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Coos Bay Downtown Association names new Director

For the World

The Coos Bay Downtown Association (CBDA) announced the appointment of April Keeley as its new Coos Bay Downtown Director, bringing to the position more than a decade of experience as a downtown business owner and a strong history of service and leadership within the organization.

Keely has been an active part of the Downtown Coos Bay community for more than 11 years as a local business owner. Her involvement with the Coos Bay Downtown Association includes serving on the Board for the past three years, as well as serving as a committee co-chair. Her experience as both a downtown business owner and CBDA volunteer gives April a first-hand understanding of the opportunities and challenges facing the downtown district.

"I'm excited to step into this new role as the Coos Bay Downtown Director," April said. "Downtown means so much to me, and I can't wait to serve our businesses, residents, and community while helping Downtown Coos Bay continue to grow and thrive."

As a mother of three girls, April also brings a personal commitment to creating a vibrant and welcoming community that future generations will be proud to call home.

"Following a rigorous and thoughtful hiring process, we were fortunate to have a number of strong candidates interested in leading the Coos Bay Downtown Association," said Beth Clarkson, President of the CBDA Board of Directors. "After careful consideration, it became clear that April was the best fit for the position. Her experience as a downtown business owner, her years of service to the CBDA, and her genuine commitment to our downtown community give her a unique understanding of both the organization and the people we serve. We are excited to have April step into this leadership role and look forward to what's ahead for Downtown Coos Bay."

The Coos Bay Downtown Association is dedicated to promoting economic vitality, historic character, and community spirit of Downtown Coos Bay. Through collaboration with businesses, property owners, community organizations, volunteers, and local leaders, CBDA works to create a thriving downtown for residents, businesses, and visitors and ensure Downtown Coos Bay remains a welcoming destination to shop, dine, gather, and experience the heart of the community.



New CBDA Director April Keely

CCSO make three warrant arrests in two-day span

Staff Report

Coos County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) deputies made three warrant arrests in coincidental circumstances during the week of August 24, 2026. All three came from stops or instances in which the warrant was not the main cause of the interaction.

The first two arrests came on Friday, August 24, when a CCSO deputy spotted a gray Ford F-150 driving well over the posted construction speed limit through the County Roads Department's work sight on Seven Devils Road near the turn off to Salal Road. The truck sped up and turned into a private driveway upon noticing the police vehicle turning to follow them.

Activating their emergency lights, the deputy followed the truck into the driveway where he stopped the driver and his two passengers. The occupants of the truck confirmed they did not live or have business at the location in which they'd pulled into.

The driver received multiple traffic citations for violating the speed limit, while a search of the truck's two passengers, Dusty L. Setzer (40) and Jimmie Rozier (45), confirmed that the two had outstanding warrants in Coos County. The pair were transported to the Coos County Jail after the whole car was warned for criminal trespassing.

The third warrant arrest came along the side of Highway 101. The North Coos Dispatch center received a call at around 7:09 p.m. on August 26. According to the report, a man was lying on the fog line near milepost 254. A deputy would respond shortly to find the man in question.

Identified as Lawrence R. Zosel (50), the man was apparently uninjured and stated he was just lying down and taking a nap. A cursory check revealed that Zosel had an outstanding warrant in Douglas County. Upon confirmation, he would be transported to the Coos County Jail.

The CCSO always reminds readers that "police action is not indicative of guilt. All persons are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law."



Jason Patterson, Coos County animal control officer, describes the animal shelter's new incinerator, which should be operational within a few weeks. The propane-fired device has a 1,600-pound capacity main chamber which burns contents and a smaller afterburner above, which reburns the exhaust before it's expelled. The short chimney that came with the furnace is on the ground in front. It will be bolted to the top of the afterburner and an extension will go through the roof of the three-sided metal shed.

County installs incinerator at animal shelter

By DEAN BRICKEY
For the World

Coos County has a new way to save money and, potentially, to increase revenue.

The Animal Shelter at 92960 Southport Lane, about six miles south of Coos Bay, has installed a propane-fired incinerator. Jason Patterson, the county's animal control officer, said the equipment should be ready to use within a few weeks. In addition to Patterson, the shelter has two employees.

He said the county has obtained a permit from the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to operate the incinerator, but the burner came without a long-enough smokestack. Placed inside a three-sided metal shed near the animal shelter, the incinerator needs to be vented better, he said. A contractor is fabricating a longer smokestack, which will rise through the building's roof when it's installed.

Patterson said the county has been working on this project about two years — and has been paying the DEQ for the privilege since. Construction began about a year ago after Coos County Commissioners authorized spending $73,500 of American Rescue Plan funds to buy the incinerator and prepare it for use.

The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, also called the COVID-19 Stimulus Package, was a $1.9 trillion economic stimulus bill Congress passed and President Joe Biden signed into law in 2021 to speed the country's recovery from the economic and health effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and recession.

"The permitting was the hardest portion to get through," Patterson said, because DEQ officials questioned the county's need for an incinerator. Once county officials cleared that hurdle, they had to find an incinerator the DEQ would approve.

"I had to add a secondary afterburner to the incinerator for the exhaust, for the particulate," he said, adding that DEQ also required the county to install a computer to record the burning process and temperatures.

Once it's operational, Patterson said, the furnace would burn about 180 pounds an hour. The firebox has a 1,600-pound capacity.

Sheriff Gabriel "Gabe" Fabrizio said the incinerator will save the county money in transportation costs and incineration fees. It pays a sanitation company to haul away animal carcasses. He also expects the county would be able to sell its services to area veterinary clinics.

And then there's the opportunity to use the furnace to destroy evidence that's no longer needed. Evidence to be destroyed once was driven to Brooks, near Salem, for disposal. That facility closed within the past year, however, so the nearest disposal facility is near Tacoma, Wash.

"We can't actually ship evidence and drugs," the sheriff said. "We have to escort it, so it's two people out of the office for as long as it takes to get to Tacoma" and back.

Fabrizio said the Coos County Sheriff's Office eventually expects to destroy its own evidence in the incinerator as well, and to collect revenue from other jurisdictions that use the Coos Bay facility to destroy evidence, including needles and other drug paraphernalia.

He said he's already talked with area police chiefs about bringing their evidence here as well, instead of taking it to

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South Coast payroll employment declines

Staff Report

Coos County total payroll employment fell by 470 jobs in July, mostly due to a seasonally expected decrease of 470 jobs in local government education, according to the Oregon Employment Department.

Other industries with estimated job changes were construction (+20), and professional and business services (+20). Industries that showed losses included transportation, warehousing, and utilities (-40), and private education and health services (-20).

Since July 2025 Coos County payroll employment fell by 450 jobs for a loss of 2.0%.

Jobs were lost in manufacturing (-150); professional and business services (-120); leisure and hospitality (-120); retail trade (-80); and construction (-70). Industries adding jobs over the year were private education and health services (+100) and financial activities (+10). Government added b40 jobs over the year, mostly due to a gain of 110 jobs in Indian tribal local government. Federal government fell by 20 jobs since July 2025.

Curry County payroll employment fell by 30 jobs in July.

Local government education employment decreased by 120 jobs. In private-sector industries, the only notable change was a gain of 60 jobs in leisure and hospitality. Other published industries showed little or no estimated employment change in July.

Over the past year Curry County payrolls slipped slightly, down by 20 jobs to an estimated 6,670 jobs in July. Job losses were estimated in construction (-30); leisure and hospitality (- 30); and local government education (-20). On the positive side, jobs were added in professional and business services (+20); retail trade (+20); and local government excluding educational services (+20).

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Chamber Minute

From the desk of
Rosey Thomas
Executive Director, Bay Area Chamber of Commerce



WBC Is Back! Wednesday Business Connection returns September 2! Senator Dick Anderson will open our season with an update on legislative priorities and the issues affecting our businesses and communities. Can't miss this opportunity to hear firsthand from the Senator on how he will work for the good of our South Coast, and get back to networking and chowing down together. Lunch can be purchased for just $15 and helps your Chamber bring business-friendly programs all season long, so come hungry!

Then, on September 9, Rosey and Andy Boone will present "A Taste of Tuscany." Come learn how you can travel with the Chamber on a fabulous nine-day journey through Tuscany. This trip is open to everyone, and your adventure will also help support the Chamber! We will have a Tuscan lunch on the menu…Mangia!

Join us Wednesdays from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Ko-Kwel Casino Resort. We look forward to seeing you as we kick off another great WBC season!

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Letter to the Editor

Vote Democrat

The control of both the executive and legislative branches by the current Republican administration and Congress has accelerated a deeply concerning decline in our nation's foundational systems and global standing.

The relentless focus on deregulating major industries has dismantled decades of critical environmental protections, accelerating habitat destruction and leaving public health vulnerable to industrial pollution.

Economic policies favoring tax cuts for corporations and the wealthy have worsened wealth inequality, putting an unsustainable financial strain on the middle and working classes while ballooning our national debt.

The administration's isolationist foreign policy and erratic approach to international diplomacy have severely damaged our relationships with our global allies.

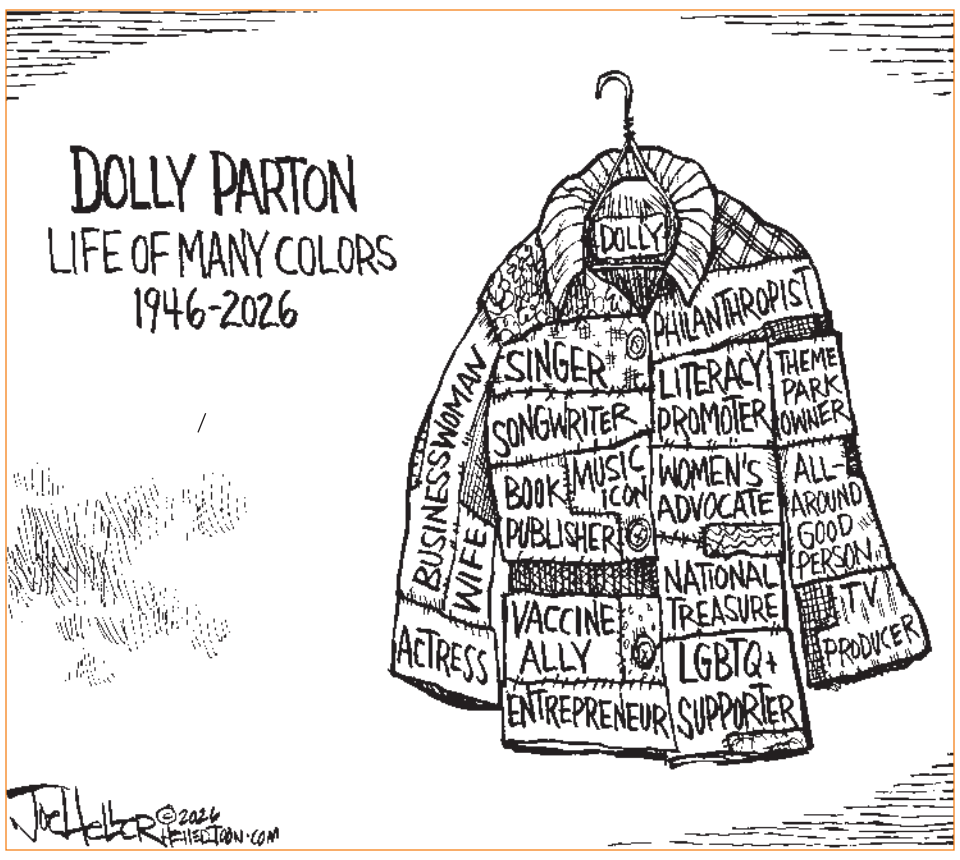
By retreating from international agreements this administration has created a dangerous leadership vacuum on the world stage.

We urgently need a return to balanced governance that prioritizes long-term economic equity, environmental stewardship, and responsible global leadership.

This year, let's choose leaders who will defend our democracy and build a country that works for all of us, not just a few. I encourage everyone to vote Democratic in this year's elections.

Let's move our country forward-with hope, with unity, and with a commitment to justice and opportunity for all.

Becky Conners
Coos Bay





Holy Cow! History

The loss that saved countless lives

By J. Mark Powell
InsideSources.com



ife was a struggle for Nathan Straus from the very start. In 1854, his Jewish family immigrated from Germany when he was 6. Told that business opportunities were good in the South, the family settled here. The small store and trading company they established did well until the tragedy that was the Civil War wiped it out. Convinced it would be decades before the South recovered, the family moved yet again. This time to New York.

L. Straus & Sons followed, quickly becoming a leading importer and wholesaler of glassware and crockery. At long last, fortune was finally smiling on the Straus family. Nathan married in 1875 and soon had six children.

Straus and his brother Isidor soon sensed a fresh opportunity. They were intrigued by a new type of store pioneered by Rowland H. Macy and others. They grew increasingly involved with the Macy's business and, in 1888, became partners in the department store. By 1896, they were co-owners.

Growing public interest in department store shopping led Nathan and his brother to buy a dry goods store in Brooklyn, which turned into Abraham & Strays. It eventually became one of New York's major department stores.

Straus was growing very rich. Yet that wealth didn't spare him from personal tragedy.

Of the six children born to Nathan and Lina Straus, three died young. Child mortality may have been more common than today, but it was no less painful. And one daughter's loss in particular cut especially deep.

In 1878, while on a European trip, toddler Sara died suddenly on board a ship. Her parents believed that most innocent of all substances — milk — was responsible. They suspected it was contaminated. Milk wasn't purified as it is today. Yet hope was on the horizon.

Louis Pasteur had demonstrated how slightly heating liquids kills disease-causing microorganisms. The process was later adapted to milk to combat tuberculosis, diphtheria, typhoid and scarlet fever, along with dangerous bacteria such as Salmonella and E. coli that can secretly lurk within without damaging taste.

Straus' suspicions later intensified when the problem hit home yet again. Back then, wealthy families often owned a milk cow to supply their dairy needs. One day Straus' cow, which had appeared healthy up until then, suddenly became sick and died. An autopsy confirmed the cow was carrying tuberculosis.

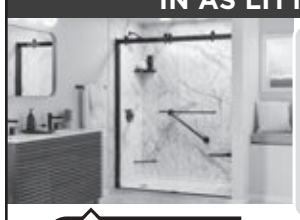
That cemented the deal for Straus. Spurred by memories of little Sara's loss, he began exploring the new pasteurization process for milk. In 1892, the Nathan Straus Pasteurized Milk Laboratory was opened. He eventually established 17 supply centers around the New York metro area to ensure it reached kids. His mission expanded when he was appointed president of New York City's Board of Health in 1898. He even promoted his message through a book, "Disease in Milk: The Remedy, Pasteurization: The Life Work of Nathan Straus."

And he paid for much of it out of his own pocket.

The result? One historical record shows that 20,111 babies were fed pasteurized milk from Straus' centers; only six died. Another indicates that in 1897, the infant mortality rate on Randall's Island was 44 percent. When pasteurization began the next year, it was cut to 20 percent. By 1904, it

