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COVID cases continue to surge in county

BY DAVID RUPKALVIS

The World

With Coos County in its worst surge in the COVID pandemic, local health leaders are begging people to wear masks, social distance and get vaccinated.

"It has a pretty clear correlation between masks and high vaccination rates," said Dr. Eric Gleason, assistant director of Coos Health & Wellness. "You

can see a significant increase with no masks and a low vaccination rate."

As of Thursday, there were 470 active COVID cases in the county with 12 people hospitalized. Five people with COVID have died in the last week, bringing the total since the pandemic began to 46 deaths. An additional 244 people are currently being monitored after close contact with someone who tested positive.

"This is August 19, and we have had 564 cases in August," Gleason said. "This is primarily the unvaccinated population. This is really preventable for the most part. When you're unvaccinated and you get COVID, you can take it to others. We have a ton of cases out there that are from the unvaccinated population."

Gleason said in Coos County, 12.5 percent of the positive cases are among people who are

fully vaccinated. None of the recent deaths has been someone fully vaccinated.

While Gleason acknowledged some people are strongly anti-mask and against the vaccine, he said the proof is in the numbers.

"People with eyes and ears can see there's a correlation," Gleason said. "I can't make you believe science. These are the numbers. This is just what it is." Coos Health & Wellness

recently issued a directive encouraging people to wear masks, social distance, wash hands and take other precautions to control the COVID surge. So are people doing as asked?

"I would say they probably are not following it," Gleason said. "All we can do is try to give you the guidance you need to keep the community safe. Until we

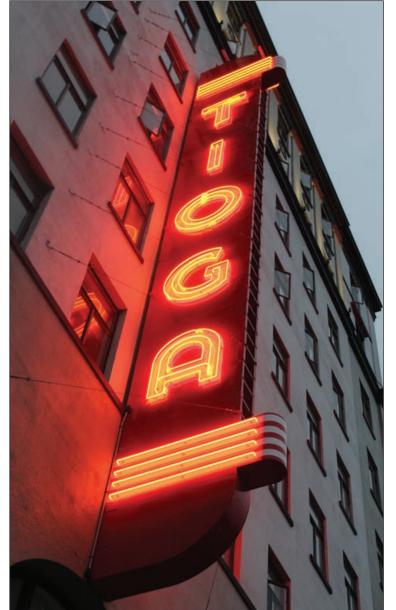
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Tioga coming back to life



Photos by David Rupkalvis/The World

After close to two years of work, one of Coos Bay's most recognizable buildings is coming back to life. On Thursday, one of the more significant moments during the revitalization of the Tioga happened when Mayor Joe Benetti flipped the switch to turn on the building's neon light for the first time in around 20 years. The sign was on the building when it first opened as the Tioga Hotel in 1949 and was painted green years later. As part of the revitalization by Rob Crocker and Chris Evanston, the sign was painted in its original color and 70 percent of the neon tubes were replaced by Art Signs in Coos Bay. The sign will use photocell technology to light up every night as it gets dark.



Myrtle Point man facing child porn charges

BY DAVID RUPKALVIS The World

A Myrtle Point man is facing 28 felony charges after child porn was allegedly found in his possession.

William Leroy Ashley, who was born in 1982, is facing 14 charges of encouraging child sexual abuse in the first degree and 14 charges of encouraging child sexual abuse in the second degree.

Assistant District Attorney Jody Newby said the charges are due to 14 images found on electronic devices Ashley owned.

A person can be found guilty of encouraging child sexual abuse in the first degree if the person knowingly attempts to share, duplicate or make child pornography. A first-degree offense is a Class B felony. A charge in the second degree is used when the suspect uses the images for personal gratification. A second-degree

offense is a Class C felony. Ashley was indicted July 13 and arraigned July 22. A not guilty plea was entered on his behalf and he received

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Stephens chosen to serve on city council

BY DAVID RUPKALVIS The World

COOS BAY - A community leader with a history of volunteering was chosen to be the next member of the Coos Bay City Council.

The council chose Sara Stephens to replace former Council President Phil Marler, who resigned from the council due to the fact his family is moving.

Marler announced he was leaving two months ago, and the council decided to choose a replacement. Mayor Joe Benetti announced four people applied to be on the council, and the council members met in executive session Tuesday to interview the candidates. After the interviews, the council members wrote their choices on paper, with Stephens receiving the most votes.

Stephens has lived in the area for eight years and serves as the executive director of the South Coast Regional Early Learning Hub. Stephens serves as board chair for United Way and was a volunteer member of the city's budget committee. She will be sworn in during the council's first meeting in September.

