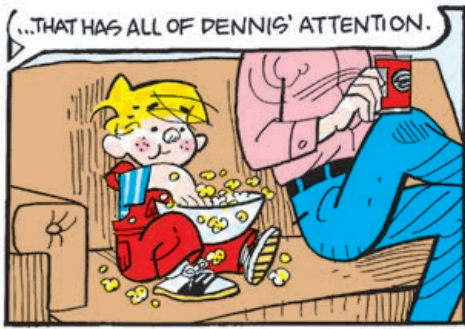
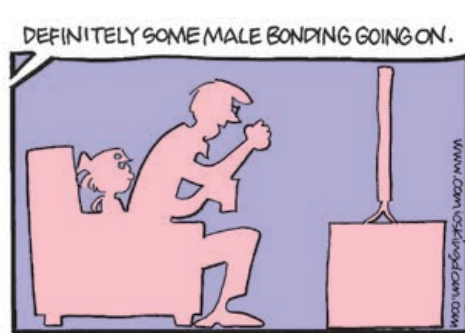
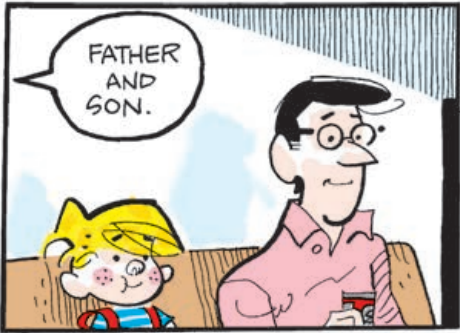