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Police Blotter

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- **Coos Bay**
- **August 20**
- 6:46 am, California and S 16th, dispute.
- 7:26 am, 8th St, harassment.
- 9:43 am, S 7th St, shoplifting.
- 10:00 am, Central Ave, probation violation.
- 10:09 am, Newmark and Salmon, warrant service.
- 11:43 am, D St, assault.
- 11:58 am, S 4th St, criminal mischief.
- 1:40 pm, N Front St, probation violation.
- 2:12 pm, S 7th St, criminal trespass.
- 2:17 pm, S 1st St, shoplifting.
- 2:52 pm, S 7th St, shoplifting.
- 3:37 pm, Central Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 3:42 pm, Coos Bay Area, stalking.
- 4:45 pm, S 5th St, disorderly conduct.
- 4:58 pm, S 1st St, criminal trespass.
- 5:22 pm, D St, harassment.
- 5:59 pm, S Cammann St, dispute.
- 6:14 pm, Newmark and S Cammann, disorderly conduct.
- 6:53 pm, 8th Ter, theft.
- 6:57 pm, Ocean Blvd, criminal trespass.
- 7:50 pm, 4th and Anderson, stalking.
- 9:26 pm, 8th Ter, criminal trespass.
- 10:43 pm, Kentucky Ave, juvenile problem.
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- **August 21**
- 7:21 am, S 1st St, criminal trespass.
- 9:06 am, S Cammann, warrant service.
- 9:52 am, N 15th St, theft from vehicle.
- 10:08 am, Empire Lakes John Topits Park, warrant service.
- 10:19 am, S 2nd St, theft.
- 11:10 am, 1st and Johnson, disorderly conduct.
- 12:03 pm, Teakwood Ave, indecent exposure.
- 1:32 pm, W Hemlock Ave, theft.
- 2:05 pm, Stillwater Dr, dispute, family.
- 2:18 pm, Newmark Ave, criminal trespass.
- 2:45 pm, N 8th and Central, accident.
- 3:04 pm, Harbor Ave, dispute.
- 4:18 pm, Newmark Ave, theft.
- 4:54 pm, S Broadway St, non-injury accident.
- 5:42 pm, Central Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 5:56 pm, Anderson Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 6:03 pm, S 4th St, shoplifting.
- 7:17 pm, Hillsboro, harassment, phone.
- 7:42 pm, Newmark Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 8:20 pm, Schoneman St and Newmark Ave, hit and run.
- 9:29 pm, Ln, warrant service.
- 10:19 pm, California Ave, criminal trespass.
- 10:41 pm, S 10th St, dispute.
- 11:36 pm, S 1st St, disorderly conduct.
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- **August 22**
- 12:45 am, Thompson Rd, accident, pedestrian.
- 8:31 am, Newmark Ave, criminal trespass.
- 10:18 am, S 2nd St, indecent exposure.
- 11:17 am, Norman Ave, threats.
- 12:00 pm, 1st and Johnson, indecent exposure.
- 2:36 pm, California Ave, criminal trespass.
- 3:31 pm, S Main and Salmon, warrant service.
- 3:37 pm, Newport and Harriet, warrant service.
- 5:12 pm, S 1st St, disorderly conduct.
- 6:42 pm, N Cammann St, theft.
- 6:44 pm, S Bayshore Dr, violation of restraining order.
- 6:56 pm, Newmark Ave, shoplifting.
- 7:55 pm, S 4th St, disorderly conduct.
- 8:32 pm, California Ave, criminal trespass.
- 9:09 pm, S 10th St and Kruse, disorderly conduct.
- 9:09 pm, S 10th St, disorderly conduct.
- 9:17 pm, S Wasson St, dispute.
- 10:21 pm, S 2nd St, burglary.
- 11:05 pm, E Johnson Ave, criminal trespass.
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- **August 23**
- 12:57 am, Milligan Ave, threats.
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- **August 24**
- 7:00 am, Elrod Ave, warrant service.
- 8:03 am, S 6th St, criminal trespass.
- 8:35 am, Central Ave, assault, domestic.
- 9:08 am, Thompson Rd, warrant service.
- 10:25 am, E Hall Ave, criminal trespass.
- 10:47 am, S 2nd St, theft.
- 10:59 am, 1st and Johnson, disorderly conduct.
- 1:47 pm, S Wasson St, stalking.
- 1:59 pm, E Hall Ave, criminal trespass.
- 2:53 pm, N 10th St, criminal trespass.
- 2:56 pm, S 2nd St, criminal trespass.
- 3:24 pm, S 2nd St, criminal trespass.
- 4:41 pm, S 4th St, threats.
- 5:03 pm, S Empire Blvd, disorderly conduct.
- 5:31 pm, Ingersoll Ave, dispute, neighbor.
- 6:41 pm, Airport Ln, warrant service.
- 8:05 pm, N 7th Ct, shots fired.
- 10:00 pm, Central Ave, dispute.
- 10:13 pm, California Ave, criminal mischief.
- 11:53 pm, S Broadway St, threats.
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- **August 25**
- 12:30 am, Thompson Rd, criminal trespass.
- 5:52 am, N Marple St, dispute.
- 7:22 am, E Johnson Ave, hit and run.
- 8:54 am, S 8th St, dispute.
- 12:12 pm, S 2nd St, criminal trespass.
- 1:11 pm, S 7th St, criminal trespass.
- 1:22 pm, Newmark Ave, criminal mischief.
- 1:39 pm, Center St, warrant service.
- 2:02 pm, Newmark Ave, shoplifting.
- 3:08 pm, N Morrison St, criminal trespass.
- 4:33 pm, N Broadway St, hit and run.
- 5:05 pm, S 4th St, assault.
- 5:05 pm, Newmark Ave, theft.
- 7:29 pm, N Wall St, criminal trespass.
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- **August 26**
- 5:19 am, Thompson Rd, criminal trespass.
- 7:50 am, Fir and 8th, disorderly conduct.
- 7:51 am, S Marple St, criminal mischief.
- 8:57 am, S 1st St Ter, criminal trespass.
- 9:58 am, Thompson Rd, disorderly conduct.
- 10:53 am, Newmark Ave, criminal trespass.
- 11:42 am, Newmark Ave, shoplifting.
- 12:28 pm, S Broadway St, hit and run.
- 12:57 pm, Mingus Park, disturbance.
- 1:28 pm, Johnson St, threats.
- 3:18 pm, S 4th St, shoplifting.
- 3:40 pm, D St, dispute, neighbor.
- 4:09 pm, Inlet Loop, threats.
- 4:11 pm, S Empire Blvd, disorderly conduct.
- 5:54 pm, Ocean Blvd, disorderly conduct.
- 6:24 pm, S Morrison and Michigan, disturbance.
- 6:31 pm, S 1st St, criminal trespass.
- 6:43 pm, N Bayshore Dr, dispute.
- 9:02 pm, Airport Ln, warrant service.
- 9:36 pm, S Broadway St, accident.
- 10:21 pm, S 4th St, criminal mischief.
- 10:48 pm, Virginia Ave, criminal trespass.
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- August 27
- 2:33 am, End Of Fulton, warrant service.
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- **Coquille**
- **August 20**
- 10:02 am, E Main, accident.
- 10:46 am, N Baxter St, disorderly conduct.
- 6:33 pm, W 18th St, criminal trespass.
- 9:18 pm, 1st and Adams, warrant service.
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- August 21
- 12:57 pm, N Birch and Farmers Market, disorderly conduct.
- 1:19 pm, N Central Blvd, disorderly conduct.
- 2:21 pm, N Elliott, disorderly conduct.
- 3:30 pm, N Central, criminal trespass.
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- August 22
- 9:22 am, S Cedar St, disorderly conduct.
- 2:40 pm, W 17th St, harassment.
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- August 23
- 7:33 am, N Central Blvd, criminal trespass.
- 9:45 am, N Gould St, arrest.
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- August 24
- 9:01 am, Baxter and 3rd, disorderly conduct.
- 9:45 am, N Baxter St, disorderly conduct.
- 12:37 pm, SE 3rd St, dispute.
- 1:31 pm, Hwy 42, disorderly conduct.
- 5:12 pm, E First and N Central, disorderly conduct.
- 6:22 pm, E 1st St, disorderly conduct.
- 8:03 pm, 1st and Adams, disorderly conduct.
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- August 25
- 11:23 am, N Adams, warrant service.
- 5:47 pm, Hwy 42 and Birch, warrant service.
- 6:50 pm, N Baxter St, criminal trespass.
- 7:54 pm, E 3rd St, dispute.
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- **August 26**
- 10:05 am, N Central Blvd, criminal trespass.
- 12:13 pm, 5th St and Elliott St, disorderly conduct.
- 2:18 pm, N Central Blvd, shoplifting.
- 4:39 pm, N Baxter St, assault.
- 6:00 pm, E 1st St, theft.
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- **Myrtle Point**
- **August 20**
- 10:19 am, 8th St, theft.
- 12:17 pm, 8th St, criminal trespass.
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- **August 21**
- 1:47 am, River Rd, criminal mischief.
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- **August 24**
- 12:14 pm, Border St, criminal trespass.
- 3:42 pm, Maple St, criminal mischief.
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- **August 25**
- 6:24 pm, 1st St, dispute.
- August 26
- 12:23 pm, Ash St, burglary.
- 4:05 pm, 4th St, warrant service.
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- **North Bend**
- **August 20**
- 7:33 am, Virginia Ave, criminal mischief.
- 8:23 am, McPherson Ave, theft.
- 8:44 am, Clark St, criminal trespass.
- 10:42 am, Virginia Ave, accident.
- 12:54 pm, Newmark St, theft.
- 1:39 pm, Newmark St, unauthorized use of vehicle.
- 1:51 pm, Sheridan Ave, theft.
- 2:03 pm, Newmark St, theft.
- 5:22 pm, Broadway Ave, disorderly conduct.
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- **August 21**
- 3:48 am, Newmark St, criminal trespass.
- 7:41 am, Stanton and Ohio, arrest.
- 10:05 am, Virginia Ave, unauthorized use of vehicle.
- 12:13 pm, Kinney St, burglary.
- 12:31 pm, Lombard St, harassment.
- 2:47 pm, Monroe Ave, dispute, neighbor.
- 3:04 pm, Harbor Ave, dispute.
- 6:52 pm, Sherman Ave, probation violation.
- 8:15 pm, 11th Ct, juvenile problem.
- 9:49 pm, Virginia Ave, disorderly conduct.
- 10:00 pm, Tremont Ave,

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Area squads listed in top-10 rankings

Several South Coast squads were listed in the preseason coaches rankings for their sports.

In football, Marshfield is ranked seventh in the Class 4A ranks. Defending state champion Cascade got all 16 first-place votes and is ranked No. 1, followed by Henley, which eliminated Marshfield from the playoffs in the semifinals last fall.

Siuslaw is ranked No. 5 in the Class 3A poll, where Burns edged Vale for the top spot even though Vale got more first-place votes (six to four).

In Class 2A, Myrtle Point is sixth and Bandon seventh. Lost River is first and Heppner second, despite Heppner getting eight first-place votes and Lost River four. Last fall, Lost River beat Myrtle Point in the quarterfinals, Bandon in the semifinals and Heppner in the championship game.

In Class 1A six-player football, Powers is ranked fourth. Jordan Valley has the top spot.

In volleyball, Marshfield is sixth in the poll for Class 4A, with defending 4A champion Marist just ahead of defending 3A champion Valley Catholic at the top of the list.

Coquille is 10th in Class 3A and Myrtle Point is 10th in Class 2A. Dayton tops the Class 3A poll and Crosshill Christian tops the list for Class 2A.

In boys cross country, Bandon ranks third in Class 2A-1A behind Union and defending champion Knappa, but all three are close and got first-place votes (six for Knappa, four for Bandon and two for Union). Siuslaw ranks No. 1 in Class 3A and got 12 of the 14 first-place votes.

Bandon's girls rank second behind Union in the first-ever Class 2A-1A poll. This year Class 3A was separated out for the first time in girls cross country.

Siuslaw ranks second behind Oregon Episcopal, which got all but one of the first-place votes, in Class 3A. Coquille is ninth.

In Class 4A, North Bend is eighth. Four different schools got first-place votes and Banks, a newcomer to Class 4A after moving up from Class 3A, got the most with four, but is ranked fourth. Klamath Union is first, followed by Philomath and defending champion La Grande.

In boys soccer, Pacific is ranked 10th in the first Class 2A-1A poll. This is the first season that Class 3A has been separated from Class 2A-1A for boys soccer (they are still combined for girls soccer) and also the first year Pacific has not had students from Bandon on its roster since the combined enrollment of Bandon and Pacific is too large for Class 2A-1A. Bandon students are playing with North Bend this fall.

Grandview Christian Academy ranks first in the poll. Last year only a handful of Class 2A or 1A schools made the playoffs in Class 3A-2A-1A and none reached the quarterfinals. Delphian, which is ranked second, and Crosshill Christian, which is fourth, each won one playoff match last fall.

In girls soccer, North Bend just missed the top 10 in Class 4A, ranking 11th. Defending state champion and Sky-Em champion Marist Catholic is ranked first and got all but two of the first-place votes.

High School Recap: Myrtle Point wins football opener

Myrtle Point's football team opened the season with a dominant win at home Saturday, beating Weston-McEwen 54-6.

The Bobcats, who reached the Class 2A quarterfinals last year, won't have a game this week and next host Knappa on Sept. 11.

SUTHERLIN 29, NORTH BEND 14: Connor Johnson had a pair of touchdown passes, but North Bend fell to Sutherlin in the season opener Friday night.

Johnson connected with Hunter Christensen and Josh Sullivan on the two touchdowns, the latter giving North Bend a 14-6 lead.

But Sutherlin scored the last 23 points, spoiling the debut of new North Bend head coach Ryan Goll, a longtime assistant for the Bulldogs.

North Bend hosts Astoria this Friday, with the game time moved up an hour to 6 p.m.

SIUSLAW 44, COQUILLE 0: The Vikings shut out the visiting Red Devils in the season opener and first game for new Coquille head coach Jake Cochran.

The teams will meet again in a league contest to conclude the regular season in October.

Coquille hosts South Umpqua on Thursday in its home opener. Siuslaw faces Vale at Caldera High School in Bend on Saturday.

POWERS 31, EDDYVILLE 7: The Cruisers won their season opener at home over the Eagles on Friday.

Powers does not have a game this week and next hosts Camas Valley on Sept. 11.

VOLLEYBALL

COQUILLE SWEEPS NB: The Red Devils opened the season with a three-set win at North Bend on Saturday.

Coquille won 25-21, 25-20, 25-23 and next will host both Marshfield and Creswell on Thursday.

North Bend is on the road Tuesday at Newport and Wednesday at Siuslaw.

ELMIRA TOPS BRAVE: Reedsport was swept by host Elmira in its season-opener Saturday, falling 25-13, 25-10, 25-23. The Falcons also beat Siuslaw and the score of Reedsport's match against the Vikings was not available.

Reedsport continues a busy first week with a match at Powers on Monday, a match at Waldport on Wednesday and a home match against Monroe on Thursday.

BOYS SOCCER

EAGLES TOP BULLDOGS: Eagle Point beat North Bend's boys 6-1 in the season opener for North Bend on Saturday.

The Bulldogs are at Creswell on Wednesday.

CROSS COUNTRY

MILLICOMA ICEBREAKER: Coquille's Ella Henthorn won the season-opening 5,000-meter race in Coos Bay on Friday, finishing in 19 minutes and 11 seconds.

Brookings-Harbor's Leila Newman was second (22:22), followed by Coquille's Bryleigh Mead (22:59) and Marshfield's Kendall Qualman (23:17) and Kindall Wyatt (24:04).

Marshfield's Donald Brice won the 5,000-meter boys race in 19:32 and the Pirates had four of the top five finishers. Brice was followed by teammate Ezra Kern (19:40), Gold Beach's Mason Simonson (20:16) and Marshfield's Liam Rasley (20:26) and Maddox Ferrell (20:35).

Bandon's athletes all ran in the 3,000-meter race.

Bandon's Beckett Pahls won the boys race in 9:43, followed by teammates Eli Nicholson (10:06), Noah Brown (10:30) and Max Wales (11:10) and Days Creek's Boe McNeely (11:20). Nicholson previously ran for Myrtle Point.

Bandon's Jael Legutki won the girls race in 11:25, followed by Gold Beach's Coco Plaep (12:52), Bandon's Jada Ryder (13:12) and Addison Stallard (13:58) and Marshfield's Lily Thompson (14:09).

RIVERHAWK TRACK GRAND OPENING: Bandon and North Bend both placed two runners in the top five at Umpqua Community College on Saturday.

Bandon's Beckett Pahls won the 5,000-meter race in 18:16 and teammate Eli Nicholson was second in 18:42.

North Bend's Angelo Pedrini was fourth (19:05) and Raleigh Collier fifth (19:14).

Grants Pass won the title with 29 points while Bandon had 43 and Thurston 80. North Bend did not have a complete team (at least five runners).

Bandon's Jael Legutki won the girls race in 21:54 and North Bend's Addison Horning was second (22:03). North Bend's Lauren Wolfe finished ninth (25:08).

Thurston edged Grants Pass for the team title 31-36 and Bandon was a distant third. North Bend did not field a complete team.

Weekly Sports Schedule

Tuesday, Sept. 1
High School Volleyball
— Marshfield at Sutherlin, 6 p.m.; North Bend at Newport, 6:30 p.m.
High School Boys Soccer
— Phoenix at Marshfield, 6 p.m.
High School Girls Soccer
— Phoenix at Marshfield, 4 p.m

Wednesday, Sept. 2
High School Volleyball
— Umpqua Valley Christian at Myrtle Point, 6 p.m.; North Bend at Siuslaw, 6 p.m.; Reedsport at Waldport, 6 p.m.
High School Boys Soccer — North Bend at Creswell, 4 p.m.
Women's College Soccer
— Portland at SWOCC, 2 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 3
High School Football
— South Umpqua at Coquille, 7 p.m.
High School Volleyball
— Bandon at Brookings-Harbor, 6 p.m.; Creswell at Coquille, 3:30 p.m.; Creswell vs. Marshfield, 5 p.m.; Marshfield at Coquille, 6:30 p.m.; Myrtle Point at Glide, 6 p.m.; Monroe at Reedsport, 6 p.m.
High School Boys Soccer
— Marshfield at Coquille, 4:30 p.m.
High School Girls Soccer
— Marshfield at Coquille, 2:30 p.m.; North Bend at Brookings-Harbor, 4 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 4
High School Football — Astoria at North Bend, 6 p.m.; Waldport at Bandon, 7 p.m.; Philomath at Marshfield, 7 p.m.; Glendale at Reedsport, 7 p.m.
Men's College Soccer
— SWOCC at Portland, 2:15 p.m.
College Cross Country
— SWOCC at Linfield.

Saturday, Sept. 5
High School Cross Country
— Reedsport, Bandon at Fugate Farms Invitational, Bandon, noon; Marshfield at Ultimook Race, Tillamook, 10 a.m.; North Bend at Marist Invitational, Eugene, 9 a.m.
College Volleyball — SWOCC at College of the Redwoods, 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.
Women's College Soccer
— SWOCC at Klamath, noon.

Tuesday, Sept. 8
High School Volleyball
— Elkton at Bandon, 6 p.m.; Siuslaw at Coquille, 6 p.m.; South Umpqua at Marshfield, 6:30 p.m.; Glendale at Myrtle Point, 6 p.m.; Powers at North Douglas, 6 p.m.
High School Boys Soccer
— Newport at North Bend, 5 p.m.
High School Girls Soccer
— Newport at North Bend, 3 p.m.