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Vaccination mandates implemented

Health care workers, K-12 school staff now mandated to get vaccinated

By JEREMY C. RUARK The World

Governor Kate Brown has announced two new vaccination measures to address Oregon's hospital crisis, caused by the Delta variant surge.

Brown said the measures will help keep Oregon students safe in the upcoming school year and minimize disruptions to in-person instruction.

Oregon's vaccination requirement for health care workers will no longer have a testing alternative. Health care workers will be required to be fully vaccinated by October 18 or six weeks after full FDA approval, whichever is later.

All teachers, educators, support staff, and volunteers in K-12 schools will be required to be fully vaccinated by October 18 or six weeks after full FDA approval, whichever is later.

Brown made the announcement during a Thursday, Aug. 19, media briefing.

"With over 845 Oregonians hospitalized from COVID-19 and 226 Oregonians in our ICU's (intensive care units), our hospital and ICU beds are over 93% full," Brown said. "Overwhelmingly, the Oregonians who are being hospitalized or who are dying from COVID-19 are unvaccinated."

"Our hospital system is on the

verge of collapse," Oregon Health Authority Director Patrick Allen said. "Patients are spending days in emergency rooms because critical care beds aren't available. Patients are parked in hallways

and staffing is critically short." Allen said more than a quarter of the adult population remains

unvaccinated. "This triple grip of the Delta variant is tightening," Oregon State Epidemiologist Dean

Sidelinger said. St. Charles Medical Center Bend's Chief Physician Jeff Absalon also joined the Zoom media briefing.

"I can't overstate this," Absalon said. "What we are going through right now is unimaginable. We are overwhelmed and this is really a dire situation."

Absalon said health care workers are suffering from moral injury because they are not able to care for their patients due to the surge.

Brown said the state doesn't have enough health care professionals to treat patients.

"We are all at risk right now when our hospitals are full," Brown said. "There may not be a hospital bed for you if you have an unexpected emergency. When ambulances have no where to go, people die fro preventable deaths."

Brown said she is deploying



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Governor Kate Brown earlier this week addressing the new vaccine mandates.

all available resources to help, including deploying the National Guard and nurse strike teams, establishing temporary decompression units to free up bed space and removing barriers to discharging patients who no longer require hospital-level care.

Oregon has made requests to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and

the Biden-Harris administration, Brown said, for additional federal resources and support. Brown has formed a Hospital Care Prevention and Response group consisting of health care stakeholders to problem solve in real time and suggest new measures to aid health care workers and hospitals during the ongo-

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Photo gallery: Sights and sounds at county fair Photo gallery: Bandon Museum open again

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Community Calendar of Events

What: Coos Bay Farmers Market When: 9 a.m.-2 p.m. every Wednesday Where: Central Avenue, downtown

You Should Know: Dozens of vendors will sell a variety of wares ranging from fresh produce and plants to homemade soaps and clothes. Food trucks and other food items will also be available. The farmers market runs each Wednesday through October 27.

What: Reedsport Planning **Commission Public Hearing**

When: 6 p.m., August 24

Where: City Hall conference room, 451 Winchester Avenue

You Should Know: The commission will host a public hearing to consider an application by Reedsport Properties NV to partition a 17-acre parcel at Masters Way and North 20th Street into three lots.

What: Building Healthy Meals on a **Budget**

When: Noon-1 p.m., August 25. Where: Virtually via Zoom. Register at https://is.gd/gpEMWe

You Should Know: Coos Bay Public Library will co-host the class with Natural Grocers' Nutritional Health Coach Cheryl O'Dell, MSN. Discover the importance of getting off the blood sugar roller coaster using high-quality proteins, fats and carbohydrates to build healthy and delicious meals.

What: Lawn games in the park

When: 1-3 p.m., August 25 and 27 Where: Mingus Park on August 25 and Sunset Middle School on August 27

You Should Know: Enjoy lawn games from the Library of Things from the Coos Bay Public Library. Ring toss, corn hole, croquet and other lawn games will be available for play. Although the program is geared towards kids and families, all ages welcome. No lawn game experience necessary. Masks are encouraged.

What: Taking Care of Business XII

When: 5 p.m., August 26 Where: North Bend Lanes and Back Alley Pub and Grill



Blackberry Arts Festival

When: August 28-29 Where: Downtown Coos Bay

You Should Know: After being forced to close in 2020, the annual Blackberry Arts Festival will return this month. From jams and jellies to candy, baked goods and wine, the festival is a celebration of the blackberry. There will be more than 100 artists, vendors and artisans showcasing their wares.