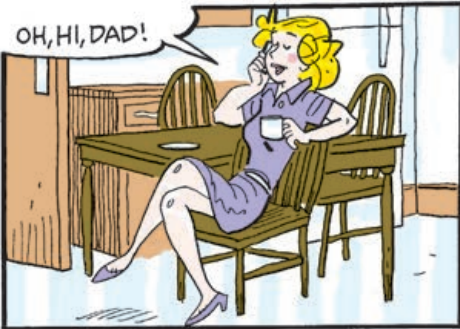
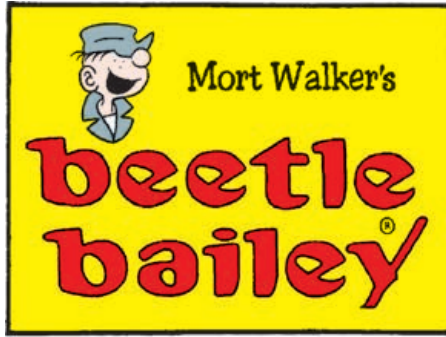
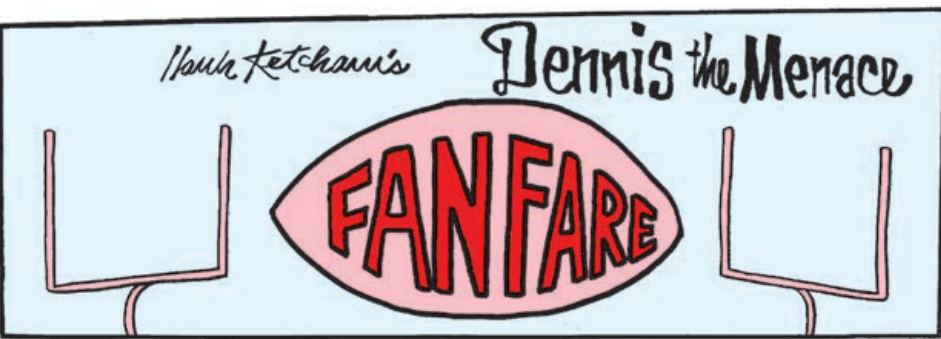