Fall Sports Schedule

South Coast Sports Schedules
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BANDON
Football
Sept. 4 vs. Waldport
Sept. 11 vs. Toledo
Sept. 18 @ Bonanza
Sept. 25 @ St. Mary's
*Oct. 2 @ Oakland
*Oct. 9 vs. Glide
*Oct. 16 vs. Illinois Valley
*Oct. 23 @ Myrtle Point
*Oct. 30 vs. Gold Beach

Volleyball
Sept. 3 @ Brookings-Harbor
Sept. 8 vs. Elkton
Sept. 9 @ Days Creek
Sept. 11 vs. Toledo
Sept. 14 @ Powers
*Sept. 17 @ Oakland
Sept. 19 Brookings-Harbor tourney
*Sept. 22 vs. North Douglas
*Sept. 24 vs. Reedsport
*Sept. 29 @ Myrtle Point
*Oct. 1 vs. Gold Beach
*Oct. 6 vs. Oakland
*Oct. 8 @ North Douglas
*Oct. 13 @ Reedsport
*Oct. 15 vs. Myrtle Point
*Oct. 20 @ Gold Beach
Cross Country
Sept. 5 Fugate Farms Invitational (Bandon)
Sept. 9 Umpqua Opener (Roseburg)
Sept. 19 Prefontaine Memorial Run
Sept. 25 Champs Invite (Lebanon)
Oct. 3 Flight 7 (Elmira)
Oct. 9 Rose City Championship Invite (Portland)
Oct. 16 Meriwether Cross Country Classic (Portland)
Oct. 21 Umpqua Invite (Roseburg)
Oct. 29 District meet TBA
Nov. 7 State Championships (Eugene)

COQUILLE
Football
Sept. 3 vs. South Umpqua
Sept. 11 vs. Philomath
Sept. 19 @ Creswell
Sept. 25 vs. Madras (at Sweet Home)
*Oct. 2 @ Sutherlin
*Oct. 9 @ Douglas
*Oct. 16 vs. Brookings-Harbor
Oct. 23 Open Date
*Oct. 30 vs. Siuslaw
Volleyball
Sept. 3 vs. Creswell
Sept. 3 vs. Marshfield
*Sept. 8 vs. Siuslaw
*Sept. 10 vs. Illinois Valley
*Sept. 15 @ Brookings-Harbor
*Sept. 17 vs. Glide
*Sept. 22 @ Douglas
*Sept. 24 vs. St. Mary's
Sept. 24 vs. Santiam Christian
*Sept. 29 vs. Sutherlin
*Oct. 1 @ Siuslaw
Oct. 3 Santiam Christian tournament
*Oct. 6 @ Illinois Valley
*Oct. 8 vs. Brookings-Harbor
*Oct. 13 @ Glide
*Oct. 15 vs. Douglas
Oct. 17 Marshfield tournament
*Oct. 20 @ St. Mary's
*Oct. 22 @ Sutherlin
Boys Soccer (with Myrtle Point)
Sept. 3 vs. Marshfield
*Sept. 8 vs. Siuslaw
*Sept. 10 vs. Illinois Valley
*Sept. 15 @ Brookings-Harbor
*Sept. 17 vs. Lost River
*Sept. 22 @ Douglas
*Sept. 24 vs. St. Mary's
*Sept. 29 vs. Sutherlin
*Oct. 1 @ Siuslaw
*Oct. 3 @ Sutherlin
*Oct. 6 @ Illinois Valley
*Oct. 8 vs. Brookings-Harbor
*Oct. 12 @ Lost River (at Rogue River)
*Oct. 15 vs. Douglas
*Oct. 20 @ St. Mary's
Girls Soccer (with Myrtle Point)
Sept. 3 vs. Marshfield
Sept. 8 vs. South Umpqua
Sept. 10 @ Sheridan
Sept. 15 @ Santiam Christian
*Sept. 17 vs. Lost River (location TBA)
*Sept. 22 @ Dougla
*Sept. 24 vs. St. Mary's
*Sept. 29 @ Sutherlin
*Oct. 1 @ Illinois Valley
*Oct. 6 vs. Siuslaw
*Oct. 8 @ Lakeview (location TBA)
*Oct. 13 vs. Rogue River
*Oct. 15 @ Glide
*Oct. 22 vs. Brookings-Harbor
Cross Country
Sept. 9 Umpqua Opener (Roseburg)
Sept. 19 Prefontaine Memorial Run
Sept. 25 Champs Invite (Lebanon)
Sept. 26 Woahink Lake Invitational (Florence)
Oct. 3 Stan Goodell Invite (Grants Pass)
Oct. 17 Cottage Grove Bramble Scramble
Oct. 21 Umpqua Invite (Roseburg)
Oct. 29 District meet (TBA)
Nov. 7 State championships (Eugene)

MARSHFIELD
Football
Sept. 4 vs. Philomath
Sept. 11 @ Eureka (Calif.)
*Sept. 18 vs. South Umpqua
*Sept. 25 @ Junction City
*Oct. 2 vs. Marist Catholic
*Oct. 9 @ Sweet Home
Oct. 16 vs. Henley
*Oct. 23 vs. Cottage Grove
*Oct. 30 @ North Bend
Volleyball
Sept. 1 @ Sutherlin
Sept. 3 vs. Creswell (at Coquille)
Sept. 3 @ Coquille
*Sept. 8 vs. South Umpqua
*Sept. 10 @ Cottage Grove
*Sept. 15 vs. Junction City
*Sept. 17 @ Marist Catholic
*Sept. 22 @ Elmira
*Sept. 29 vs. North Bend
*Oct. 1 @ South Umpqua
*Oct. 6 vs. Cottage Grove
*Oct. 13 vs. Marist Catholic
*Oct. 15 vs. Elmira
Oct. 17 Marshfield tournament
*Oct. 22 @ North Bend
Boys Soccer
Sept. 1 vs. Phoenix
Sept. 3 @ Coquille
*Sept. 10 vs. South Umpqua
*Sept. 15 @ Cottage Grove
*Sept. 17 vs. Junction City
*Sept. 21 @ Marist Catholic
*Sept. 24 @ Elmira
*Oct. 1 vs. North Bend
*Oct. 6 @ South Umpqua
*Oct. 8 vs. Cottage Grove
*Oct. 13 @ Junction City
*Oct. 15 vs. Marist Catholic
*Oct. 20 vs. Elmira
*Oct. 27 @ North Bend
Girls Soccer
Sept. 1 vs. Phoenix
Sept. 3 @ Coquille
*Sept. 10 vs. South Umpqua
*Sept. 15 @ Cottage Grove
*Sept. 17 vs. Junction City
*Sept. 21 @ Marist Catholic
*Sept. 24 @ Elmira
*Oct. 1 vs. North Bend
*Oct. 6 @ South Umpqua
*Oct. 8 vs. Cottage Grove
*Oct. 13 @ Junction City
*Oct. 15 vs. Marist Catholic
*Oct. 20 vs. Elmira
*Oct. 27 @ North Bend
Cross Country
Sept. 5 Ultimook Race (Tillamook)
Sept. 9 Umpqua Opener
Sept. 19 Prefontaine Memorial Run
Sept. 26 Woahink Lake Invitational (Florence)
Oct. 1 This Run's for Maynard (Glide)
Oct. 10 Paul Mariman Invitational (Philomath)
Oct. 19 Crater Twilight Invite (Central Point)
Oct. 29 Sky-Em Championships (Eugene)
Nov. 7 State championships (Eugene)

Lilienthal fastest around the bay

Aiden Lilienthal won the annual Circle the Bay road run, held recently.

Lilienthal, from Myrtle Point, covered the 30-kilometer (18.6-mile) course in 2 hours, 4 minutes and 1 second. He finished a little over 14 minutes ahead of the second individual to cross the line and first female runner, Anika Miller of Bandon, who finished in 2:18:07. Ryan Zubieta was third (2:32:06) and Nathan Kahler fourth (2:34:52). Rebecca Dyson was second among women (2:48:01) and Stacie Truitt third (2:57:42).

The first runner to cross the finish line was part of the winning three-person relay team, which included current high school students Raleigh Collier and Angelo Pedrini of North Bend and Ella Henthorn of Coquille. The team, titled A.R.E. We There Yet?, was timed in 1:49:08.

Second place went to three former South Coast high school standouts, Bodey Lutes and Jaxson Stovall, who graduated from Marshfield, and Henry Hood, who graduated from North Bend, who finished in 1:51:29. Third place was I Hope Henry Trips, which included Lexie Jones-Ortega, Ben Zuschlag and Jordan Osborne. The trio finished in 2:10:43.

The top all-female team was Chafing the Dream, which included Gracious Keller, Megan Trimmell and Jessica Krull. They finished in 2:53:21.

Two walkers also completed the 30-kilometer course, Sandra Merritt (4:36:53) and Richard Gearhart (4:38:18).

Circle the Bay Results

30 Kilometer Individual: 1. Aidan Lilienthal, 2:04:01; 2. Anika Miller, 2:18:07; 3. Ryan Zubieta, 2:32:06; 4. Nathan Kaher, 2:34:52; 5. Jerry Roberts, 2:36:50; 6. Rebecca Dyson, 2:48:01; 7. Charlie Dyson, 2:52:44; 8. Luke Rector, 2:55:31; 9. Stacie Truitt, 2:57:42; 10. Hayley Hyatt, 3:00:56; 11. Shelby Osborn, 3:01:21; 12. Crystal Ramirez-Garcia, 3:04:22; 13. Brian Kennedy, 3:08:57; 14. Robin Loznak, 3:09:13; 15. Bill Dietz, 3:09:26; 16. Bryce Record, 3:21:00; 17. Calliope Miller, 3:21:34; 18. Paige Stump, 3:23:06; 19. Kaitlyn Hanley, 3:24:22; 20. Dave Ancora, 4:03:46; 21. Rachelle Maxon, 4:18:55; 22. Patricia Harrington, 5:02:05.

30 Kilometer Walk: 1. Sandra Merritt, 4:36:53; 2. Richard Gearhart, 4:38:18.

30 Kilometer Relay: 1. A.R.E. We There Yet (Raleigh Collier, Ella Henthorn, Angelo Pedrini), 1:49:08; 2. Dirty Pumpkins (Bodey Lutes, Jaxson Stovall, Henry Hood), 1:51:29; 3. I Hope Henry Trips (Lexie Jones-Ortega, Ben Zuschlag, Jordan Osborne), 2:10:43; 4. Dad Said it Would be Fun (George Cheal, Finley Cheal, Lawrence Cheal), 2:36:28; 5. Chafing the Dream (Gracious Keller, Megan Trimmell, Jessica Krull), 2:53:21; 6. 6 Legged Unicorn (Chris Riehl, Maggie Shaughnessy, Ashley Merz), 2:54:22; 7. Sea Legs (Zoe Thomas, Toni Kengor, Rebecca Baird), 2:58:37; 8. The Joggernots (Nao Yang, Joe Ballard, Kris Ballard), 3:05:25; 9. Pickle Power (Nora Rector, Kylie Hickman, Luke Rector), 3:09:20; 10. The Tortoise Trio (Juliana Ruble, Deborah Rudd, Veronica Grave), 3:18:10.

Fall Sports Schedule for Myrtle Point, North Bend, Pacific and Reedsport will be published next week with the rest of the prep and area college sports.

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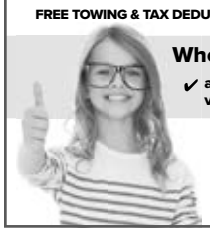
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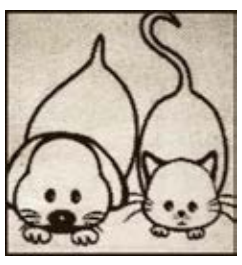
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS In the Matter of the Estate of NELLIE LOUISE WALKER, Deceased. Case No. 26PB06889 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that LOUETTA M. JANSEN has been appointed as Personal 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 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 published: September 1, 2026. 9/1/2026 World 430288

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS In the Matter of the Estate of: SHIRLEY ANNE LAYMAN, Deceased. Case No. 26PB05017 INFORMATION TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that CRAIG LAYMAN has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate of SHIRLEY ANNE LAYMAN are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the personal representative at 152 Encinal Dr. Red Bluff, CA 96080, or through her attorney, Nathan B. McClintock, at PO Box 1178, Coos Bay, OR 97420, or in person at 936 Central Avenue, Coos Bay, Oregon, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative, or the lawyer for the personal representative, Nathan B. McClintock. Dated and first published on September 1, 2026. /s/ Nathan B. McClintock, OSB #841520 Attorney for Personal Representative Personal Representative: Craig Layman 152 Encinal Dr. Red Bluff, CA 96080 Telephone: (530) 691-9264 Email: mystereza@hotmail.com Lawyer for Personal Representative: Nathan B. McClintock, OSB #841520 Corrigall & McClintock P.O. Box 1178 Coos Bay, OR 97420 Telephone: (541) 269-1123 Fax: (541) 269-1126 Email: nmcclintock@epuerto.com 9/1/2026 World 430234

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

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS PROBATE DEPARTMENT In the Matter of the Estate of Ronald Ernest Brown, Deceased. Case No. 26PB06915 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned personal representative at the below address, 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 lawyers for the personal representative. Dated and first published on September 1, 2026. Maranda Mystine Gibbons Personal Representative Attorney for Personal Representative: Beth J. Zilbert; OSB No. 882333 Kell, Alterman & Runstein, L.L.P. 520 SW Yamhill Street, Suite 600 Portland, OR 97204 Telephone: 503-222-3531 Facsimile: 503-227-2980 Email: bzilbert@kelrun.com 9/1/2026 World 430311

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

INVITATION TO BID: Abandoned property of Mary Blaylock and All Others. For Sale, a 1977 PACIFICA, Serial #SB0371A & #SB0371B, Home ID #209030. The mobile home is located at 507 Puerto Vista Drive #25, Coos Bay, OR 97420, in Puerto Vista MHC. This will be a private sale with a minimum bid of $95,000. Bids accepted until September 15, 2026. Send/submit bids to 18150 SW Boones Ferry Road, Portland, OR 97224, Attn: Amber. Please call Mike at: 541-888-6411 for an appointment to see home. 9/1, 9/8/2026 World 430202

INVITATION TO BID: Abandoned property of The Estate of Sharon Lewis and All Others. For Sale, a 1994 FLEETWOOD, Serial #ORFLR48A19846CP, Home ID #273531. The mobile home is located at 519 Puerto Vista Drive #37, Coos Bay, OR 97420, in Puerto Vista MHC. This will be a private sale with a minimum bid of $50,000. Bids accepted until September 15, 2026. Send/submit bids to 18150 SW Boones Ferry Road, Portland, OR 97224, Attn: Amber. Please call Mike at: 541-888-6411 for an appointment to see home. 9/1, 9/8/2026 World 430203

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 September 10, 2026. 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 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: Tobey Denn Contents of Storage Unit #56 $1,403.48 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 appointment only on September 9, 2026, 9:00am-11:00am and 2:00pm-4:00pm. Please call the Charleston Marina at 541-888-2548 to schedule an appointment. 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 8/25 & 9/1/2026 World 429984

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - PROPOSED STREET VACATION CASE NO. 627-25-000022-PLNG The City of North Bend Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, September 21, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber, 835 California Avenue, North Bend, Oregon, to consider the proposed vacation of a portion of California Avenue described as follows: The southern 40 feet of California Avenue adjacent to Lot 35 in Block 3 of the Plat of Spokane Addition to the City of North Bend, Oregon, extending from the east margin of Broadway Avenue to the west margin of a prolongation of the north-south alley in Block 3. The Planning Commission shall make a recommendation to the City Council on this matter. The City Council shall take final action. Applicant & Owner: David W. Weller Property Address: 1905 Broadway Avenue, North Bend, Oregon, Assessor Map No. 25S 13W 15BB, Tax Lot 200 Date of Application: October 27, 2025 Date Application Deemed Complete: July 30, 2026 (date all required materials and consent signatures, was received.) Written comments and objections may be submitted in writing prior to or at the hearing. Further information may be obtained by contacting Palak Pandey, City Planner, at (541) 756-8535 or ppandey@northbendoregon.gov. 9/1/2026 World 430171

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE On OCTOBER 5TH, 2026, at the hour of 10:00am at the front door of the Coos County Sheriff's Office, 250 N. Baxter St; Coquille, the defendant's interest will be sold, subject to redemption, in the real property commonly known as: 2123 26th Street, Coos Bay, OR 97420. The court case number is 25CV58790, where VILLAGE CAPITAL & INVESTMENT LLC is plaintiff, and UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF MELVIN J. SLAY, a deceased individual; MELISSA GILMORE; MELINDA WALKER; and ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE, LIEN OR INTEREST IN THE REAL PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS 2123 26TH STREET, COOS BAY, OR 97420 is defendant. The sale is a public auction to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check, in hand, made out to Coos County Sheriff's Office. For more information on this sale go to: http://oregonsheriffssales.org/ 9/1, 9/8, 9/15, 9/22/2026 World 430019

PUBLIC NOTICE EXPIRATION OF THE TWO-YEAR REDEMPTION PERIOD Pursuant to ORS 312.190, notice is hereby given that on the 1st day of October, 2024, a General Judgment of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, in and for the County of Coos, was entered in Case No. 24CV42055, granting Coos County Judgment for the delinquent taxes and interest due on several parcels of real property, requiring that the several liens of such taxes be foreclosed, ordering the subject properties to be sold by the County Tax Collector directly to Coos County for the respective amounts of taxes and interest for which the subject properties were severally liable, and ordering the subject properties to be held by the Tax Collector for a period of two years from and after the date of Judgment of Foreclosure, subject to redemption ("redemption period"). The redemption period will expire on the 1st day of October, 2026. Immediately upon expiration of the redemption period, all properties ordered sold under the Judgment will be deeded to Coos County and every right and interest of any person in the properties will be forfeited forever to Coos County. Dated at Coquille, Oregon, this 1st day of August, 2026. MEGAN SIMMS, TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR BY: LOGAN WADDINGTON, TAX ACCOUNTANT 9/1 & 9/8/2026 World 429644

TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE T.S. No.: OR-26-1050130-BF Reference is made to that certain deed made by, ABDUL-GHAFUR FAIZ as Grantor to TICOR TITLE, as trustee, in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS DESIGNATED NOMINEE FOR DIRECTORS MORTGAGE, INC., BENEFICIARY OF THE SECURITY INSTRUMENT, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, dated 7/16/2024, recorded 7/30/2024, in official records of COOS County, Oregon in book/reel/volume No. and/or as fee/file/instrument/microfilm/reception number 2024-04973 and subsequently assigned or transferred by operation of law to PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC covering the following described real property situated in said County, and State. APN: 5732401 25S1322-AA-02100 THE SOUTH 80 FEET OF LOT 1 AND ALL OF LOTS 2, BLOCK 52, FLANAGAN'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF NORTH BEND, COOS COUNTY, OREGON. Commonly known as: 510 Clark St, North Bend, OR 97459 The undersigned hereby certifies that based upon business records there are no known written assignments of the trust deed by the trustee or by the beneficiary, except as recorded in the records of the county or counties in which the above described real property is situated. Further, no action has been instituted to recover the debt, or any part thereof, now remaining secured by the trust deed, or, if such action has been instituted, such action has been dismissed except as permitted by ORS 86.752(7). Both the beneficiary and the trustee have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said trust deed and notice has been recorded pursuant to Section 86.752(3) of Oregon Revised Statutes. There is a default by grantor or other person owing an obligation, performance of which is secured by the trust deed, or by the successor in interest, with respect to provisions therein which authorize sale in the event of such provision. The default for which foreclosure is made is grantor's failure to pay when due the following sum: TOTAL REQUIRED TO REINSTATE: $27,887.55 TOTAL REQUIRED TO PAYOFF: $313,439.85 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges

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that may vary from day-to-day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. It will be necessary for you to contact the Trustee before the time you tender reinstatement or the payoff amount so that you may be advised of the exact amount you will be required to pay. By reason of the default, the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by the trust deed immediately due and payable, those sums being the following, to- wit: The installments of principal and interest which became due on 9/1/2025, and all subsequent installments of principal and interest through the date of this Notice, plus amounts that are due for late charges, delinquent property taxes, insurance premiums, advances made on senior liens, taxes and/or insurance, trustee's fees, and any attorney fees and court costs arising from or associated with the beneficiaries efforts to protect and preserve its security, all of which must be paid as a condition of reinstatement, including all sums that shall accrue through reinstatement or pay-off. Nothing in this notice shall be construed as a waiver of any fees owing to the Beneficiary under the Deed of Trust pursuant to the terms of the loan documents. Whereof, notice hereby is given that QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION, the undersigned trustee will on 12/9/2026 at the hour of 10:00AM, Standard of Time, as established by section 187.110, Oregon Revised Statues, Inside the main lobby of the Coos County Courthouse, 250 N Baxter St, Coquille, OR 97423 County of COOS, State of Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the said described real property which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time of the execution by him of the said trust deed, together with any interest which the grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said trust deed, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in Section 86.778 of Oregon Revised Statutes has the right to have the foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the trust deed reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of said principal as would not then be due had no default occurred), together with the costs, trustee's and attorney's fees and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the obligation or trust deed, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for sale. Other than as shown of record, neither the beneficiary nor the trustee has any actual notice of any person having or claiming to have any lien upon or interest in the real property hereinabove described subsequent to the interest of the trustee in the trust deed, or of any successor in interest to grantor or of any lessee or other person in possession of or occupying the property, except: Name and Last Known Address and Nature of Right, Lien or Interest Abdul-Ghafur Faiz 510 Clark St North Bend, OR 97459 Original Borrower For Sale Information Call: 800-758-8052 or Login to: https://www.xome.com In construing this notice, the singular includes the plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to this grantor as well as any other person owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by the trust deed, and the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Pursuant to Oregon Law, this sale will not be deemed final until the Trustee's deed has been issued by QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION. If any irregularities are discovered within 10 days of the date of this sale, the trustee will rescind the sale, return the buyer's money and take further action as necessary. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. NOTICE TO TENANTS: TENANTS OF THE SUBJECT REAL PROPERTY HAVE CERTAIN PROTECTIONS AFFORDED TO THEM UNDER ORS 86.782 AND POSSIBLY UNDER FEDERAL LAW. ATTACHED TO THIS NOTICE OF SALE, AND INCORPORATED HEREIN, IS A NOTICE TO TENANTS THAT SETS FORTH SOME OF THE PROTECTIONS THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO A TENANT OF THE SUBJECT REAL PROPERTY AND WHICH SETS FORTH CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS THAT MUST BE COMPLIED WITH BY ANY TENANT IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THE AFFORDED PROTECTION, AS REQUIRED UNDER ORS 86.771. TS No: OR-26-1050130-BF Dated: 7/27/2026 Quality Loan Service Corporation, as Trustee Signature By: Daniel Lazos, Assistant Secretary Trustee's Mailing Address: QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION 108 1 st Ave South, Suite 450, Seattle, WA 98104 Toll Free: (866) 925-0241 Trustee's Physical Address: Quality Loan Service Corporation 2763 Camino Del Rio South San Diego, CA 92108 Toll Free: (866) 925-0241 IDSPub #0316285 9/1, 9/8, 9/15, & 9/22/2026 World 429461

U-Haul Announces Public Sale Storage units of mostly household goods, to satisfy delinquent accounts on the following: 07 Lacey Greig 01 Jamie Potter 13 Amanda Cotton 17 Sage Collman The auction is set to conclude at 10am on 9/11/26 at 763 S Broadway Coos Bay, OR 97420 with the auction being conducted on www.storageauctions.com. Each unit will be auctioned as a whole (not pieced out) to the highest bidder. Any and all units are subject to cancellation from this sale pending payments. 8/28, 9/1/2026 World 430032

Volunteers needed for 2nd Saturday Cleanup Project for SWOCC campus trails

Come spend a couple of hours with Oregon Bay Area Beautification (OBAB), and Southwestern Oregon Community College (SWOCC) to help beautify the trails on the campus. The 2nd Saturday cleanup will be on Saturday, September 12, 2026.

Volunteers will meet at the main entrance at SWOCC Parking Lot #2 behind Tioga Hall, N College Way, Coos Bay. The clean up effort is from 10am-12pm, with sign-ins starting at 9:45am. Clean up focus will be invasive plant removal of Scotch Broom and English Ivy, as well as litter removal. Please dress appropriately for working outdoors. Bring, work gloves, cutting tools for invasives, trash grabbers if you have them, water, and sunscreen. Trash bags and the disposal will be taken care of.

This is a kids and family friendly event. Youth under 18 need to have a release form signed by parent/guardian. Kids 14 and under will need adult supervision. Contact OBAB for details.

Join OBAB for Community Cleanups every 2nd Saturday starting from January-October 2026. Visit 4obab.org to see the full schedule and updates. Look for OBAB on Facebook and Instagram. Email volunteer@4obab.org for more info.

Oregon Bay Area Beautification (OBAB) is a registered and approved 501 (c) (3) organization.



OBAB will hold their 2nd Saturday cleanup on September 12 at SWOCC to do invasive plant removal and litter pickup.

Oregon gubernatorial candidates trade campaign ads, jabs as November election nears

SHAANTH NANGUNERI
Oregon Capital Chronicle

Oregon Gov. Tina Kotek and state Sen. Christine Drazan, R-Canby, are escalating their attacks on one another as the governor's race nears election day. Julia Shumway and Laura Tesler / Oregon Capital Chronicle

As analysts predict that Oregon's 2026 gubernatorial election cycle is becoming more competitive, some of the fiercest barbs the candidates have exchanged are taking place not on the debate stage, but instead on Oregonians' screens.

On one side, incumbent Democratic Gov. Tina Kotek, backed by an increasingly vocal Democratic party apparatus, seeks to tie her two-time challenger's record to the Trump administration. Kotek's campaign has launched two ads: one criticizing the federal government's cuts to federal food benefits and another slamming state Sen. Christine Drazan for introducing a bill to effectively end mail voting.

"Being a governor right now means protecting our state, defending our values against an overreach of a federal administration that does not care about people fundamentally and so that is a big part of my job right now," Kotek told KOIN in a recent televised interview. "Senator Drazan has said nothing about President Trump and his policies, whether it's abusive immigration enforcement to tariffs to his cuts around healthcare."

Drazan, a Republican from Canby who lost to Kotek by nearly 4 percentage points in 2022, is making a push to convince Oregonians that she is able to offer an alternative to what her party has long described as failed leadership on issues such as economy and education. Her team has accused Kotek of spreading falsehoods about her positions, pointed to polling suggesting the race is competitive and launched two television ads slamming Kotek's leadership.

"Tina Kotek is lying about Christine's record because she can't defend her own. From driving up costs for families, record homelessness, failing schools and businesses leaving our state, Oregonians are fed up with Tina Kotek's failures and excuses," Drazan campaign manager Trey Rosser said in a statement. "Oregonians expect results and Christine Drazan will deliver them when they elect her as governor in November."

The dueling approaches are playing out across television waves and the internet. Both candidates have declined opportunities to debate one another, meaning Oregonians could have fewer chances to see Drazan clarify the extent to which her positions align with the Trump administration and Kotek defend the state's performance on issues such as housing, education and economics. So far, both campaigns have agreed to debates

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Tacoma.

Patterson said the county still doesn't have a DEQ permit to destroy evidence in the incinerator.

"That portion of the permit still has to be done," he said. "But once it's up and running, then I will go ahead and reapply … it's a lot more money to get it to that point of burning evidence."

He said the current permit costs the county about $700 a year. But the state's permit for using the incinerator to destroy evidence could cost the county $3,500-$4,500 per year, depending on the materials and tonnage destroyed.

But when the county achieves that, the incinerator should provide a revenue stream.

"We will probably be the only one in the state of Oregon … that'll be burning evidence," he said.

Once the incinerator has burned through its cycle, Patterson said, "the only thing I will have to do is … to transport the ash to the county dump.

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had fallen to about 16.5 percent.

Straus did not spend substantial amounts of his money and time to impress people. His commitment and involvement began before the modern federal income tax and charitable deduction existed, so those tax benefits could not have motivated his campaign. There were no such things as image consultants then, so he didn't do it to enhance his PR profile.

He did simply because he wanted to help as many moms and dads avoid the heartache he'd experienced when Sara died.

Straus' generosity wasn't limited to safe milk for children. He opened homeless shelters during the economically devastating Panic of 1893 (when he also had his milk station sell coal at affordable prices so the poor could heat their homes in winter). He gave large amounts to the New York Public Library, supporting programs that encouraged young readers. He even sold penny meals during another economic downturn in 1914-15, serving 1,135,731 of them to folks who otherwise would have gone hungry.

Nathan Straus was a very rich and very beloved man when he passed away in January 1931 at age 82. And somewhere, little Sara was probably proud of all her papa had done to protect so many other little ones just like her.

ABOUT THE WRITER

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

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criminal trespass.

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- **August 22**
- 10:22 am, Virginia Ave, dispute.
- 10:45 am, Commercial St, harassment.
- 1:02 pm, Sheridan Ave, criminal trespass.
- 3:23 pm, Tremont Ave, robbery.
- 5:25 pm, Newmark St, disorderly conduct.
- 5:43 pm, Across From Community Cent, criminal mischief.
- 6:01 pm, Virginia, dispute.
- 8:49 pm, Everett, shots fired.
- 9:54 pm, Monroe St, criminal trespass.
- 11:08 pm, Harbor Ave, dispute.
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- **August 23**
- 7:30 am, Mcpherson and Virginia, warrant service.
- 9:57 am, Tremont Ave, burglary.
- 10:06 am, Virginia Ave, criminal trespass.
- 1:14 pm, Marion Ave, dispute.
- 3:35 pm, State St, harassment, phone.
- 5:32 pm, California Ave, threats.
- 8:47 pm, Newmark and Broadway, warrant service.
- 11:28 pm, Tremont Ave, criminal trespass.
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- **August 24**
- 1:06 am, Tremont Ave, criminal trespass.
- 12:13 pm, Virginia Ave, non-injury accident.
- 4:34 pm, Monroe Ave, threats.
- 5:14 pm, Sherman Ave, criminal trespass.
- 6:21 pm, Virginia Ave, dispute.
- 6:56 pm, Mcpherson, warrant service.
- 7:17 pm, Spruce St, harassment.
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- **August 25**
- 8:34 am, Tremont Ave, non-injury accident.
- 9:10 am, Maine Ave, assault.
- 9:12 am, Exchange St, hit and run.
- 11:01 am, Virginia Ave, hit and run.
- 12:28 pm, California St, disorderly conduct.
- 12:30 pm, Sheridan Ave, harassment.
- 12:37 pm, California Ave, warrant service.
- 1:14 pm, Spruce St, harassment.
- 1:15 pm, Spruce St, harassment.
- 6:44 pm, Virginia Ave, criminal trespass.
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- **August 26**
- 10:13 am, Virginia Ave, criminal trespass.
- 10:13 am, 16th St, criminal trespass.
- 11:23 am, Broadway Ave, non-injury accident.
- 11:28 am, Virginia Ave, theft.
- 12:11 pm, 12th St, criminal trespass.
- 12:23 pm, Virginia Ave, criminal trespass.
- 2:31 pm, California Ave, dispute, neighbor.
- 3:44 pm, Sheridan Ave, theft.
- 5:18 pm, Sherman Ave, theft of bike.
- 6:20 pm, Oak St, criminal mischief.
- 6:31 pm, Madrona Ct and Madrona St, dispute.
- 8:02 pm, Madrona Ct, dispute.
- 9:50 pm, Madrona St and California Ave, shots fired.
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- **Reedsport**
- **August 20**
- 1:53 am, Frontage Rd, domestic disturbance.

AREA NEWS

Oregon State Sheriff's Association cuts ties with embattled Sheriff Ward

Staff Report

Amidst the accusations of financial misconduct at the Curry County Sheriff's office, the Oregon State Sheriff's Association (OSSA) has chosen to cut ties with embattled Sheriff John Ward. Ward, who previously served as a Director on the OSSA Board, was banned from further involvement with the body through a unanimous vote by 28 Oregon sheriffs.

The results of Curry County's investigation surfaced last month after they determined that undisclosed funds donated to the department by the John G. Adkins Foundation had been used by Ward and his predecessor, Sheriff John Bishop, for unreported personal purchases.

The report combed financial record from the foundation to find $390,000 had been donated to the sheriff's office but not reported to the County, who oversees the departments expenditures.

While Ward has insisted all purchases were made on the up-and-up, he would not appear to address the OSSA Board after they notified him that he would be on the agenda for discussion at the special meeting on August 24.



Curry County Sheriff John Ward.

"A few weeks ago, the Oregon State Sheriffs' Association (OSSA) learned that the Curry County Board of Commissioners had completed an investigation into misconduct by Sheriff John Ward, regarding donations from a local non-profit organization (John G. Atkins Foundation). The investigation concluded that Sheriff Ward had been untruthful and had in fact taken Foundation donations for his own personal use," stated official communication from the OSSA. "On August 24, 2026, the Board met and considered the issue. A motion was made to permanently expel Sheriff Ward from serving as an OSSA Director."

Ward joins Bishop as the second Curry County sheriff to face disciplinary action from the OSSA Board. Back in 2019, Bishop pled guilty to first-degree theft after it was revealed he had embezzled over $13,000 from the organization. He would receive a court order to pay the full amount in restitution, as well as serve two years of probation with community service.

The Curry County Sheriffs Office has yet to make an official comment on the accusations or Sheriff Ward's future, though local lawmakers have called for his resignation, including State Representative for the district, Court Boice.

Corgis Gone Rogue returns for annual fundraiser

This year's Corgis Gone Rogue event will be a fundraiser for David's Chair. The mobility track chair, which grants the gift of independence to people with mobility challenges, will split proceeds Curry County Communities Active in Disaster (COAD), a collaborative network of organizations, businesses, and local government entities working together to enhance community resilience and response in times of disaster. The Gold Beach Visitor Center has two David's Chairs available for use on the beach.

The 3rd Annual Corgis Gone Rogue Beach Luau will be held on Saturday, September 12, 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM at Turtle Rock RV Resort in Gold Beach. There will be corgi races, costume contests, and new this year, DJ Deb will host a Corgi-oke! We will also have a red-carpet event "Don't Run Away Runway" for Corgis and Corgi Cousins (other well-mannered dog breeds) where all can strut their stuff.

Hawaiian-theme costumes are encouraged this year, and everyone will receive a lei! Jerry's Rogue Jets will be hosting a Bay Cruise for Corgis, corgi cousins, and their well-behaved humans at 3:30 after the event.

Call Jerry's to reserve your spot 541-247-4571. A suggested minimum $25 donation for the Bay Cruise will support the Gold Beach Youth Fund.



Oregon Secretary of State: Mail elections to continue as planned despite court setback

By Julia Shumway
Oregon Capital Chronicle

ll Oregon voters will receive ballots by mail and should plan to return them by mail or an official dropbox despite a legal setback for states suing to block the Trump administration's efforts to restrict mail voting, Secretary of State Tobias Read said Tuesday.

Read, a Democrat elected in 2024, directed county clerks and other local election officials to continue following all Oregon election laws and established deadlines for issuing ballots. Election officials must mail ballots to military and overseas voters by Sept. 19 and to all other voters beginning Oct. 14.

"The purpose of this directive is to provide certainty to local elections officials and to voters alike: Our elections will go forward as they normally do," Read said at a press conference at the state Capitol Tuesday afternoon.

President Donald Trump, who has partially blamed mail voting for the 2020 election loss he has refused for years to accept, issued a March executive order instructing the U.S. Postal Service to collect voters' names and addresses from state elections officials and only send ballots to voters on those lists. His order also instructed the U.S. Justice Department to investigate and prosecute state officials who violate the order.

States, not the federal government, are responsible for administering elections.

Oregon, 22 other states and Washington, D.C., promptly sued to block the order and won an injunction blocking it from taking effect.



Oregon Secretary of State Tobias Read speaks to reporters in the state capitol in Salem on Tuesday, Aug. 25, 2026. (Photo by Julia Shumway/Oregon Capital Chronicle)

But the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in an unsigned emergency docket opinion Monday that the states essentially sued too early and that a federal judge in Massachusetts was wrong to block the order because states had not established that it harmed them. The high court's ruling did not weigh whether the order and the administration's efforts to implement it would ultimately be found unconstitutional.