You Should Know: Bay Area Chamber of Commerce will host its 12th business networking event with a night of food, fun and bowling. Sign up online: https:// placefull.com/taking-care-of-business-xii.

What: Community Cooking with the Co-op

When: 5:30 p.m., August 26 Where: Virtually via Zoom. Register at https://is.gd/va3Wd9

You Should Know: Coos Bay Library has teamed up with Coos Head Food Co-op's Outreach Coordinator, Jamar, to provide safe, easy, and healthy recipes to create at home.

What: Backpack Giveaway When: 9 a.m.-noon, August 28

You Should Know: Coos Elderly Services and Connections Community Church will be giving away 4,000 backpacks full of school supplies. This

will be a drive-up event and students must

What: Introduction to crabbing When: 9-11 a.m., September 1

Where: Meet at Charleston Visitors

Center

You Should Know: Visitors are invited to learn about the amazing life cycle of crabs, their importance to the local economy and discover the various techniques for capturing this delectable crustacean. Attendees are encouraged to dress for the weather. Registered participants will meet at the Charleston

Visitors Center. Registration is required, and the event is limited to six participants. Information: Visit www. southsloughestuary.org

What: Spanglish with library When: Noon to 1 p.m., September 1 Where: Virtual meeting via Zoom.

Register at https://is.gd/QCvWD8 You Should Know: Spanglish is for those who wish to practice their Spanish conversational skills and help other learners in a friendly setting. Attendees will have the opportunity to converse in Spanish as a group for one hour in a casual, informal environment. This is not a class, but there will be ideas for conversational topics. Beginners are welcome.

What: First Tuesday Talks When: 6:30 p.m., September 7 Where: Coos History Museum

You Should Know: Eric Clough will discuss Bicycle Power: Past, Present and Future. Join Clough as he explores the history of the bicycle, the present condition of bicycle culture here in the Coos, and advocacy for the possibilities of a deeper reliance on pedal power locally. The miraculous invention of the bicycle goes back to early 19th Century.

What: Community Yoga with Kelli When: 6 p.m., September 8

Where: Virtually via Zoom. Register at https://is.gd/bNva2A

You Should Know: Coos Bay Public Library, in partnership with yoga instructor, Kelli Bosak, will co-host Community Yoga. Bosak has been practicing yoga and mindfulness for over 15 years.

What: Unlimited Book Club

When: 6 p.m., September 9 Where: Virtually via Zoom. Register at https://is.gd/dzviPh

You Should Know: The Unlimited Book Club is a joint venture of Coos History Museum, Coos Bay Public Library and North Bend Public Library. It was formed to encourage awareness and foster community discussions on equity, diversity and inclusion through reading.



Stephens

During his final meeting, the city council recognized Marler for his years of service to the city.

"Thank you for all you've done," Benetti said. Marler said he has had

time to figure out how to say goodbye, but finding the right words was difficult.

"I've been thinking for several days about what I might say, and I can't find the words," Marler said. "What a fantastic group of people. This city is so blessed to have this staff, the council and all the

other committees."

Marler said the members of the city council are special because no one has the wrong motive for serving.

"It's been an honor to serve," he said. "This entire council loves this city and wants to do what's best for the city. Sometimes we disagree, but we always

keep in mind we want what's best for the city."

While Marler will be leaving Coos Bay, he said he might return.

"It's been a pleasure, and it's been a real honor," he said. "Who knows, you may see me pop in here one Tuesday evening and heckle you from the cheap seats."



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Jordan Cove LNG forfeits permits required for export terminal

Pembina is now missing three additional permits needed to construct the Jordan Cove LNG export terminal and fracked gas pipeline. As of this week, Pembina missed deadlines to reapply for four crucial land use permits that were remanded by the Oregon Land Use Board of Appeals earlier this year. The company is also missing other critical state and local permits that it cannot move forward without.

The four land use permits, which have been opposed by local fishermen, marine biologists, impacted landowners and other South Coast community members, were approved in 2019 by Coos County and the city of North Bend to allow the development of the LNG export terminal along the North Spit and hydraulic drilling in the bay to place four miles of the associated pipeline.

Plaintiffs Oregon Shores

Conservation Coalition, represented by the nonprofit Crag Law Center, and Citizens for Renewables, represented by Southern Oregon-based attorney Tonia Moro, challenged the approval of these permits and many more in appeals to LUBA. In the last year, LUBA has remanded four permits and reversed a handful of permits. For the remanded permits, the company was required to request rehearings from the local planning commissions by 180 days from the LUBA order date. Because the company missed the deadlines, the permits are revoked.