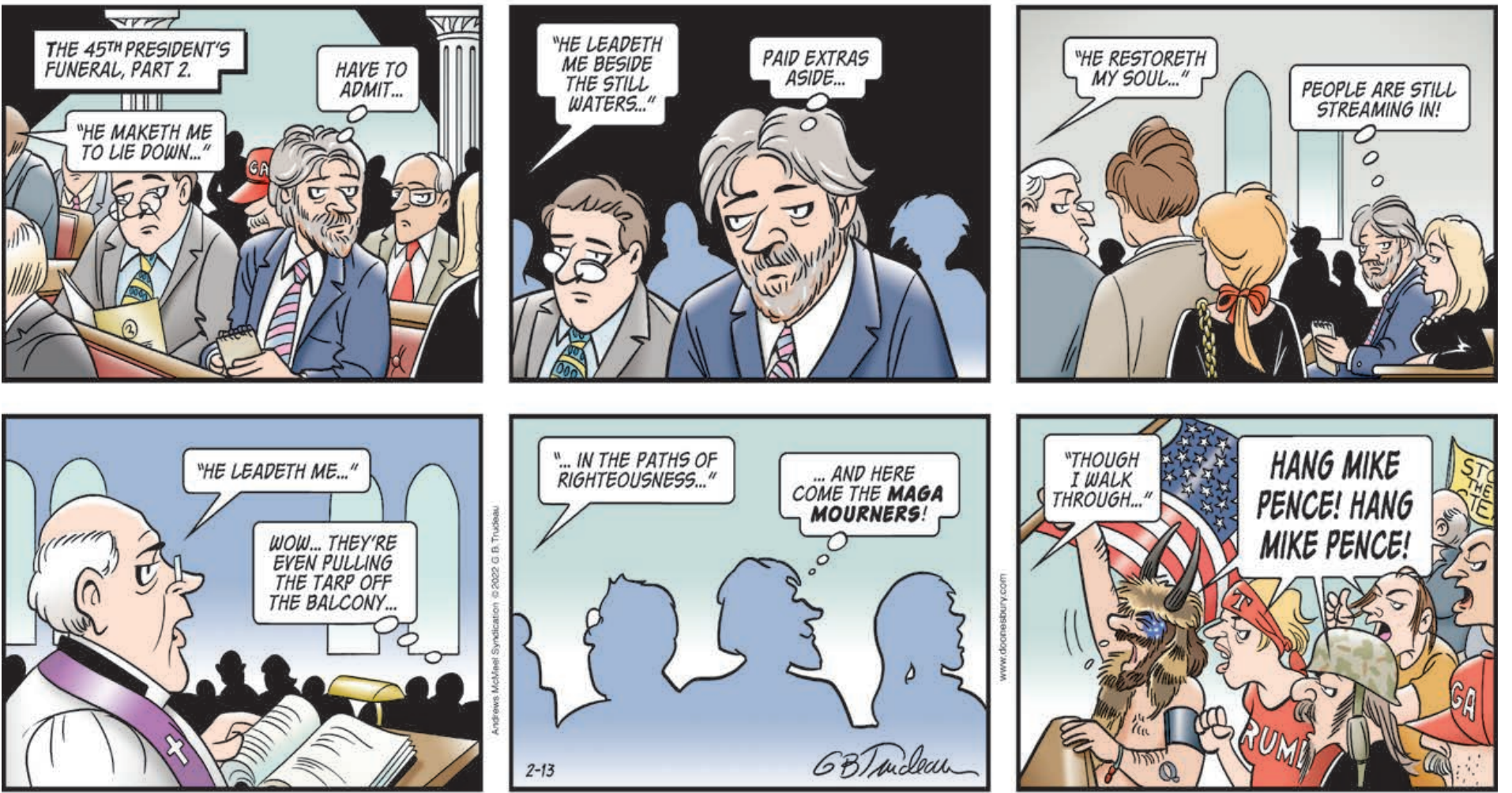
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