Read also directed local election officials to document when they drop ballots off with the postal service and any challenges they experience, including postal workers refusing to accept ballots, delaying delivery or giving contradictory instructions.

Read visited county elections offices in all 36 counties in 2025 and said he talked to clerks about the possibility of policy changes or natural disasters disrupting Oregon's mail voting system.

"It's been more than a quarter century since we conducted in-person elections, so that transition would be expensive and difficult," he said. "It's also worth remembering that this election is effectively underway."

The U.S. Postal Service issued a final rule Friday for how it plans to implement Trump's order, but it hasn't yet been published to the federal register. It includes a provision that it will not be in effect for this year's midterm elections if an injunction is still in place, but U.S. District Judge Indira Talwani's injunction barred the federal government from changing states' mail-in voting rules prior to the Nov. 3 elections.

Oregon Attorney General Dan Rayfield has pledged to immediately sue over any changes that affect Oregonians' ability to vote.

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Challenge to boost student voter turnout launched

Oregon Secretary of State Tobias Read has launched the Oregon Campus Voting Challenge to boost student voter participation in the upcoming general election.

"Our elections decide our future, and no one has more at stake in that future than young Oregonians. However, too many young people don't vote because they don't feel connected to the process. That's why we launched the Oregon Campus Voting Challenge. It's a proven approach to building civic engagement among young adults," Read said. "We are going to keep finding ways to get Oregonians involved in our elections because our state is stronger when more people make their voices heard."

The challenge is debuting with 20 colleges and universities from across the state. To join, the institution must commit to taking a series of actions to improve nonpartisan civic engagement on campus, including:

• Helping students build the habits of an engaged citizen.

• Making nonpartisan democratic participation a core value on campus.

• Convening a nonpartisan campus-wide working group that includes students and administrators.

• Engaging with data to improve campus resources and programming to support nonpartisan student civic engagement.

• Developing and implementing a nonpartisan action plan to improve civic learning, political engagement, and voter participation.

"At Chemeketa, we believe education is about more than preparing students for successful careers. It's also about helping them find their voice, recognize that their opinion matters, and see themselves as active participants in the communities they call home," Chemeketa Community College President Jessica Howard said. "Voting is one of the most direct ways students can put that sense of belonging into action. Through the Oregon Campus Voting Challenge, we can help students build the knowledge, confidence, and habits they need to participate in our democracy, not just while they are in college, but throughout their lives."

Oregon's campus voting challenge is in collaboration with Civic Nation's ALL IN Campus Democracy Challenge, a nationwide initiative that empowers colleges and universities to achieve excellence in nonpartisan student democratic engagement.

Based on past elections, campuses that are highly engaged in ALL IN programming have voter turnout rates that are 4-6 percentage points higher than their peers.

Oregon institutions and individuals who participate in the challenge are eligible for a variety of national recognitions from ALL IN. These are awarded for achievement in areas such as: creation of a strong action plan, extraordinary engagement with students, and exemplary individual nonpartisan actions boosting campus voter turnout.

"As college students return to campus ahead of the 2026 midterm elections, they will navigate new syllabi, schedules, and opportunities to make their voices heard. ALL IN commends Oregon's commitment to nonpartisan civic engagement on college campuses, and we are proud to partner with Secretary of State Read to launch the Oregon Campus Voting Challenge to empower and support thousands of students to vote not only in November, but throughout their entire lives," ALL IN Campus Democracy Challenge Executive Director Jan Domagal-Goldman said.

The Oregon colleges and universities participating at launch are:

• Blue Mountain Community College

• Chemeketa Community College

• Clackamas Community College

• Columbia Gorge Community College

• Eastern Oregon University

• Lane Community College

• Lewis & Clark College

• Linfield University

• Linn-Benton Community College

• Mt. Hood Community College

• Oregon State University

• Pacific University

• Portland Community College

• Portland State University

• Reed College

• Rogue Community College

• Tillamook Bay Community College

• University of Oregon

• University of Portland

• Western Oregon University

Political Cartoon





Super Crossword

Answers

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Answer

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Americanisms



"The artist must bow to the monster of his own imagination."

– Richard Wright

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The Garden Bug

Gomphrena



This compact and colorful plant produces flowerheads that brighten any garden. It is excellent for use in freshly-cut bouquets, or dried to use in dried flower arrangements. Gomphrena likes well-drained soil in full sun, typically growing about 12" to 24" tall. It may need support for its stems. These plants show good tolerance for drought and high heat, and do very well in borders, rock gardens or cutting gardens.

Source: www.gardening.cornell.edu

– Brenda Weaver

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GO FIGURE!

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

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State/Regional News

No longer lagging, Oregon economic growth catching up with nation, state economists report

By Alex Baumhardt
Oregon Capital Chronicle

Since the COVID-19 pandemic, economic growth in Oregon has underperformed the nation's.

Now, the gap between the two is closing and the state's economic output is growing at about the same pace as the national economy, according to Oregon's chief economist, Carl Riccadonna, and senior economist, Michael Kennedy.

The two presented the data, part of the state's latest revenue forecast, to reporters Tuesday evening ahead of a Wednesday meeting with the House and Senate revenue committees.

Overall state revenue for the current biennium is up $55 million from the previous forecast in May, and expected to be up $538 million for the 2027-29 biennium. Combined, the state could start next year with nearly $600 million more dollars in its coffers, Kennedy said.

That's largely from an unexpected increase in personal income taxes, which is buffering an unexpected decline in corporate income taxes. The higher income taxes indicate more people are working, more people are earning higher wages, or both. Oregon's relatively stagnant employment rate indicates it has more to do with wage growth than job growth, though Riccadonna said the employment gap should be starting to close as well.

The revenue boost is good news to lawmakers who will meet for six months beginning in January to negotiate state spending priorities, though two more revenue forecasts to come before the session could change the picture.

Riccadonna described Oregon's economy at present as "relatively steady."

"The long and short of it is that the economy kind of continues to chug along at a fairly decent pace," he said.

It's a departure from the last forecast in May, when the economists expected a steep drop in state income tax revenue from sluggish job growth, wage stagnation and higher inflationary pressures — especially due to rising gas prices from President Donald Trump's war on Iran.

Thresholds for gas prices that would have tipped the U.S. economy into a recession have not been reached, Riccadonna said, but he added that "energy prices are still very much a headwind for the economy, but not a headwind in the way that is actually leading us to worry about a growth stall."

Despite inflation running between 3% and 4% throughout the year — that's about double the 2% inflation rate most economic policy makers target — consumer spending is up in the U.S. and in Oregon. But so is what Riccadonna called "dissaving," which is individuals saving less than they would otherwise to cover spending and wracking up debt to maintain spending levels.

"The reality is that next session, because of President Trump's tax cuts for the rich, Oregon will be forced to cut hundreds of millions of dollars from programs working families depend on, including health care and food assistance," he said.

Gov. Tina Kotek in a statement echoed Bowman's frustration with federal cuts to Medicaid and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or SNAP.

"There are promising indicators in today's forecast, but too many Oregonians are struggling to make ends meet. Oregon families continue to face rising prices and that's likely to continue as President Trump's tariffs drive up costs for everyday goods and the war in Iran keeps gas prices high," she said. "President Trump and Republicans in Congress are also cutting crucial social programs, such as SNAP and Medicaid, meaning Oregon's resources will need to go further."

Sen. Bruce Starr, a Republican from Dundee and Senate minority Leader, said in a statement that the forecast shows Oregonians are "doing their part to keep our economy moving, even as energy bills and the cost of living take a bigger bite out of their paychecks."

He said he was concerned about the expected drop in Corporate Activity Tax revenue, and said it shows that policy makers should do more to keep businesses in the state.

Impacts of tariffs, inflation, GOP tax and spending law

The Supreme Court ruling striking down Trump's tariffs in February stabilized some of the unpredictability in the economy during the first half of the year, but recent attempts by Trump to reinstate many of those have caused uncertainty, the two economists said. When tariff rates were effectively dropped, imports surged, adding to economic growth.

Tariff refunds following the Supreme Court decision also acted as an effective tax refund for businesses, which helped to stabilize the economy and offset some of the worst headwinds from rising energy prices throughout this year, Riccadonna said.

Riccadonna said overall corporate income taxes show "unusual developments" in large part because of the tax and spending law congressional Republicans passed in the summer of 2025 that was made retroactive to the beginning of 2025. That shifted how corporations paid their taxes, applied refunds forward and interacted unpredictably with the tariff refunds corporations received.

Kennedy expects corporate income tax revenue to come in $92 million less than expected during the next biennium, and explained that the state's so-called "corporate kicker" rebate that has during the last decade consistently sent millions of higher-than-expected business tax revenue to Oregon's schools is "no longer kicking."

Recession odds remain relatively unchanged, Riccadonna said, at about 18% likelihood. He said he does not expect that will fall in part because risks remain high that inflated valuations for artificial intelligence and technology investments could cause the stock market to fall.

The other recession risk is persistent inflation. Wages are up but are being diluted by rising prices on everyday goods.

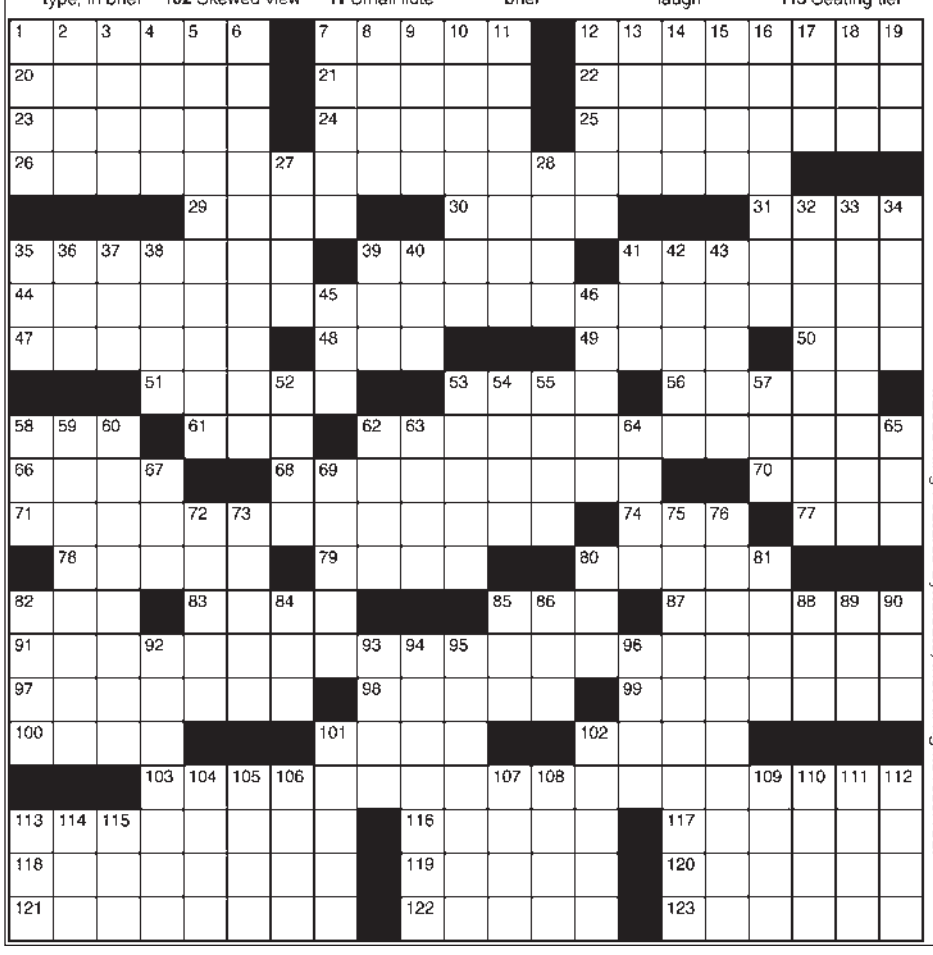
That means at some point the Federal Reserve will need to get aggressive about raising interest rates to cool the economy or investors themselves will push interest rates up via demanding inflation premiums on their investments. Both would drive down sales of vehicles, houses, and any big purchases that require borrowing, which could slow the economy.

Puzzle answers on page 9

Super Crossword — FELINE FROM AFAR

ACROSS
1 More serious, as a matter
7 It's hidden by head hair
12 Quivered
20 Sure to succeed, as a proposition
21 Marisa of "Cyrus"
22 César Ritz or Conrad Hilton
23 Immediately
24 Of the hipbone
25 With great happiness
26 Start of a riddle
29 Breathe hard and fast
30 Seat of Kansas' Allen County
31 Whale like Shamu
35 Bouncer's age-verifying duty
39 — Park (site of Edison's lab)
41 Shock absorbers, of sorts
44 Riddle, part 2
47 Overly affected
48 Two, in Spain
49 Certain blood type, in brief
50 Quantity: Abbr.
51 Egyptian sun god
53 Fiber-yielding plant
56 Charlotte — (rich dessert)
58 Erwin of old films
61 Web portal since '95
62 Riddle, part 3
66 Mailed, e.g.
68 Pen name
70 Tiny, informally
71 Riddle, part 4
74 Really binges, briefly
77 Atlanta-to-Tampa dir.
78 Dog's tether
79 Edict
80 Expend all of
82 Lay (down)
83 84-Down of Bart Simpson
85 "Indubitably!"
87 Dazzling effects
91 End of the riddle
97 Signs up
98 Fishing line attachments
99 Private school
100 Personal manner
101 Chimney stuff
102 Skewed view
103 Riddle's answer
113 Egyptian carrier until 2021
116 Makes level
117 Disappear without —
118 Least narrow
119 Fix, as a bow
120 Papal crowns
121 Cutting parts of some cutting tools
122 Sulky states
123 Accompany for security

DOWN
1 Chew like a rat
2 Horror film director Eli
3 Emollient plant juice
4 Gold-winning skier Lindsey
5 Locked place where people solve puzzles to find the key
6 People staging old battles, say
7 Clown's leg lengthener
8 E. — (bacterium)
9 Lady friend, in France
10 On a slant
11 Small flute
12 Iota preceder
13 Do deep massage therapy on
14 And the like: Abbr.
15 Portion (out)
16 Ignored, informally
17 Pan topper
18 Sinuous fish
19 Parched
27 Egyptian sacred cross
28 Truckloads
32 Goes over, as old issues
33 Sevastopol natives, e.g.
34 Deputy: Abbr.
35 Hairy TV cousin
36 Whoop-de- —
37 Co. VIP
38 Owns, to Shakespeare
39 L-P link
40 Mag VIPs
41 Big Mac base
42 Wombs
43 Fill with steam
45 Mag revenue sources
46 Cry to a baby who makes a boo-boo
52 Potentially offensive, in brief
53 Attacked aggressively
54 Business coll. subject
55 Repair
57 Neighbor of Nor. and Fin.
58 Dir. 45 degrees from 77-Across
59 "Madam Secretary" star
60 Perturb
62 Rig on a road
63 Panther
64 Med. insurers
65 "Ready Player One" co-star Sheridan
67 "J to — L-O!" (Lopez album)
69 Until now
72 Dots on ocean maps
73 Switch gears
75 Become less intense
76 In the current state
80 Land with a 50-star flag
81 Said "guilty" or "not guilty"
82 Apple discard
84 Bro's sibling
85 Hearty laugh
86 Three in "maximum"
88 "Botch- —" (1952 hit)
89 Pro — (for now)
90 Pigs' hangout
92 Makes an allusion to
93 Sneaker, e.g.
94 Horn honkers
95 A baker may wear a mitt to handle one
96 Longtime depilatory brand
101 Singer Patti or Sam
102 Greyhound transports
104 Deputy
105 Body part with a cap
106 Brooklyn Bridge's river
107 Legendary snow beast
108 Doing the task
109 — II (Gillette razor)
110 Starchy tropical root
111 Plug-in auto
112 Repose
113 Sit-up targets
114 Lyricist Gershwin
115 Seating tier



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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

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Many Oregonians may qualify for SNAP work or activity rule exemptions without realizing it

OREGON DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Many Oregonians who are required to meet SNAP work or activity rules may qualify for an exemption based on their health, work, education, caregiving responsibilities or other circumstances.

The Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) is encouraging people to contact the agency so staff can review their situation and help them keep the food benefits they qualify for.

Currently, 93% of Oregonians subject to SNAP work or activity rules qualify for an exemption.

"A change in your life can change whether SNAP work or activity rules apply to you," ODHS SNAP Director Jessica Amaya Hoffman said. "You may have started caring for someone, experienced a health change or begun a new job or training program. Contact us before assuming you have to meet the requirements. We'll listen, explain your options and help you take the next step."

Common reasons someone may qualify for an exemption

Depending on their circumstances, people may qualify for an exemption if they are:

- Pregnant.
- Physically or mentally unable to work.
- Already working enough hours to meet the requirement.
- Participating in a qualifying education or training program.
- Move to an exempt county or waived Tribal land.
- Responsible for caring for a child or another person, depending on their circumstances.

Report changes as soon as possible

Life circumstances change. If you've started a new job, become pregnant, experienced a change in your health or your household responsibilities have changed, contact ODHS as soon as possible. Those changes may mean you now qualify for an exemption.

People who think they may qualify for an exemption can also complete the Report of Exemptions, Paid or Unpaid Work, or Good Cause form. The form can help identify whether someone may qualify for an exemption and report volunteer hours, work activities or other qualifying information to ODHS.

How ODHS can help

People who contact ODHS may:

- Review their individual circumstances to determine whether an exemption applies.
- Learn what documentation may be needed.
- Report changes in work, volunteer activities or household circumstances.
- Complete the Report of Exemptions, Paid or Unpaid Work, or Good Cause form.
- Connect with WorkSource Oregon and other employment and training resources if they need to meet the work or activity requirements.