"LUBA confirmed our challenges that these wrongly 'rubber-stamped' land use approvals by Coos County and North Bend were not in line with land use codes for protecting the Coos Estuary. The proposed Jordan Cove LNG project would have negatively impacted our

bay, the fishing, crabbing, clamming, oyster and recreation industries, along with our communities' safety," said Jody McCaffree, executive director for Citizens for Renewables, a community organization in North Bend. "For Pembina to outright miss these deadlines after not showing their faces in town for months means that they have finally seen the light that we are dedicated to appealing their inappropriately sited proposed Jordan Cove LNG project."

For over a decade, hundreds of Coos County community members have attended meetings, written comments, spoke at public hearings and hosted rallies and educational events to oppose local land use permits for the Jordan Cove LNG export terminal and pipeline.

If Pembina chooses to move the Jordan Cove LNG export terminal and pipeline forward, it

would need to restart the entire land use permitting process. which takes years. Additionally, to reapply for these permits, Pembina would need to address concerns that LUBA raised about how the 300-yard long tankers would impact the fishing industry's access in the bay, impacts of large-scale dredging to the estuary and the public safety concerns of building an explosive terminal near a population of over 30,000 people.

"The fact that Pembina didn't try to challenge the rejection of these permits demonstrates that they should never have been granted in the first place," said Phillip Johnson, executive director of Oregon Shores Conservation Coalition.

"The Jordan Cove LNG project is inappropriate for many reasons, but one is the devastating impact it would have on the Coos Bay estuary, its resources and the community that depends

on them. Our land-use laws worked the way they should to prevent this misbegotten development."

Jordan Cove LNG also lacks the necessary state permits to move forward. Additionally, community and environmental organizations are challenging the project's approval from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in DC Circuit Court. The project currently has no viable path forward.

"Because our community continues to come together to protect our bay, Pembina's plans to export fracked gas from the North Spit are dying," said Ashley Audycki, Coos County field organizer with Rogue Climate. "While Jordan Cove LNG remains in limbo, our community is focusing on supporting our local fishing industry and creating good jobs in clean energy and energy efficiency.'

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can get those unvaccinated folks to listen, I don't know what we're going to do."

He explained natural immunity for those who catch COVID lasts only around 90 days. The vaccine is going strong at eight months, although some people have been urged to get a booster shot.

With a variety of public events planned in the near

future, Gleason said unless the COVID surge is under control, the events may not happen. On Thursday, the Coos Bay Downtown Association announced the Blackberry Arts Festival scheduled at the end of August was being cancelled.

"I think it's a sad state of affairs these events may need to get cancelled," Gleason said. "Large groups of folks who refuse to wear masks kind of like you saw at the commissioners' meeting - it's lunacy."

Gleason said one area that the county is seeing a surprise increase in numbers is among children. Since August 1, 77 people under the age of 19 have been confirmed as COVID positive. With school scheduled to begin in weeks, Gleason said the districts are

COVID precautions. "I think the schools are going to do their very best to keep our youth safe," Gleason said. "We've seen some youth cases, and we

preparing to start with strong

will see some more. If they want to see kids in school, they need to be masked."

Gleason said the key moving forward is to wear masks and to get as many people vaccinated as possible. Vaccines are available at almost every clinic and every pharmacy in the region, and there is no charge.

For a list of sites to get tested for COVID-19 as well as a list of sites to receive the vaccine, visit www. cooshealthandwellness.org.

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Pond said the ONA

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ing-hospital crisis.

'We cannot wait for help to come," Brown said. "We must proactively implement solutions right now."

Brown said additional health and safety restrictions may be needed.

"All options are on the table," she said. "The best way to keep businesses open and families working is to get vaccinated," she said.

Sidelinger said the pandemic isn't confined to unvaccinated adults.

"Children are getting sick with COVID-19 in Oregon," he said. "Pediatric cases are highest among 12 to 17 year olds."

Oregon Education Department Director Colt Gill explained that protocols put into place last year at Oregon's schools are an effective protection for students.

'Face coverings, social distancing and other practiced protocols are in place and we are encouraging students who are eligible to get vaccinated."

In responding to re-

porters questions about mandating vaccinations for eligible students, Brown said, all options are on the table.

"We are exploring every possibility," she said.

Brown, Slidelinger, Allen, Gill and Absalon all urged people who have not been vaccinated to get vaccinated.

Reaction

The Oregon Education Association President Reed Scott-Schwalbach released the following statement in part following Brown's announcement.

"OEA believes that today's vaccine requirement will help provide stability for our students this fall and will help improve safety in our schools and in our communities. The science on this issue is clear. Vaccines, coupled with other proven public health mitigation strategies, are the best way to ensure our schools stay open and are a safe place for students to learn and for educators to teach.