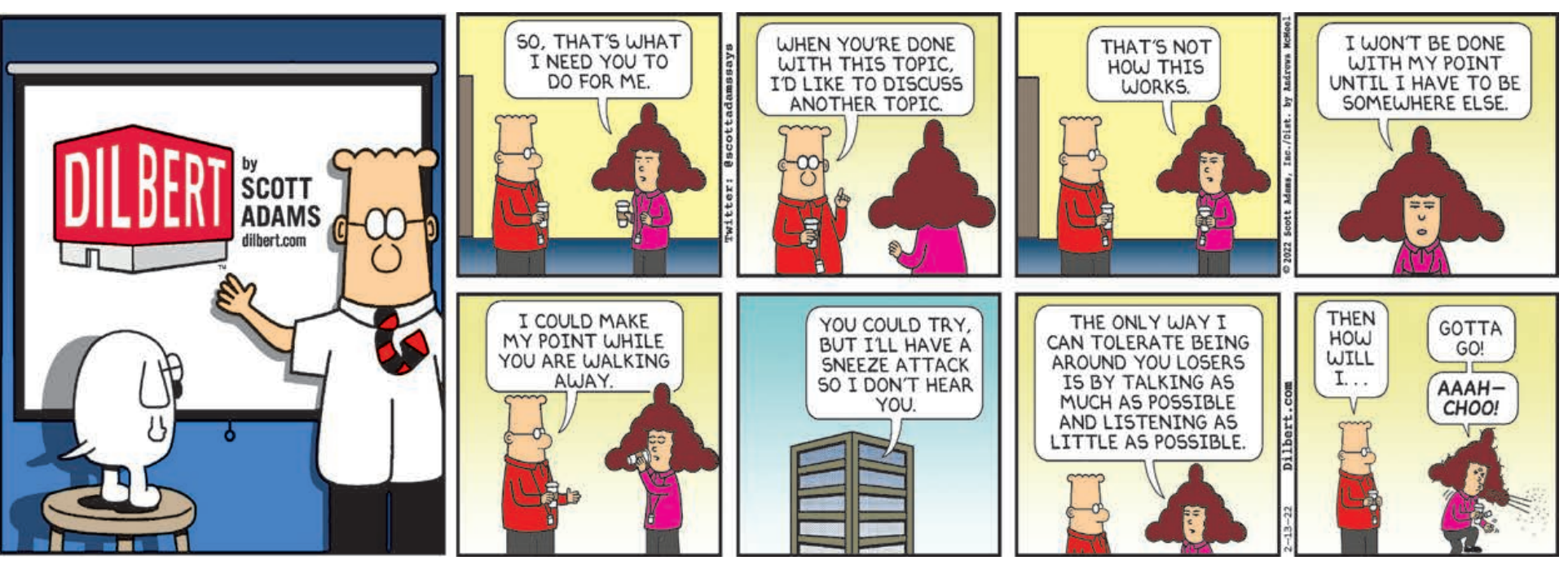
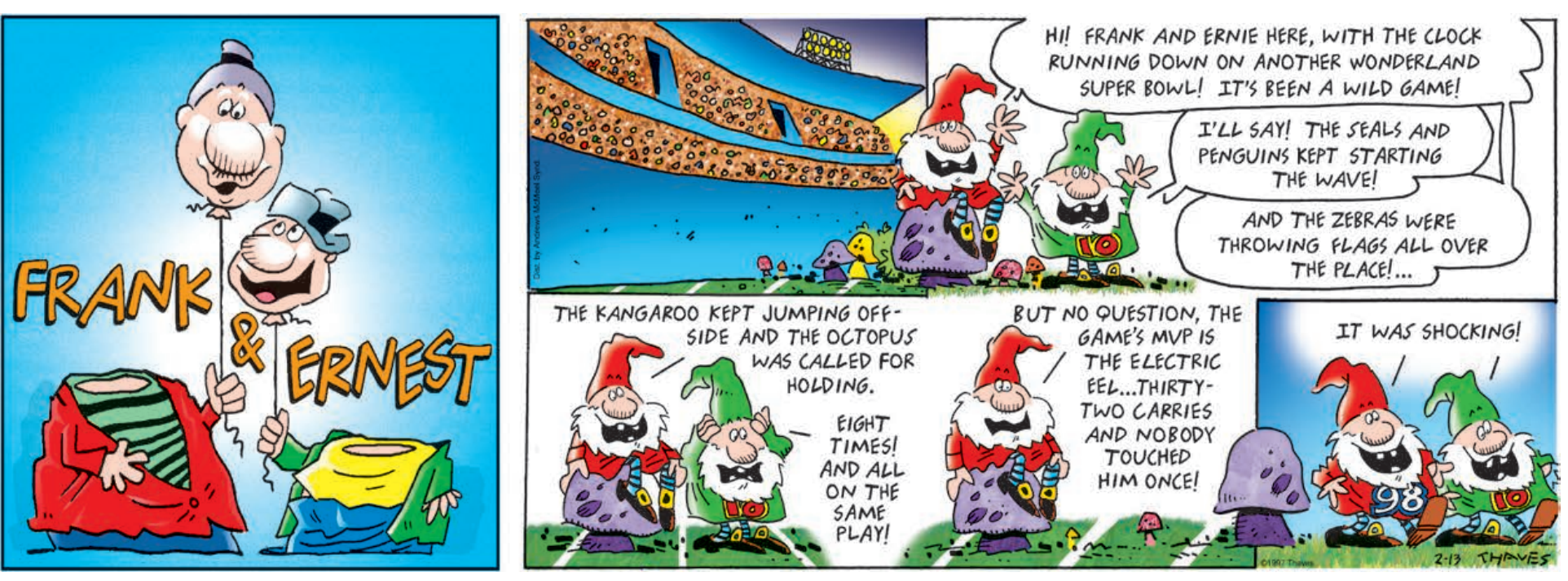
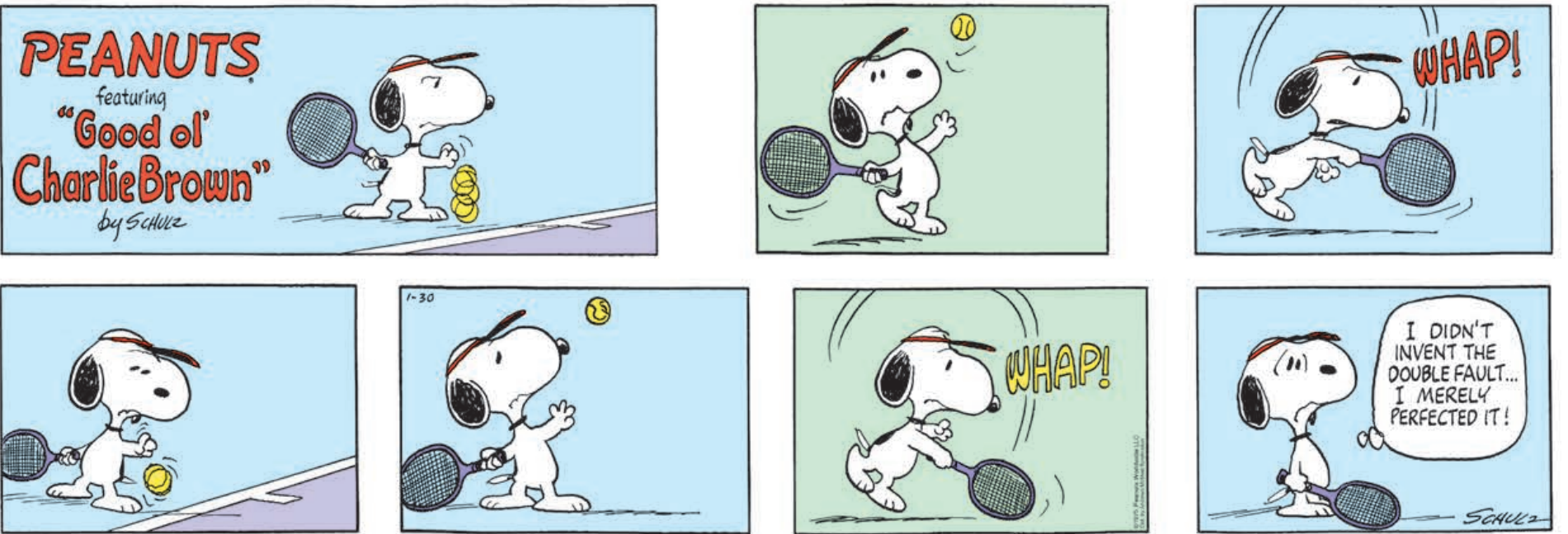