About SNAP work or activity rules

As of July 2025, federal changes expanded SNAP work or activity rules, increasing the number of Oregonians who need to meet these requirements to continue receiving food benefits.

Adults ages 18 to 64 without a child under age 14 in their SNAP household generally need to complete 80 hours of work or qualifying activities each month unless they qualify for an exemption or live in a waived area.

If someone does not meet the requirements and does not qualify for an exemption, ODHS sends a counting month notice. Anyone who receives one of these notices is encouraged to contact the SNAP Work or Activity Rules Team to discuss their options.

Learn more

For more information about SNAP work or activity rules and exemptions:

- English: Oregon.gov/snapworkrules
- Spanish: Oregon.gov/snapnormastrabajo

ODHS SNAP Work or Activity Rules (ABAWD) Team

- Call: 1-833-947-1694
- Email: SNAP.ABAWD-Team@odhsoha.oregon.gov

CAMPAIGN
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in Eugene and Medford in early October, compared to three debates between the candidates in 2022.

Drazan seeks to provide alternative to Kotek, points to polling

Oregon hasn't elected a Republican governor since 1982, and the GOP's control of the White House and Congress is expected to generate significant political headwinds for Republicans nationwide. Campaign finance records show Kotek has raised more than $10.1 million since last year, leading Drazan by more than $3.9 million.

Drazan's campaign, however, has seized on a poll it commissioned showing the Republican gubernatorial hopeful with 48% of the vote, up 4 points against Kotek, within the poll's 4-point margin of error. The Virginia-based firm Public Opinion Strategies, which often works for conservative and Republican causes, conducted the polling.

Other analysts have also adjusted their forecasts away from favoring Kotek this time around. The Cook Political Report updated its ranking from "Solid D" to "Likely D" for the Oregon governor's race in July. The newsletter Inside Elections made a similar change over the summer as well, citing a potential for voters to express dissatisfaction with Kotek and decades of the state's Democratic control.

Drazan backers see a chance to cut into Kotek's margins in major population centers, seizing on issues such as homelessness and economic development.

"People see a state that they used to be really proud of, including Portland," said Chuck Adams, a Salem-based conservative political consultant. "Portland's a place that we used to tout and be really proud of, and now we have less to be proud of because of policies, really bad policies. I think that's what Christine offers — a different approach to a lot of those issues."

Drazan, a Klamath Falls native, appears to have adopted that strategy, describing Oregon's problems in an advertisement as "not partisan." She has also recently backed a campaign to ask Oregon voters to enshrine a right to hunt, fish and farm after an unsuccessful signature gathering campaign for a measure that would have effectively outlawed most of those practices.

"When I was young, we moved more than a dozen times just trying to get our feet underneath us. The politicians sat by and watched while the mills closed and jobs disappeared," Drazan said in her most recent ad. "Today, it's Tina Kotek's policies that are killing jobs and leaving kids and families like yours and mine behind."

Kotek, Democrats emphasize Trump

The Democratic Party of Oregon, meanwhile, has been particularly vocal about tying Drazan to the federal administration. The party recently purchased multiple domain names tied to Drazan's name to link to a site comparing her and Kotek on various issues when it comes to aligning with Trump.

"After weeks of refusing to make clear where she stood, Christine Drazan said she supported military deployment in Portland and stood by while Trump turned federal troops against Oregonians," one section of the website reads. "Following The MAGA Agenda Instead of working to protect Oregonians from Trump's gross abuse of power, Drazan blamed local leaders who were working to protect our communities."

Drazan's statement following Trump's announcement of an attempted deployment to Portland condemned "violent mobs and domestic terrorists" and said "we need order, we need to restore safety, and Oregon's local leaders have failed to provide it."

Ashley Quinton, a campaign spokesperson, wrote in an email that the website had "plenty of inaccuracies and blatant falsehoods," adding that Drazan "never said she supported military deployment to Oregon."

But approaches like the website help Democratic politicians like Kotek to keep the focus on the federal administration rather than their own record, according to Jake Weigler, a Portland-based Democratic political consultant.

"Their base is frustrated and feeling like we are at an existential moment for the future of our country, and that the Democratic establishment is failing to meet the moment in terms of the intensity of their opposition," he said. "I think it's useful for Kotek to shift the focus to Trump and his record versus trying to stand up for what she's done."

The governor appears to be taking note of those dynamics. Her campaign announced on Friday that she received a nomination from the state's progressive Working Families Party, which previously declined to endorse her primary election bid. Kotek's office also touted data last week projecting that Oregon has seen a rise in housing production for 2025 and 2026, bucking a national downward trend and reversing a decline taking place in Oregon when she took office.

"Here in Oregon, we always have competitive races for governor. We always have. Four years ago was no different and Senator Drazan is back," Kotek said during her television interview. "What I think voters will end up deciding (is that) they will look at my record. Elections are about choices. We are in a very difficult time in our country and in our state."

The first debate both campaigns have agreed to participate in so far is set to take place Oct. 1 in Eugene.

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

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NORTH BEND PUBLIC LIBRARY, 1800 SHERMAN AVE.
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MEET ADOPTABLE CATS AND DOGS FROM FRIENDS OF COOS COUNTY ANIMALS. ALL ANIMALS LIVE IN FOSTER HOMES.

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A COMMUNITY GATHERING TO EXPRESS VIEWS, SUPPORT DEMOCRACY, AND CONNECT WITH LIKE MINDED NEIGHBORS.

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

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

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

FURRY FRIENDS THERAPY DOGS, INC. MEETING
FOURTH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH
(THIRD THURSDAY IN NOVEMBER & DECEMBER)
CEDAR ROOM, COOS BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY
LEARN ABOUT SHARING YOUR DOG'S LOVE THROUGH THERAPY VISITS. OPEN TO ALL INTERESTED COMMUNITY MEMBERS.

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

WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT BOOK CLUB
FIRST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH - 11:00 AM–12:00 PM
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MONTHLY DISCUSSION CELEBRATING WOMEN'S RESILIENCE AND ACHIEVEMENTS.

BUILD IT SATURDAYS (LEGO®)
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COOS BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY, 525 ANDERSON AVE.
OPEN LEGO BUILDING FOR AGES 0–14. KIDS UNDER 11 MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.

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

PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP
SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH - 1:00–2:30 PM
COOS BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY, MYRTLEWOOD ROOM
SUPPORT AND CONNECTION FOR PEOPLE WITH PARKINSON'S AND CARE PARTNERS.

OREGON BAY AREA BEAUTIFICATION
SECOND SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH - 9:45 AM
VARIES (SEE 4OBAB.ORG)
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL ACTIVITY LEVELS FOCUSED ON COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION.

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

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

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THIRD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH - 12:00–6:00 PM
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SPANGLISH: SPANISH CONVERSATION GROUP
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INFORMAL SPANISH CONVERSATION PRACTICE FOR ALL SKILL LEVELS.

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

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

STEAMTIME
TUESDAY MORNINGS - 11:00 AM
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HANDS ON STEAM ACTIVITIES FOR AGES 4–8, GEARED TOWARD PRESCHOOLERS AND HOMESCHOOLERS.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sawdust Presents:
"Calamity at the Coquelle Creamery" or "Udder Confusion
June 5 – September 6, Shows at 7:00 PM, Matinees at 2:00 PM
Sawdust Theatre, 120 N. Adams St., Coquille
The melodrama is set on a dairy farm in the lovely Coquelle Valley, where the evil villain Franklin Basher, "that terrible masher," and villainess Sylvia Silverthroat work their wiles against heroine Henrietta Holstein and her hero, Ferdinand Farmsworth.
This year's play was written for the Sawdust Theatre by longtime Sawdusters Diana Amling, Gael Berhow and Cindy Robnett. Tickets are $10 and are available at River Cities Realty, Inc., on the theatre's website SawdustTheatre.com or at the theatre, 120 N. Adams St., before each performance, if seats remain unsold.
More information is available by calling the Sawdust Theatre at 541-396-4563.

WEDNESDAY BUSINESS CONNECTION LUNCHEONS, BAY AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
EVERY WEDNESDAY STARTING SEPT. 2, 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM
KO-KWEL CASINO RESORT, SALMON ROOM
THE BAY AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE'S WEDNESDAY BUSINESS CONNECTION LUNCHEONS RETURN TO THE KO-KWEL CASINO RESORT FOR ANOTHER SLATE OF INFORMATIVE FORUMS AND PRESENTATIONS PERTAINING TO LOCAL BUSINESSES AND POLITICS. THE OPENING SLATE OF GUESTS INCLUDE:
SEPT. 2 - KICK OFF WBC WITH SENATOR DICK ANDERSON
SEPT. 9 - TRAVEL WITH THE CHAMBER "A TASTE OF TUSCANY"
SEPT. 16 - REPRESENTATIVE COURT BOICE AND BRET CECIL FORUM
SEPT. 23 - SHERIFF GABE FABRIZIO AND MIKE KINNAIRD FORUM
OCTOBER 7 - CONGRESSWOMAN VAL HOYLE AND MONIQUE DESPAIN

MUSIC ON THE BAY - THE DRUNKEN HEARTS
SEPTEMBER 3
MINGUS PARK
THE DRUNKEN HEARTS WILL BE PERFORMING THEIR ALT COUNTRY/AMERICANA MUSIC AT THE MINGUS PARK AMPHITHEATER AS PART OF MUSIC ON THE BAY'S FOURTH OF SIX FREE CONCERTS. BOTTLING OUTLAW COUNTRY GRIT, POETIC STORYTELLING, AND COSMIC ROCK ENERGY INTO A SOUND THAT IS GOING TO FILL THE PARK. COME WITH YOUR CHAIRS, A BLANKET, AND SOME PICNIC FOOD TO SOAK IN THE LOVELY ATMOSPHERE AND ENJOY AN EVENING FILLED WITH OUTSTANDING MUSIC. CONCERT BEGINS AT 7PM.

COOS BAY DOWNTOWN WINE WALK
- FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH
SEPTEMBER 4, 5:00 PM
COOS BAY VISITORS CENTER
YOU DON'T NEED TO BE SOPHISTICATED TO ENJOY THE COOS BAY WINE WALK...
JUST COME, HAVE FUN, AND SUPPORT A GREAT CAUSE! THE FUN STARTS AT 5 P.M. AT THE COOS BAY VISITOR CENTER, 50 CENTRAL AVENUE; OR CHECKERBERRY'S FLOWERS & GIFTS AT COOS BAY VILLAGE FROM FEBRUARY - DECEMBER. MAKE A $10 DONATION AND GET A COMMEMORATIVE WINE GLASS (WHILE SUPPLIES LAST), WRISTBAND, AND THE MAP OF PARTICIPATING BUSINESSES. THIS IS A COOS BAY-NORTH BEND ROTARY CLUB FUNDRAISER WITH PROCEEDS BENEFITTING A DIFFERENT NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION EACH MONTH.

COOS FAMILY RESOURCE FAIR
SEPTEMBER 10, 4:00-6:00 PM
COOS BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY CONNECT WITH LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS THAT OFFER SERVICES, AFTER-SCHOOL CARE, PRESCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES, AND ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 FROM 4:00-6:00PM AT A FAMILY RESOURCE FAIR AT THE COOS BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY. THE EVENT WILL FEATURE A WIDE RANGE OF LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS THAT WORK WITH FAMILIES AND CHILDREN 0-18, THE PURPOSE OF THE FAIR IS TO GIVE PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS AN OPPORTUNITY TO SEE WHAT ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE COMMUNITY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

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

JOHNNY YOUNG @ THE SILVER DOLLAR TAVERN
SEPTEMBET 12, 8:00 PM
JOHNNY YOUNG RETURNS TO THE PACIFIC NW IN SUPPORT OF HIS LATEST RADIO SINGLE "THE WAY YOU DANCE", AND IS SET TO PERFORM IN COOS BAY AT THE NEW SILVER DOLLAR TAVERN ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH AT 8PM. FREE ADMISSION AGE 21 AND OVER.
THIS RISING ARTIST **TO** WATCH HAS A HISTORY PLAYING WITH BANDS THROUGHOUT THE WEST, BUT MIGRATED TO NASHVILLE IN 2020 TO START A SOLO CAREER, AND HAS SINCE BEEN ON THE ROAD PERFORMING ALONGSIDE COUNTRY MUSIC LEGENDS THROUGHOUT NORTH AMERICA. DON'T MISS THIS RARE APPEARANCE, AND CHANCE TO DANCE TO SOME GENUINE COUNTRY MUSIC!

21ST ANNUAL SALMON CELEBRATION
SEPTEMBER 12-13
KO-KWEL CASINO RESORT
CELEBRATE THE 21ST ANNUAL SALMON CELEBRATION, A FREE OUTDOOR FESTIVAL HONORING NATIVE AND COQUILLE TRIBAL CULTURE ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, FROM 10 AM TO 5 PM, AND SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, FROM 11 AM TO 4 PM. THIS EVENT BRINGS A WEEKEND OF FAMILY FUN FEATURING TRIBAL CANOE RACES, NATIVE VENDORS AND HANDCRAFTED ART, CULTURAL DEMONSTRATIONS, HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES, AND A TRADITIONAL SALMON BAKE MEAL AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE. ENJOY LIVE NATIVE AMERICAN DANCING, DRUMMING, AND FLUTE MUSIC THROUGHOUT THE WEEKEND. THE FESTIVAL TAKES PLACE IN THE SOUTH PARKING LOT OUTSIDE THE KO-KWEL CASINO RESORT HOTEL. ADMISSION IS FREE, SO BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY AND CELEBRATE CULTURE, COMMUNITY, AND TRADITION.

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Bandon WESTERN WORLD

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As I See It

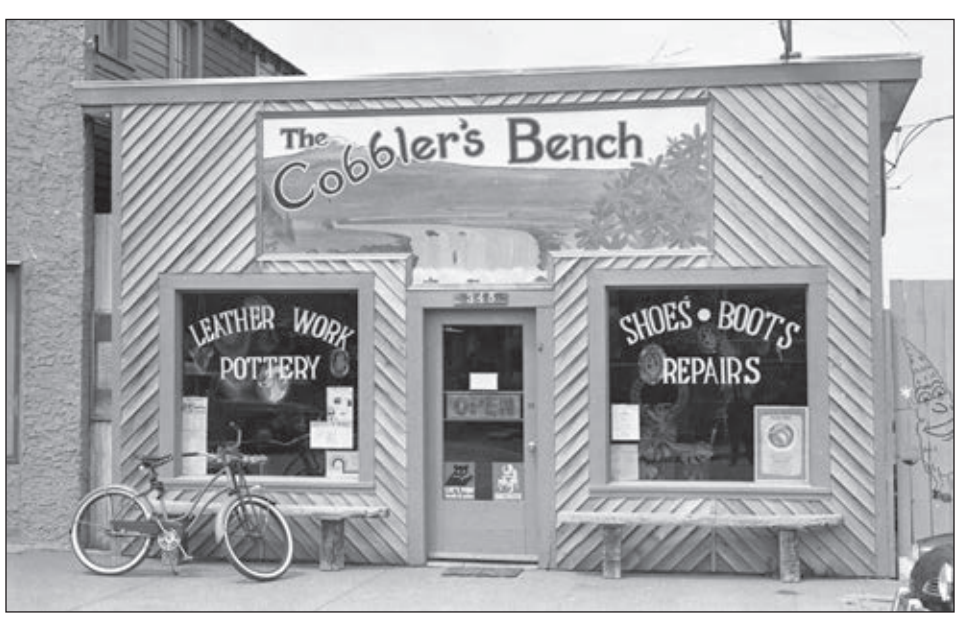
By *Mary Schamehorn*



The first picture I am sharing was taken in January of 1958 as a site on the north side of the Coquille River was prepared to unload rock to help build the new highway to Coos Bay. The new stretch of Highway 101 finally opened in 1960. The house in the picture was owned by Warren Bullard, a member of the family who sold property to the state which eventually became Bullards Beach State Park.

The second photo, taken in June of 1982, shows the Cobbler's Bench next to the Bandon Theater in what today is known as Old Town. The business was owned by Wolf Daniel Braun, who later relocated to the present location after fire destroyed this building. Today the business is owned by his son, Peter Braun. The theater building, at left was torn down in the late 1980s and today the property is a vacant lot between Bandon Coffee Cafe and Pacific Properties.

The third picture was taken sometime in the 1940s featuring three businesses on the north side of Highway 101 between



Elmira Avenue and Fillmore Avenue. Ed Gallier Plumbing is now the home of Gina Morelli's Beach Loop Realty, the Southwestern Motors showroom later became The Laurel, and a city-owned parking lot occupies the space where Coast Lumber Yard stood for decades.

At the far right, you can see the old Coates house, which was on the grounds where the sewage treatment plant is today.

The City of Bandon electric department has lost thousands of dollars of copper wire from its utility system in a series of thefts in recent weeks. As a result, the Bandon Police Department has issued a statement warning residents "about a recent rash of power line thefts in the greater Bandon area, including Coos and Curry counties, involving illegal cutting and removing of wire from utility infrastructure.

"These incidents are extremely dangerous. Cutting power lines can result in serious injury or death, not only to the person attempting to remove the wire but also to nearby residents, utility workers and members of the public. Damaged power lines and utility equipment can also create an extreme risk of fire, particularly in dry conditions. Residents are asked to remain alert and report suspicious activity around utility poles and power infrastructure.

If you see someone near a utility pole or power line who does not appear to be a legitimate utility worker, please contact law enforcement immediately. Do not approach or confront the person. Note the location, description of the person and vehicle, direction of travel if you can, but done safely.