"We urge districts throughout the state to work collaboratively with educators on how this

mandate is implemented at the local level and to continue efforts to maintain additional public health mitigation strategies such as the use of personal protective equipment, frequent testing, social distancing, ensuring proper ventilation and frequent disinfecting in our public schools."

Oregon Nurses Association President Linda Pond said the new state mandate will likely increase vaccination rates among those workers but will also put additional pressure on an already dangerous nurse staffing crisis in Oregon. Pond said some health care workers opposed to the vaccine mandates will leave the profession before accepting a mandate.

"Governor Brown's previous rule that required weekly testing with a waiver for health care workers who show proof of vaccination was a reasonable compromise that encouraged vaccination while protecting public health," Pond said. "We call on hospitals and health systems to focus on nurse retention and recruitment, invest in health care workers serving on the front-

uncommon, either. "I handle a handful of

these a year," she said. "There's definitely a couple a year."

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a \$50,000 bail. Ashley posted bail and was released.

Newby said a change of plea hearing in the case is scheduled September 7. In the hearing, which is normal in the Oregon

Judicial System, a number of things can happen.

During the hearing, the could be a change of plea, either the prosecution or defense can ask for a delay or a trial date can be set.

Newby said while child porn charges are not something she sees every day, they are not that



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the Douglas County "Bid Documents" webpage: https:// douglascounty- oregon.us/ Bids.aspx . It is the bidder's responsibility to monitor the website. Contract Documents for this Project, including the Instructions to Bidders and Bid Form, may be examined at the following locations: (1) Salmon Harbor Marina Office, 100 Ork Rock Road, Winchester Bay, Oregon 97467; (2) the office of the Architect, HGE Architects, Inc., 333 South 4th Street, Coos Bay, Oregon, phone: 541- 269-1166. email: general@hge1.com; and (3) HGE website: http:// www.hge1.com/- biddingarea/. Prospective bidders are encouraged to contact HGE, Inc. by phone or email to register their interest in submitting a bid and to be included in the plan holders' list. Prospective bidders that are registered on the plan holders' list will receive all bidding information, including any issued addenda. One set of drawings, specifications and contract documents may be obtained by prime bidders from HGE, Inc. upon a refundable deposit of \$100. This Project is a public work as defined by ORS 279C.800(6) (a). No bid will be received or considered unless the bid states that the bidder will comply with ORS 279C.800 to 279C.870 concerning payment of prevailing wage rates for public works contracts and unless the bid is accompanied

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by a surety bond of 10% of the amount bid. Per ORS 279C.385, bid security is to be forfeited as fixed and liquidated damage should the bidder neglect or refuse to enter into a contract and provide suitable insurance certificates, bonds and other required documents for the faithful performance of the work in the event bidder is awarded the contract. No bids will be considered unless fully completed in the manner provided in the Instructions to Bidders upon the official bid form provided by Douglas County, within the Project Manual. Pursuant to ORS 279C.836, the contractor and every subcontractor must have a public works bond in the amount of \$30,000.00 filed with the Construction Contractors Board before starting work on the project, unless exempt under ORS 279C.836 (7) or (8). No bid will be received or considered unless the bidder is registered with the Construction Contractor's Board pursuant to ORS Chapter 701. A license for abatement of ashestos issued pursuant to ORS 468A.720 et seq. is not required. A bid must include a statement on whether or not the bidder is a "resident bidder" as defined in ORS 279A.120. Either the Bidder or a Contractor engaged by the

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and any other Applicable Laws. In accordance with ORS 279C.370, within two (2) working hours after the date and time of the deadline when the bids are due, a bidder shall submit to the Contract Administrator, a disclosure of the first-tier subcontractors that will be furnishing labor or will be furnishing labor and materials in connection with this public improvement; and that will have a contract value that is equal to or greater than five percent (5%) of the total project bid or \$15,000, whichever is greater, or \$350,000 regardless of the percentage of the total project bid. The disclosure of first-tier subcontractors shall include the name of each subcontractor, the category of work that each subcontractor will perform and the dollar value of each subcontract. The Board of Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive technicalities, and to award the contract to the lowest responsive responsible bidder. The Board of Commissioners may reject any bid not in compliance with all prescribed public contracting procedures and requirements and may reject all bids upon a finding that it is in the public interest to do so. By: Jim Zimmer, Harbor Manager **Douglas County** Published: August 20 and August 24, 2021 The World & ONPA (ID:323435)

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NOTICE OF SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET HEARING