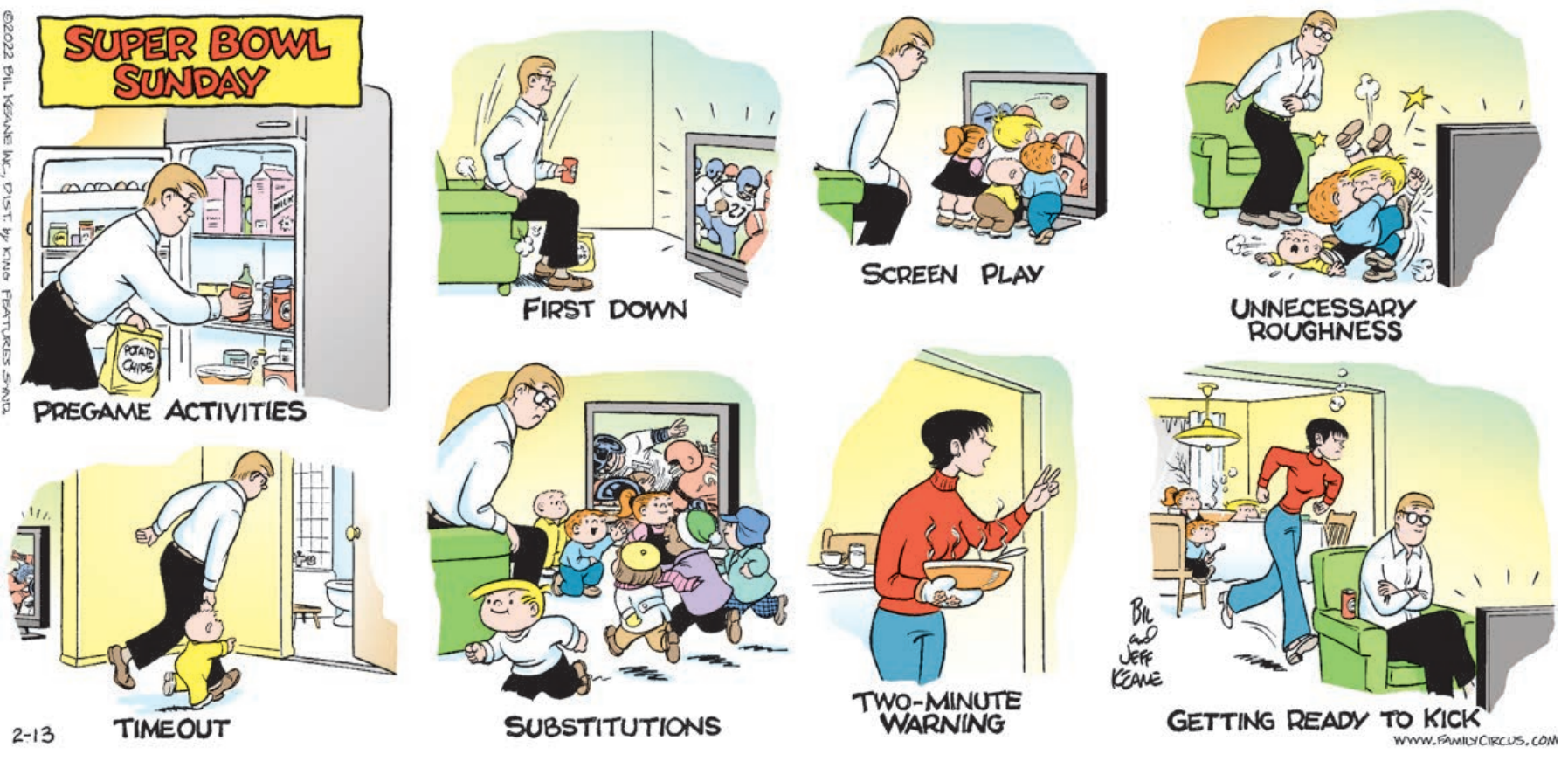
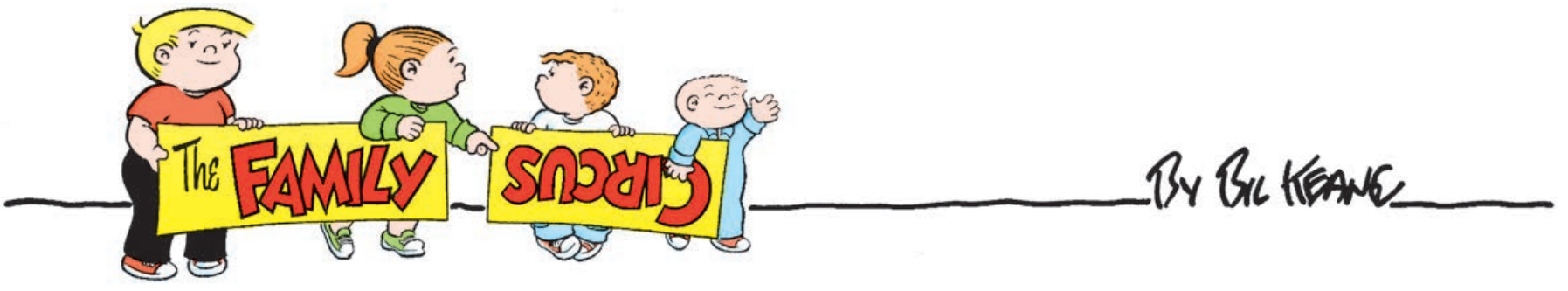
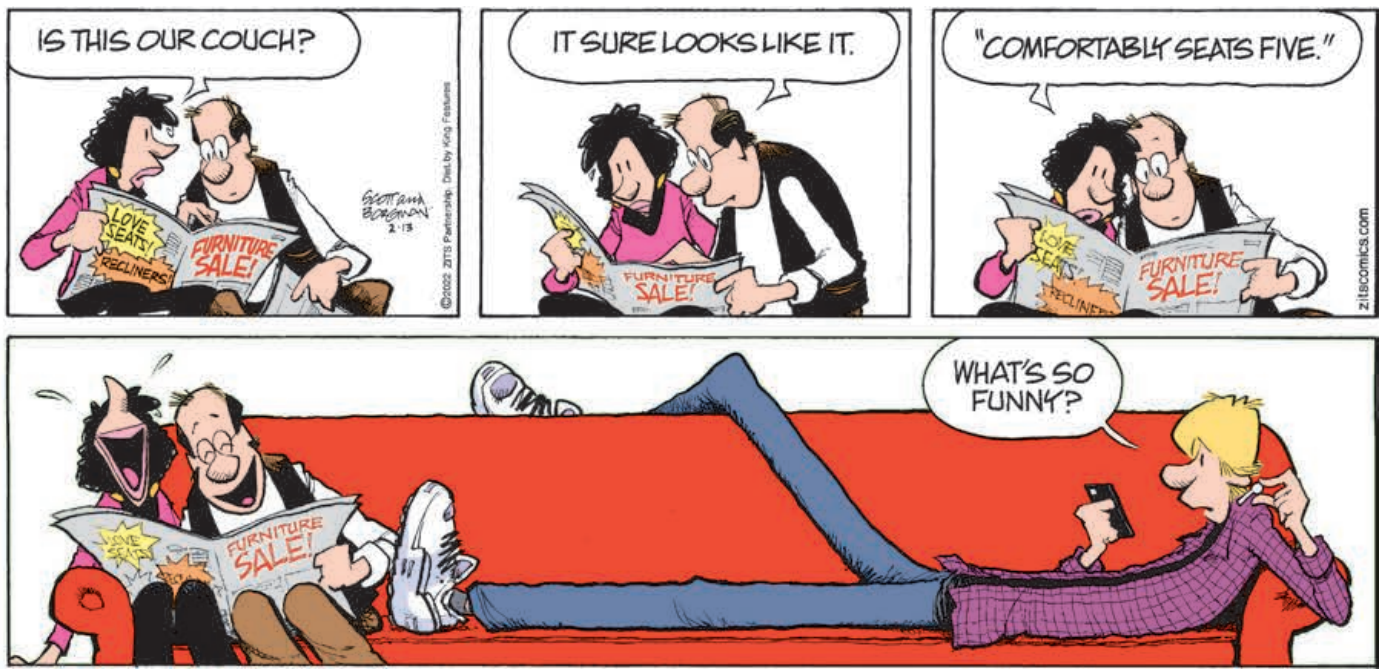
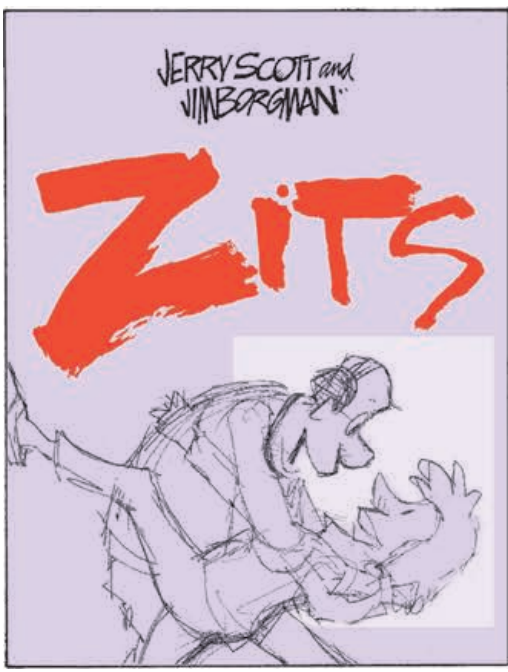
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# DOONESBURY