"Cutting or tampering with power lines is a serious felony criminal offense and may result in felony charges which may include domestic terrorism in the first degree. Depending on the circumstances and applicable law, other serious charges may be considered.

"The safety of our community depends on everyone remaining vigilant," said the press release.

There were several reports of small fires in the Bandon area on the scanner in the last couple of weeks. On Aug. 16, at 2 a.m., Bandon Fire was called to Franklin Avenue SW and 14th Street for an odor investigation. The smell was said to be making the reporting party sick. Bandon fire was on scene and made contact with the property owner. It was a smoldering fire in a burn barrel, and he was working on extinguishing it.

I am assuming this is outside the city limits since it is illegal to use a burn barrel inside the city.

On Aug. 20, shortly before 10 p.m., Bandon Fire was called to investigate a fire underneath the play structure at Ocean Crest Elementary School. They found a small 1 x 1 fire, which was extinguished.

On Aug. 22, Bandon Fire was called shortly before 9 p.m. about a burn complaint in the area of Grand Avenue and 5th Street for a transient fire. Dispatch requested law enforcement to respond.

Bandon City Recorder June Hinojosa has released the names of the candidates running for election in the November General Election.

Council president Josh Adamson and incumbent Mary Schamehorn are running for mayor.

Qualifying for the city council election are incumbents Madeline Seymour and Chris Powell, budget committee member Renee Taylor, former city manager Dan Chandler, businessman David Zaragoza and Ray's meat manager Raymond Ahumada.

The south end of Seven Devils Road, just off Highway 101, has been closed since flooding caused a sink hole that caused the road to collapse in March of 2025. But Friday, a contract is expected to be awarded by Coos County to Knife River, as the low bidder on the nearly $300,000 project, which will be paid with federal pass-through dollars.

County Commissioner John Sweet acknowledged it had been a long time coming, but said the scope of work is huge, with the failed culvert being 26 feet below the road.

A Coos County Timber Deputy was dispatched to a report of an assault at the Secret Hole Campground near Powers on Aug. 15. The deputy conducted an extensive investigation over several days.

On Aug. 22, the suspects and their vehicle were located in Bandon. As a result, Christopher D. Hernandez, 46; Jeffery D. Pike, 37; and McKayla L. Christian-Brotton, 34, were all arrested on charges of second-degree robbery, third-degree assault, second-degree kidnapping and unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

The trio was transported to the Coos County Jail where they were booked on the respective charges and remained in custody when the report was issued Aug. 22.

The 80th annual Bandon Cranberry Festival will be held Thursday through Sunday, Sept. 10-13, opening with the coronation where one of the three princesses, Giada Moore, Jessica Burg or Katelyn Clark, will be crowned by last year's queen Brooklin Butts. The coronation will be held at the Sprague Theater.

Friday's events will include the Queen of the Kitchen contest at the VFW and the Cranberry Bowl football game Friday evening.

The main events are Saturday and Sunday in Old Town, with the grand festival parade to begin at 10 a.m. on Saturday, with vendors, a car show and an evening street dance. Vendors will also be in Old Town on Sunday. When I find information about other events and the times for the events, I will print them.

A memorial service will be held Aug. 29 in Harrisburg for a Bandon native, John David Loshbaugh who was born Nov. 20, 1949, to Ennis Loshbaugh and Viola Prewett Loshbaugh. He attended school in Langlois and graduated from Pacific High. He later worked on his mother's family farm south of town. He lived a life of service volunteering on Harrisburg city committees and the Fire Department, serving a total of 27 years. He was preceded in death by three siblings, Violet Stevenson, W "Bud" Loshbaugh and Betty Lunan.

A standout athlete at Bandon High School, Caitlyn Michalek, daughter of Christine and Dustin Michalek, is headed to Grand Canyon University in Phoenix, Az., where she will become a member of the track and field team as a javelin thrower.

Old-timers are familiar with Grand Canyon University, which is the college that 6-9 Tiger basketball standout Bayard Forrest attended in the early 1970s, in spite of being sought after by Oregon coach Dick Harter. Forrest, who went on to play a season of professional ball for Phoenix after guiding Grand Canyon to the 1975 NAIA Division 1 championship, is married to the former Peggy Ward, sister of Sharon Ward Moy of Bandon.

Lately people have been asking me about my As I See It column, so I did a little research, and found that I began writing it 50 years ago ... in August of 1976. It was as the name implied... how I saw things. It was filled with my take on many issues, some political, some not. I started sharing three history photos about 15 years ago. Then, when the Western World closed and I realized there was no place for people to get their "hard news," I added that to my personal observations. I know that people now turn to it for the real news, but I hate that I can no longer share my take on other things, some with "tongue in cheek," without worrying about offending someone. The news part of my column has become more of a full-time job which means every Sunday night I have to devote to writing what I have learned during the week, and it is not easy. I do appreciate it when people share news with me. I hope this helps people understand more about my column and how it originated .... as a side note to the hard news which I often penned on the front pages of the Western World... where I worked off and on for over 40 years. My column has now become more of a community responsibility and I understand that.

Stillwater Natives Nursery is looking for Fall semester interns, who will work 4 to 6 hours a week with plants in the greenhouse. They will receive a work experience credit and an $800 stipend from Friends of Bandon Parks & Recreation. For more information or to apply, contact Darcy Grahek at darcygrahek@gmail.com. "We will connect students to a whole world of people who work with plants," said Grahek.

I learned recently that Bandon has the second oldest demographics, behind Lakeside, of all communities in the county. Last week I wrote about the St. John's Medical Loan Closet, a great service provided by a relatively small congregation of Episcopalians who really care!

But an incident that occurred recently in the parking lot of the podiatrists' office called my attention to another pressing need: a wheelchair accessible van, much like an ambulance, that could transport people to and from medical appointments.

Maybe Adapt has something like this, or could provide this kind of assistance, but I plan to look into it because I know it's a need that may not be met, or if it is, the public doesn't know about it.

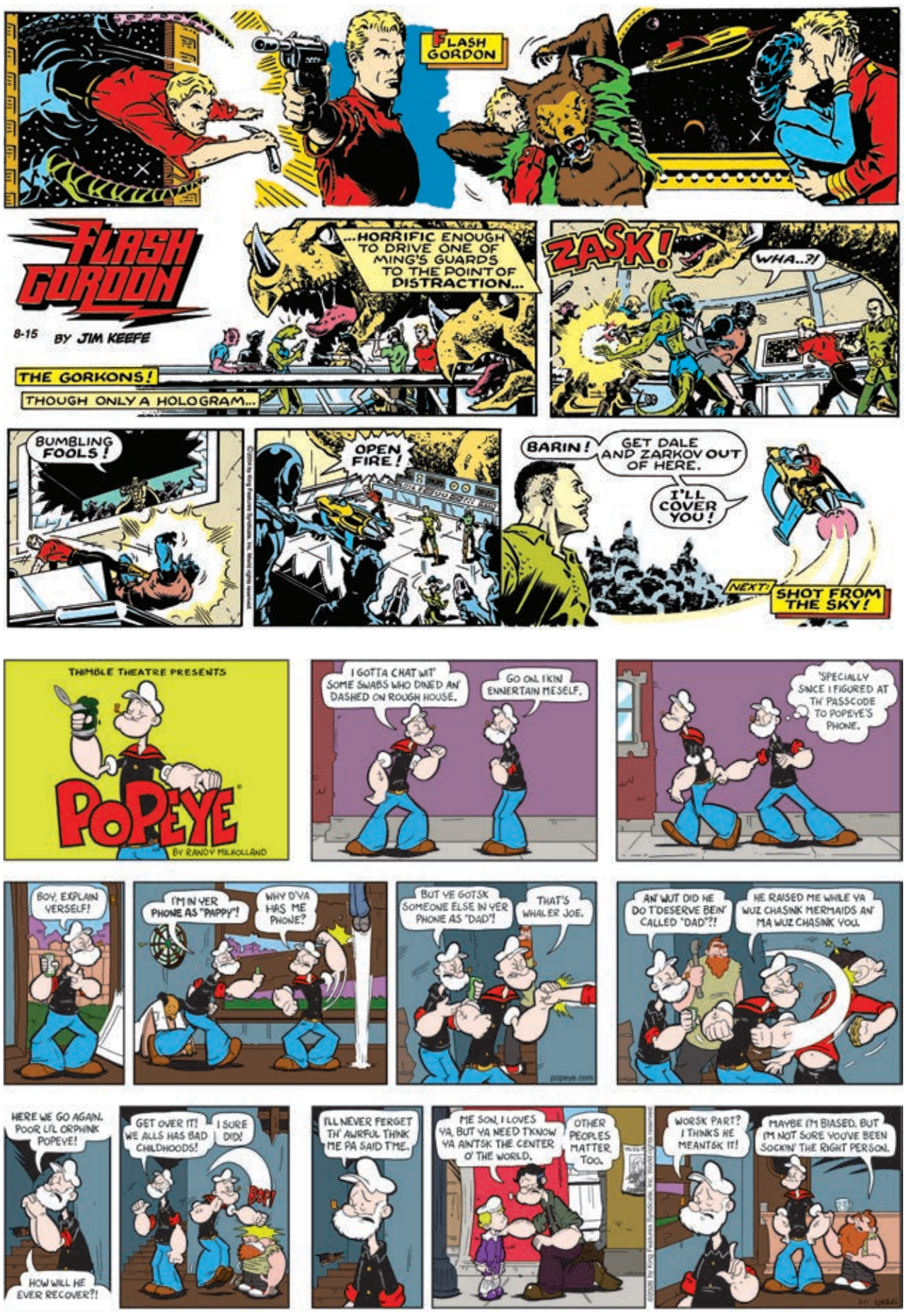


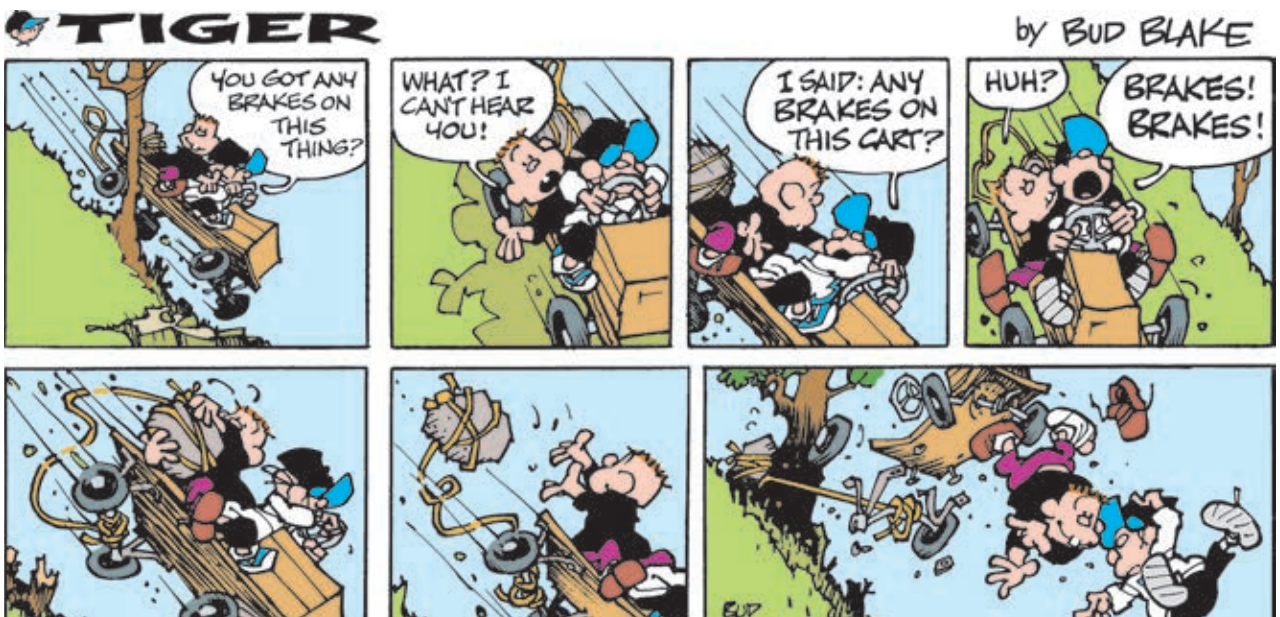
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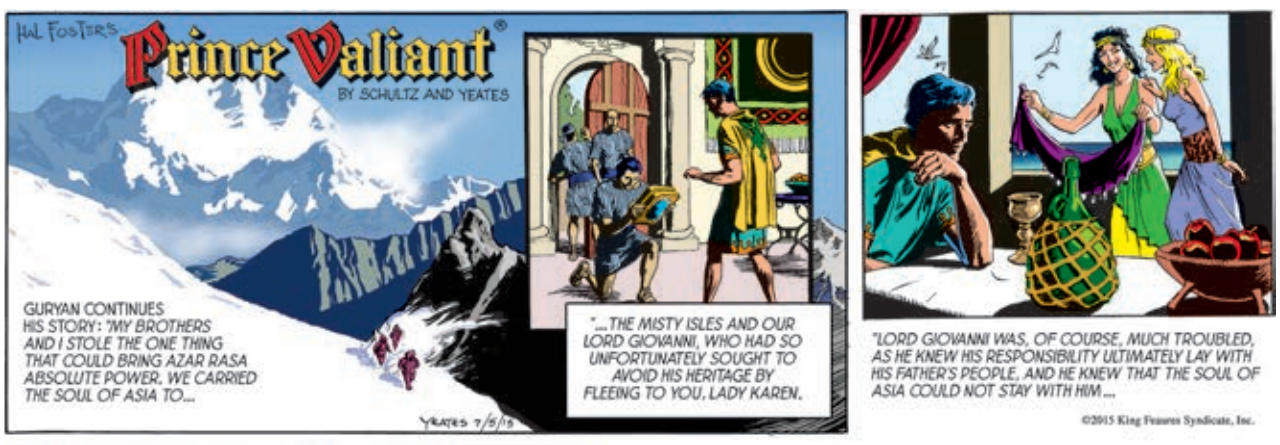
Design a pollinator patch, Sept. 19, 10:30 a.m. to noon, Library Sprague room. Registration required at info@stillwaternativesnursery.com.

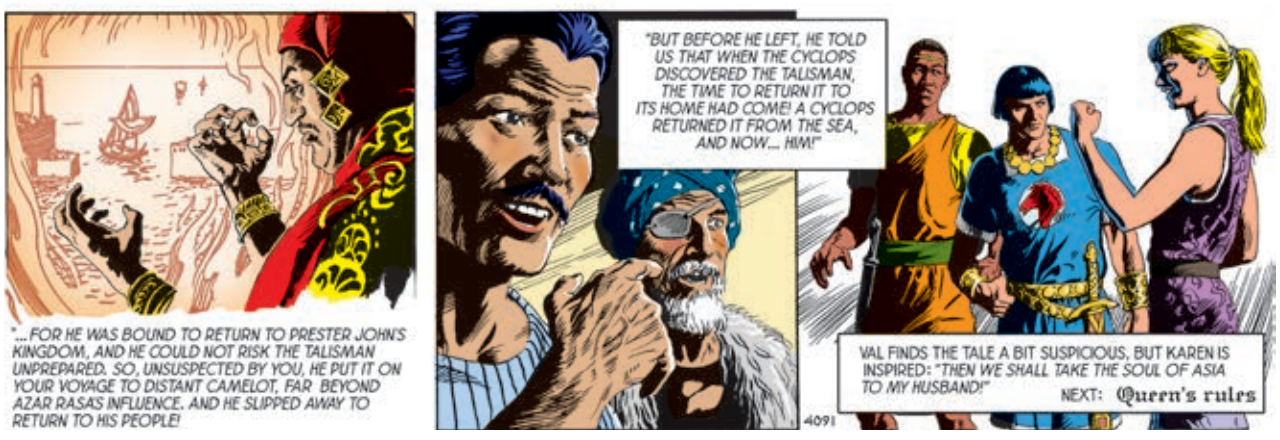
Bandon City Council, Tuesday, Sept. 8, city hall council chambers.