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the Work under the criteria

stated in ORS 279C.375,

A public hearing on a proposed supplemental budget for Coos County, State of Oregon, for the current fiscal year, will be held at the Owen Building Conference Room, 201 N. Adams St., Coquille, Oregon. The hearing will take place on the 7th day of September, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. The purpose of the hearing is to discuss the supplemental budget with interested persons. A copy of the supplemental budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after September 7th, 2021 at the Treasurer's Office, 250 North Baxter Street, Coquille, Oregon between the hours of 9 a.m. to Noon and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED BUDGET CHANGES

AMOUNTS SHOWN ARE REVISED TOTALS IN THOSE FUNDS BEING MODIFIED

GENERAL FUND

Resources	Amount	Requirements	Amount						
Services to County Departments	3,273,200	Loans to Other Funds	3,273,200						
Revised Total Fund Resources	36,314,191	Revised Total Fund Expenditures	36,314,191						
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Loan from General Fund for the purchase of forest land.

COUNTY FOREST RESERVE FUND

Resources	Amount	Requirements	Amount
Loan from General Fund	3,273,200	Construction & Acquisition – Capital Outlay	2,169,014
		Repay Loan/General Fund – Debt Service	1,104,186
Revised Total Fund Resources	6,760,406	Revised Total Fund Expenditures	6,760,406

Loan from General Fund for the purchase of forest land.

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Letters to the Editor

Not everything is a right

What a very sad display of leadership and community control at the meeting At the Owen Building on August 21. A small unruly mob descended on the meeting to promote their nonsense about no maska and vaccines and to cause trouble.

Sweet and Cribbins were just carrying out county policy by wearing mask. Main however was not masked and just sit there letting the mob take control of a county meeting. Where was law enforcement? Why was Main allowed to not wear his mask? If he can't abide by county rules, then why is he even a commissioner?

As the Delta strain cripples the county, state and nation how can these nutty wackos claim there right to infect more people, some who will die from a disease that has a very effective safe vaccine. Personal rights don't include spreading a deadly disease to you friends and neighbors.

> **Dianne Crowford** Coquille

Another side to short-term rentals

I write to counter comments made at a city council meeting regarding short-term rentals.

We have been hosting since 2017. We have 1,000 reviews. Since each review typically represents two guests and not everyone submits a review, it's safe to say we have had well over a thousand visitors.

I can count on one hand the experiences we've had with what we call "challenging" guests. There's never been a party, a parking issue or one single complaint from our neighbors.

I would suggest that concerns expressed in the article are overblown. Our guests are regular people, but given an opportunity to converse, they are, to a person, fascinating people, with stories to tell: A French trapeze artist; a Chinese accounting professor with her non-English-speaking husband who described life under an authoritarian government; a young Japanese woman (with limited English) who came to study at SWOCC and is now pursuing her master's at Columbia. We had an accountant from Moscow who brought her Siberian mother to visit all national parks in the western U.S.; a man our age (70+) from Trieste, bicycling from Canada to Mexico. There have been few international guests since COVID, but our American guests have been no less interesting. We had a man who left an engineering career to become a "professional bubbler," doing shows demonstrating the science of bubbles. We've had several people moving to the area needing a place while they sought permanent housing, and

many "travelers" - nurses, physical and occupational therapists no lease required and everything provided. We just had a young man, an opera singer and two sons, 8 and 3, stay for two weeks. Last year they came for one. They come here because we are affordable.

Our guests eat in local restaurants and shop in our stores. They are astounded at the beauty of our coastline and forests. I understand the need to regulate short-term rentals, but please do not regulate them out of business. They provide an affordable opportunity for people from all over the world to explore, appreciate and favorably advertise our area. And we should be welcoming them.

> Kate Packard and John Anderson North Bend

Just do it

Tens of millions of people would be ecstatic if all it took to protect their children, spouse and other loved ones from death, lifelong damage to their health and bodies, was to wear a mask or get a shot.

There are people in our community who are very upset about the requirement to wear a mask because of the discomfort and inconvenience, infringing on their "freedom." They are very upset about being urged and encouraged to get vaccinated because it takes away their "freedom."

The hidden word in freedom is responsibility. The responsibility to protect their children and other loved ones. Their responsibility to the rest of us in our community to protect us and fight against the spread this virulent disease.

Everywhere that mask wearing and distancing was implemented, the spread of the disease was greatly diminished. There were places where it was almost eliminated before there was a vaccine. There has been a remarkable, historic world-wide effort to create these vaccines. They are safe. They are effective

No matter what bogus information is being spread, over 90% of the people now being infected with COVID have not been vaccinated. This is a real number and the real situation. Our health care system is being overwhelmed by people who have ignored their responsibility to their families and community. Their thoughtless behavior is putting the rest of us at risk if we might need a hospital bed for a life-threatening condition.