## BY GARRY TRUDEAU







# The Chamber Minute: We are in this together



In these challenging times, as we focus on our friends and neighbors, I have had an experience that I'd like to share with you. A local church has a free clothing give away prior to school starting. It had become an annual tradition with them each year until COVID hit in 2020. The clothes must be good, as some used to camp out the night before to be first in line. The real story of what went on was the people. So let me share a few of those with you from a couple years back.

A little girl, after looking at the shoes available,

exclaimed, "Oh mama, they don't have any holes." A man thanked the women that were working in the program saying, "did you do this before?" "Yes, we had a similar program last year." "I guess I didn't notice last year because I had my mill job and everything was all right. This year I'm being retrained at SWOCC to be a welder. So far I haven't lost my house or car. I got the kids coats for the winter, but I burnt holes in mine at class and haven't had the money to replace it."

He pulled a coat from his sack and put it on.

"Doesn't this fit good? Thank you." One lady came here from Colorado with only the clothes on her back. She found two suits and said, "what a wonderful thing this is. Now I can go to my job interview looking nice. Thank you." Lastly, a little girl about 10 years old came. She asked three times if the clothes and shoes were free. "Yes" was the reply. "Not even a nickel or a dime?" "No." Then she picked out two pair of high heel shoes, a long blue dress and a fur trimmed blouse. She asked again, "are these free?"