Bandon Inn
Help Wanted!
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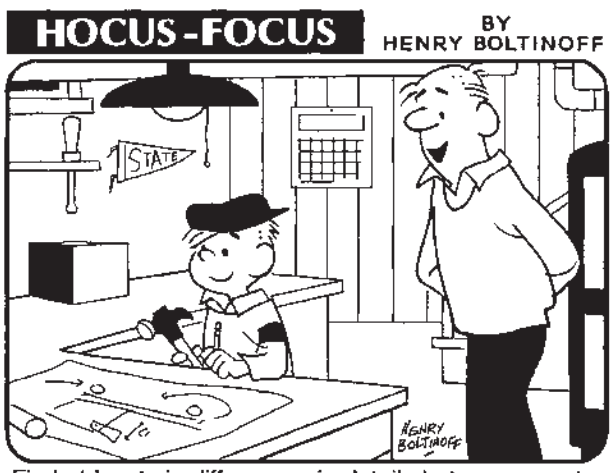




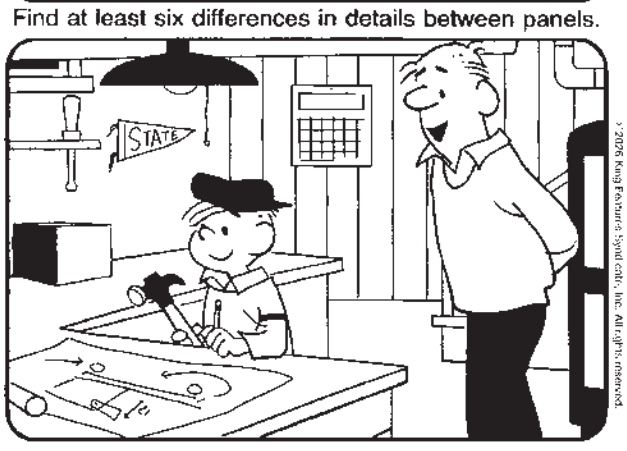




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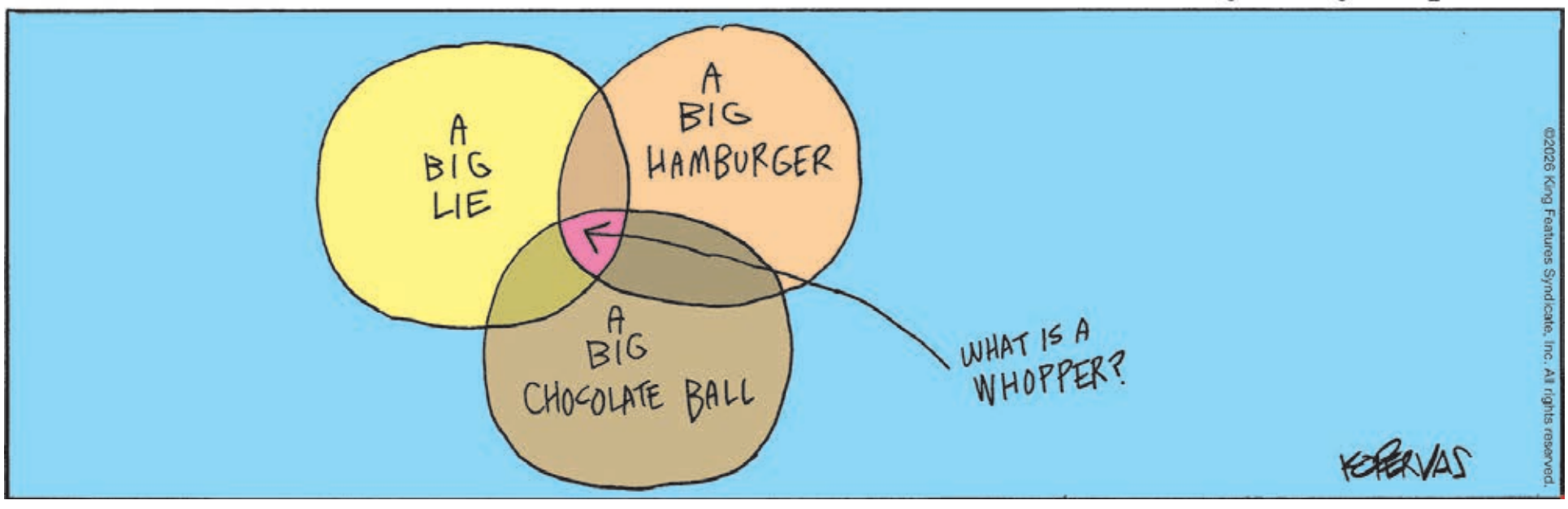


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Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



Obituaries

Hugh McDonald "Don" Rackleff

May 225, 1940 - August 13, 2026



Hugh McDonald "Don" Rackleff, of Yachats, died August 13, 2026.

Don was a spirited storyteller, endlessly curious, brilliantly capable, and a creative problem solver who loved a challenge. He was a gardener, skydiver, free diver, a scientist. He will be deeply missed.

Don was born in Coos Bay, Oregon on May 25, 1940 to Hugh and Betty Rackleff. He joined the army at 18, then worked his way through college, earning his BA in Biology from San Francisco State College. Along the way, he began free diving and spear fishing along the Oregon, Washington, and California coasts, which became a lifelong passion.

He entered a Master of Fisheries program at the University of Washington, piloting vessels up to Alaska and conducting research there as well as Catalina island as dive master on the Te Vega.

Don then moved to Portland, where he worked as a chemist and began to develop an interest in gardening. By 1972, gardening had become more than just a passing hobby and he purchased land up the Yachats river to pursue it full time. There he built a beautiful home using wood off the land and established Ortolan Gardens, one of the coast's first organic market gardens. Beginning at farmers markets, he eventually delivered sustainably farmed vegetables and herbs to restaurants along the Oregon coast for more than 3 decades.

Don loved the oceans and forests of the Oregon coast and delighted in each day he spent outside in his garden. He also loved to travel and sharing his stories and his laugh with those around him.

Don is survived by his wife, Janet Rackleff, of Yachats, his daughter Emily Rackleff, son-in-law Chris Reid and two grandchildren, Rosa and Hugh, of Boston, and a sister, Sally Smith of Canby, as well as nieces, friends, and extended family.

His home and garden are his legacy and a celebration of life will be held at Ortolan Gardens on Sunday, September 27 at 1pm. Please bring a story to share.

Donations can be made to Friends of Family Farms or the Yachats library.

Jane Louise Briggs

April 3, 1947 - July 27, 2026



Jane Louise Briggs was born on April 3, 1947, in McMinnville, Oregon. She passed away peacefully on July 27, 2026, at her home at Evergreen Court in North Bend, Oregon. She lived most of her life in Coos Bay after moving here at age 8. Jane graduated from Marshfield High School in 1965 and then from University of Oregon in 1969 with a degree in Elementary Education. After raising three children, she re-entered the workforce teaching Adult Basic Education at Southwestern Oregon Community College from 1990 to 2012. She went back to school while working and earned her Master's degree in Adult Education from OSU in 2000.

Her job at SWOCC was extremely fulfilling for Jane, as she was, first and foremost, a teacher. She taught all the young people in her life to read as early as possible, believing that reading is the foundation of all success in life, academically and otherwise. She could be an exacting taskmaster, earning her the affectionate nickname of "Sarge" from her adult students, but this discipline was balanced by an extremely kind and generous nature toward those who were struggling or trying to better their life.

Jane was never flashy about how she helped. She just saw a need and did something for another person in a critical moment. Some of our favorite examples are: selling a car at a greatly reduced price to a teenager in need, buying shoes and sundries at Walmart for a food bank customer who had none, anonymously giving grocery money to an adult student in need, and, after her retirement from SWOCC, generously donating time and money to the Food Bank at the Episcopal Church in Coos Bay as well as the Navy League.

Jane is survived by her three children and their families: JJ Briggs and Courtney Monsantofils of Portland, Julie Briggs and Mason Marsh, and their children Cooper and Claire of Washougal, WA, and Jennifer Briggs and Cal Mukumoto and their daughters Kate, Midori, and Rachel, of Silverton, OR, several long-time friends, and her faithful companion, Jemma, aka The Tiniest Dog.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Ross and Evelyn Rudin, her brother David, other long-time friends, and a few decades of cats.

She will be missed for her inquisitive mind, her love of Disneyland and window shopping, her fascination with roadside attractions like the Biggest Ball of Twine, her arcane knowledge of American folklore like Old Dan Tucker, her fascination with colonial life and the American pioneers, her love for travel (mostly to places where they could fill up her Pepsi with enormous quantities of ice), her mind for detail and definitions (a hamburger IS different from a cheeseburger), her sharply defined likes and dislikes (Thanks, but no thanks!), her eccentric interests (taxidermy chickens, hoarders, old-time candies, lobster rolls and lobotomies), her sharp wit, her stubbornness, and most of all for the kindness and generosity she showed to those she loved, and who love her in turn.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the Coos Food Cupboard or another local food bank.

Death Notices

Jerald Francis Lutz, 93, of Coos Bay, passed away on August 20, 2026 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

John Warren Smith, 83, of Coos Bay, passed away August 20, 2026 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 www.coosbayareafunerals.com

Cecil "Andy" Glen Anderson, 86, of North Bend, passed away on August 23, 2026 in North Bend. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

Linda Lee Ogletree-Lewis, 73, of North Bend, passed away on August 24, 2026 in Myrtle Point. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

Donald Trost, 73, of Coos Bay, passed away August 18, 2026 at Coos Bay. Cremation Rites are under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

Louann Davidson, 91, of Coos Bay, passed away August 19, 2026 at North Bend. Cremation Rites are under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

Randall Morton, 71, of Coquille, passed away August 21, 2026 at Coos Bay. Cremation Rites are under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

Jeri Kinney, 71, of North Bend, passed away August 23, 2026 at Coos Bay. Cremation Rites are under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

Joseph A. Moyer, 41, of Aurora, Colorado (formerly of North Bend), passed away July 30, 2026 at Aurora, Colorado. Cremation Rites have been held and interment will be at the Rogue River Cemetery in Gold Beach, Oregon under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

Mary Ann Rohrer, 78, of North Bend, passed away on August 25, 2026 in North Bend. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

Lester "Les" D. Glenn, 75, of North Bend died August 20, 2026 in Coos Bay. Cremation rites have been held at Ocean View Memory Gardens Crematory, Coos Bay under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel 685 Anderson Ave. 541-267-3131. www.coosbayareafunerals.com

Thomas L. Young, 91, of Coos Bay, passed away on August 26, 2026 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

Helen M. Young, 89, of Coos Bay, passed away on August 27, 2026 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

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Oregon weighs enrollment caps, paying for claims as double-digit insurance hikes set for 2027

SHAANTH NANGUNERI
Oregon Capital Chronicle

Oregon insurance regulators have approved premium hikes that could cost individuals and small businesses that buy health insurance through the state marketplace dozens of more dollars per month and are weighing policy changes that would limit availability.

State officials with the Division of Financial Regulation in a news release framed the nearly 22% increase for individuals and 15.5% for small businesses as a win for preserving statewide access to coverage.

The average plan will cost a 40-year-old in Portland seeking a middle-tier insurance policy anywhere from $599 to $734, up from an average $567 for similar plans in the current year. For small group plans, the cost per person for such an individual ranges from $509 to $754, according to state estimates.

Insurance regulators said they made the change after considering new data and updated rate requests from insurance companies to make sure the rates "were actuarially sound and justified based on additional market changes." While they have pointed out that federal cuts have played a significant role in the increases, state regulators also cited other market pressures.

"The finalization of rate orders comes as carriers gained more experience in the market and re-evaluated their market presence," the news release reads. "Continued marketplace uncertainty with the loss of the enhanced federal Affordable Care Act subsidies, heightened medical costs, tariff pressures on durable medical equipment and pharmaceuticals all caused greater cost pressures that were reflected in the rates."

The increased rates prompted three Oregon Democratic lawmakers to issue a press release vowing to work to reduce Oregonians' costs while pointing to federal cuts to health care.

"I'm honestly worried about what this means for Oregon and our ability to provide affordable healthcare," Rep. Rob Nosse, a Portland Democrat who chairs the House Committee on Health Care, said in a statement. "We have tools that can help keep costs down, and we need to use them. At the same time, we need to keep fighting for federal policies that make health care more affordable. We can't keep fighting with one arm tied behind our back."

State regulators pursue reinsurance, potential caps

Financial regulators said they would budget an additional $15 million toward the Oregon Reinsurance Program, which allows the state to help insurers pay for expensive medical claims, to "offset anticipated higher than usual claims costs." The agency will also explore enrollment caps for certain plans to "balance consumer choice with marketwide financial stability."

It's unclear how such caps would operate or what plans they would target. While some states have limited enrollment for state-funded programs, such as health insurance for low-income individuals without legal immigration status, the federal Affordable Care Act ensures access to the marketplace for most Americans during enrollment periods.

Jason Horton, a division spokesperson, told the Capital Chronicle that the agency has not made any final decisions regarding caps, which would be developed in consultation with insurance companies and justified through market data and analytics.

"We don't know when or if that will happen," he wrote in an email.

Agency anticipates little from federal tax and spending law

Expiring tax credits to offset premium costs have been central to the rate increases. Low-income individuals have had access to tax credits since the Affordable Care Act passed, and Congress expanded income caps in 2021 to address the fallout of the COVID-19 pandemic. That meant most of the nearly 120,000 Oregonians who purchase individual coverage through the marketplace have had help with more affordable insurance.

But Congress opted against extending the COVID-era enhanced tax credits last year. Now, people who make more than 400% of the federal poverty level, or $63,840 for an individual's annual income and $132,000 for a household of four people, no longer qualify for these subsidies. They continue to remain in place for individuals who make anywhere from 100% to 400% of the federal poverty level.

Another provision from the GOP's 2025 federal tax and spending law will also bar people who are kicked off of Medicaid due to new rules from qualifying for these subsidies. The law's requirements mandate that people work, volunteer, train or go to school for at least 80 hours a month along with income verification reviews every six months for most individuals. The Oregon Health Authority anticipates implementing these changes next year.

Under the 2025 law, people who lose Medicaid for not meeting work requirements become ineligible for marketplace

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

THE LIBERTY THEATRE: THE CURIOUS INCIDENT OF THE DOG IN THE NIGHT-TIME SEPTEMBER 18-27, 7:00 PM, MATINEES @ 2:00 PM LIBERTY THEATRE, 2100 SHERMAN AVE, NORTH BEND
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SEPTEMBER 19-20
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Oregon lawmaker says she'll push for more cannabis regulations in 2027 to protect kids

MIA MALDONADO
Oregon Capital Chronicle

Karma Clarke, a Douglas County mother, thought marijuana was harmless in 2014 when she voted in favor of the ballot measure legalizing recreational cannabis in Oregon.

She believed that until six years later, when her then-20-year-old son began smoking marijuana regularly.

He had played sports and maintained good grades in college, but when he returned home after completing his associate degree, Clarke said her son began acting strangely. He stopped leaving his room, and he lost the ability to perform everyday tasks such as reading a tape measure or answering questions.

After several doctor visits, her son was admitted in two different psychiatric hospitalizations. Although his drug tests came back clean, something had switched in his brain, she said.

Clarke shared her story of witnessing her son develop a psychotic disorder at a virtual meeting Wednesday, where state Sen. Lisa Reynolds, D-Portland, invited her and public health experts to speak about policy proposals aimed at preventing youth access to cannabis.

"I'm hoping that the cannabis industry will take the lead, and they'll decide they don't want to be like the tobacco industry and they don't want to keep denying that there's a link between their products and people's lives being ruined," Clarke said.

Reynolds looks to THC caps again, and more warning labels

Recreational cannabis has been legal in Oregon for adults 21 and older for more than a decade, but it remains illegal for minors. Still, an estimated 13,000 youth between ages 12 and 18 use cannabis in Oregon, according to Dr. Julia Dilley, a Multnomah County epidemiologist who led a 10-year study looking at cannabis legalization and public health impact in Oregon and Washington.

Reynolds, a pediatrician who has served in the Legislature for five years, is seeking to improve cannabis prevention education in schools, cap individual edibles at 10 milligrams of THC and require manufacturers provide more warning labels on their products.

Reynolds' efforts are inspired by her work as a pediatrician, and because she believes her brother's habitual marijuana use in the '70s contributed to his severe mental health problems as an adult.

Teens using cannabis are at 11 times higher risk of developing a psychotic disorder compared to teens not using cannabis, studies show.

"When we talk about the risk of psychosis, this isn't just what we would call a bad experience while you are actually intoxicated by cannabis," Reynolds said. "This is a long-term disability."

Additionally, more children are turning up in hospitals after consuming edibles resembling desserts such as brownies or cookies.

She spearheaded legislation earlier this year to cap individual edibles at 10 milligrams of THC. Her bill made it past the Oregon Senate, but it died in the committee process on the House side as members received intense pushback from marijuana industry groups. Reynolds said she'll propose the legislation again, but this time with the help of a lobbyist.

The Cannabis Industry Alliance of Oregon did not immediately respond to the Capital Chronicle's request for comment.

Oregon is one of the most loosely regulated marijuana states

More than 800 calls since 2025 to the Oregon Poison Center were related to cannabis, said Dilley, the Multnomah County epidemiologist. One-third of those calls were for children younger than 5.



Julia Shumway / Oregon capital Chronicle
Sen. Lisa Reynolds, D-Portland, introduced a bill in the 2026 legislative session to prohibit marijuana retailers from selling individual edibles with more than 10 milligrams. That effort failed, but Reynolds said she'll try again in 2027.

Cannabis use among youth is higher in Oregon than it is in Washington because it doesn't have the same protective measures, she said.

Unlike Washington which requires that cannabis manufacturers individually wrap all edibles with a 10 milligram THC cap, Oregon cannabis manufacturers can sell individual edibles with more than 10 milligrams of THC, such as sodas or cookies containing 100 milligrams of THC that are meant to be split into several portions. Both states require an edible package contain no more than 100 milligrams of THC.

Unlike Oregon, it's illegal to grow nonmedical marijuana at home in Washington. Washington also caps the number of retail cannabis outlets and applies a 37% sales tax. Oregon's cannabis sales tax ranges from 17% to 20%, depending on where it's bought. Both states require cannabis businesses to be located at least 1,000 feet away from public schools. Washington requires this buffer also apply to private schools, playgrounds, childcare facilities, libraries and other locations, though Oregon localities can establish additional buffers under state law.

Oregon does require warning labels on cannabis products related to pregnancy. These labels are working and preventing people from using cannabis during pregnancy, Dilley said, adding that Oregon could go a step further at providing more warning labels about cannabis use contributing to worse mental health outcomes.

"These products should not be designed or marketed to appeal to children," pediatrician Dr. Jill Pearson said. "Yet, time and time again, we are just repeating Joe Camel, Big Tobacco and all the things all over again to addict the next generation."

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subsidies.

Democrats and eligibility workers have said the new federal law will result in a less efficient system that will make it harder for people who qualify to access Medicaid. In Oregon, people making up to 138% of the federal poverty level, or $22,024.80 for an individual, qualify for Medicaid.

Horton said the rising premiums approved by the state are not directly related to work requirements from the federal tax and spending law. People who are covered by Medicaid cannot simultaneously qualify for tax credits on the marketplace for subsidized plans.

"Some individuals who lose Medicaid may choose to pick up unsubsidized individual market coverage," Horton said. "However, we expect this to be a small number of individuals."

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