This is, in our lifetime, an unprecedented moment. We must think about what the effect of our actions and behavior is on our families and community.

> Richard Kuznitsky North Bend

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GUEST COLUMNS

More than ever, we need to live up to their legacy

By Joseph Reagan

Over the past few days, I have had an opportunity to chat with several fellow veterans, service members, military family members and Gold Star families. It is beyond the obvious in saying that the past few days have been extraordinarily difficult for those with a personal connection to our mission in Afghanistan. My wife Tiffany and I are no different.

Earlier this week, a CNN reporter broadcast from a base in Andar, Afghanistan – this was a base that my soldiers and I built, it's the base where I was wounded in 2006. Seeing it on the screen brought back a lot of memories – good and bad. When we first secured Andar, we were using an open space adjacent to the district center compound where I lived with the local governor to land helicopters. Unbeknownst to us – that open space was a cemetery.

One day, the elder approaches me and says you're landing helicopters in our cemetery, and this is deeply disrespectful. We talked for hours and right as the villagers and the elders were satisfied that we intended no harm and that we had agreed on a new place to land helicopters, I heard the distinct sound of a far-off Chinook Helicopter. Despite my best efforts to wave them off, two giant Chinook's land right in front of us in the cemetery, sandblasting the entire group of gathered elders in the process and effectively undoing all the goodwill I had just spent hours building. Of the 847 days I spent serving in Afghanistan, every. single. one. was like that day. A few steps forward, a few steps back.

In my conversations with fellow veterans, their memories are about the same. The question that keeps coming up: was this worth it?

Unfortunately, most are having a hard time answering that question. There's a term for that, Moral Injury. Moral Injury is the mind's response to actions or memories that are in violation of a person's values and beliefs – some might say it's an injury to your soul. For 20 years, the full weight of the War on Terror fell on the shoulders of less than 1% of us. 2.7 million Americans voluntarily answered the call to serve, .7% of the U.S. population to be precise. 7,057 never came home, another 30,177 came home only to take their own lives.

Since 9/11/01, my generation of veterans has been fortunate to have a grateful nation behind us - I attribute this to our Vietnam and Korean War veterans who after 9/11 were adamant that my generation received a proper welcome home and proper access to care, something many of them never received. Believe me when I say, ALL of us appreciate that gratitude – but over the past few days the resounding impression I get from talking to my fellow veterans is that "thank you for your service" has lost its meaning. Many veterans have begun to see this as a hollow or superficial gesture, people say it because that's what you're supposed to say.

Like most veterans, on my right wrist I wear a silver bracelet. I have a collection of them, but they all look the same. Most people assume it's a medical alert bracelet, but if you look closely, each bracelet is inscribed with the name of a friend or colleague I've lost, either to our enemies abroad or the demons within. I wear the bracelet so that I can read their name, when I shake hands, when I render a salute, when I play with my kids, while I type these words, their names are always with me. Almost every veteran I know does this. We do this

because it inspires us, they inspire us. They sacrificed their tomorrow so that we could have our today – and that is not something to be taken lightly. We have an obligation to live up to their legacy, we have an obligation to make those sacrifices matter, and what we're seeing today should only strengthen our resolve to do so.

As we reflect as a nation on the current situation in Afghanistan and on the 20th anniversary of 9/11, I think it is more important than ever to remind ourselves of the unity that existed immediately following the 9/11 attacks. On 9/12 there was no doubt in anyone's mind that we would prevail, there was no doubt that we were stronger together. Now, 20 years later, we should focus our efforts on those elements that unify us, those elements of our history that make us stronger, those elements that define American exceptionalism.

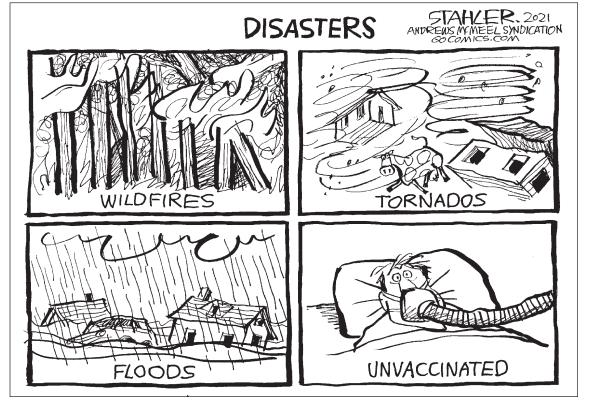
Pearl Harbor, September 11th, whatever the crisis, American's have always stood up and found a way to overcome any obstacle. Despite the fear, the heartbreak, the anger we're all experiencing we owe it to ourselves, we owe it to our fallen to be good stewards of our democracy, we must live up to their legacy and be good stewards of our communities. As we approach the 20th anniversary of 9/11, all of us must find a way to serve, we must ensure that the sacrifices made by the .7% were not in vain.