Yes, you can have anything you can use. "Oh no, these aren't for me. I have a friend who lives next door. She has cerebral palsy and can't leave her room much and she loves to play dress up."

She said her friend would be so glad. And the stories went on and on. What this points out is we don't have to look to a third world country to find need. People are hungry, people are in need of clothes and in need of friends right here, right now.

As we have heard throughout the past couple

years of the pandemic, we are all in this together. So take some time to see those needs and do something about them. Continue that story of caring repeated again and again in 2020 and 2021. At the chamber, we believe a caring community is what we should always be.

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

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



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An old Wells Fargo & Co. strongbox of the type used on stagecoaches to protect valuables, with a Colt Firearms padlock securing it. This particular strongbox sold in 2011 for \$4,600.

## History

From B1

The stolen gold he cached under a stump nearby.

After half a dozen or so years of total solitude, the robber emerged, and traveled back to Boise City. There he found that no one remembered him or suspected him of anything, and his partner's prison term was nearly up.

But before the robber could do anything else, he got very sick. On his very deathbed, he wrote out a confession, exonerating his partner and giving detailed directions for finding the stump under which he'd stashed the stolen gold.

The problem was, the

directions started from the cabin door; and he didn't mention where the cabin was. All anyone knew was that it was somewhere in the mountains of northwest Oregon.

This kicked off a miniature gold rush in The Dalles and points east. But, so far as is known, nobody ever did manage to figure out where the robber's secret cabin was.

The cabin, of course, is long gone. But the possibility remains that somewhere up there in the High Cascades, under the forest duff where 150 years ago a tree grew, nearly \$3 million worth of gold ingots are nestled snugly in the dirt.

(Sources: *Lost Mines and Treasures of the Pa-*

*cific Northwest*, a book by Ruby El Hult published in 1957 by Binfords & Mort Publishers)

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## Doc H

From B1

interactions, is just how influenceable individuals and our society can be. What we've had here at points along the path of this pandemic, were many clear forks in the road. One clearly leads you to higher ground, the other subjects you to the flood waters. Forks occurred over social separation, the need for shut-downs, masking and then most vocally over the vaccines. Irrational skepticism and suspicion about the vaccine and its effectiveness led to two groups, the vaxers and the anti-vaxers, which was almost a 50:50 split. The antivaxers believe that the vaccines were dangerous, part of a governmental conspiracy and not effective. How could such a large group be so far off base? A recent bar graph published in the NYT compares the weekly average deaths from COVID in different sub-populations within the U.S. The facts couldn't be clearer. If you are unvaccinated your weekly risk of dying is 7.8 per 100,000 population. If you are vaccinated that number plummets to 0.6, and if boosted to only 0.1. So, by choosing to not be vaccinated, for whatever your personal reason, you are increasing your chance of dying from COVID by 7,800% over a boosted individual! It turns out, if you are vaccinated and boosted, you have a substantially higher chance of dying from garden variety flu or a car accident than from COVID. How is it this isn't obvious?

But, as clear as the choice should be, there has always been a small but vocal group at every juncture who have somehow convinced half the flock that the more dangerous path is the one to take. Oddly, almost half our population will watch their supposed leaders occasionally fall by the wayside. Regardless, they continue along their misguided path, not for a second thinking it might be the wrong choice. I think it must be weekly that we see an article of some high profile anti-vaxer or anti-masker succumbing to COVID, after a month of fighting for their life in some ICU, often changing their opinions in the final moments. Yet their herd, with blinders on, seem to just step over the cold, dead bodies of their prior leaders and continue along their misguided way. And this not a monochromatic group, it spans all economic groups, social classes and levels of education. Daily I witness this, I don't get it, but I realize I have to accept it because clearly nothing is going to change it.

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