After Pearl Harbor our entire nation mobilized in support of the war efforts. Everyone made sacrifices in support of our common goal. When the war was over, we quickly made up for lost time. The greatest generation not only secured victory in World War II but they returned home to oversee the largest period of economic growth this country has ever seen, and some of the greatest technological advances the world has ever seen. For the greatest generation there was no obstacle that couldn't be overcome – and today we have the opportunity to harness that same spirit.

To the brave men and women who volunteered and to your families, and to the families of the fallen. The sacrifices you made – and your families made – were not in vain. What we are witnessing today is not our failure, this is not our burden to bear. Having had the privilege of serving alongside so many amazing Americans (and allied service members as well), quite frankly I'm tremendously proud of what you were able to accomplish, and I hope you are too. The fact is you carried more than your fair share - and you are stronger because of it.

It's OK to not be OK right now. Take some time to reconnect with old friends, remind ourselves about that time we were handed a mission, given no resources to execute the mission, and somehow figured out how to make it work. Let's take that problem-solving mindset into our next mission. There's a lot of work to be done - your country and your communities need strong leaders like you to tackle tough problems and solving tough problems is what we do best.

Joseph Reagan is the director of Military and Veterans Outreach for Wreaths Across America. He has over 10 years' experience working with leaders within government, nonprofit and Fortune 500 companies to develop sustainable strategies supporting national security and veterans health. He served 8 years on active duty as an officer in the U.S. Army including two tours to Afghanistan with the 10th Mountain Division. He is a graduate of Norwich University, the oldest private military college in the country.



Terry L. Huff

September 15, 1956 - January 10, 2021



Terry was born on September 15, 1956 to Lloyd and Kay (Wright) Huff at Ft. Bragg, South Carolina. He is the second of four children. Terry passed away January 10, 2021 in South Dakota at Ft. Meade's VA hospital after a lengthy battle with liver cancer.

Terry was mostly raised in the Coos Bay, Oregon area where he attended school. He participated in Boy Scouts and he was credited with saving another boy's life while he was delivering papers for The World.

After high school in 1975, Terry joined the US Army and was sent to Bamberg, West Germany, where he served in artillery for the remainder of his enlistment.

After he was released from the Army he returned to Coos Bay and attended SWOCC for Automotive Repair. He finished and did work for a short time in that field. Terry then went to work in the commercial fishing industry. He worked on the docks in Charleston and eventually went to sea and worked as a deckhand. He then for the next several years, skippered Korean boats off the coast of California. Terry eventually made his way to Craig and then to Juneau, Alaska where he continued in the commercial fishing industry. He lived there for many years. Terry's health declined and he was forced to retire.

Terry enjoyed spending time with his family,

especially in Allegany where the family had a cabin. As a boy he learned to swim, fish and catch crawdads on the East Fork of the Millicoma River. He also enjoyed hunting, fishing and crabbing.

Terry was preceded in death by his father, Lloyd D. Huff on December 5, 2004.

Terry is survived by his daughter, Bridgette Huff of Coquille; twin daughters, Kalie and Kirsten Huff of Jeanu, Alaska; mother, Kay Huff of Coos Bay; brother, Jerry and wife, Debbie Huff of Charleston; sister, Pam and husband Larry Coleman of Anchorage, Alaska; younger brother, Kery Huff of Coos Bay. Terry has two grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. He was also a great uncle with many nieces and nephews.

At Terry's request there will be no services. Special thanks to Mike and Annie Morgan in Belle Fourche, South Dakota where Terry spent his final days.

Robert Walter Herbert Gunther

December 22, 1938-August 9, 2021



Private funeral services will be held for Robert Walter Herbert Gunther, 82, of Coquille. Interment will be at Rink Creek Cemetery.

Bob was born December 22, 1938, in Manhattan, New York, to Herbert and Louise Gunther and died August 9, 2021, in Portland from complications following a heart attack.

He grew up in the Bronx and graduated from the State University of New York College of Forestry. On June 16, 1962, he married Mary Gillen and the two moved to Medford, Oregon, where he started a long career in the Bureau of Land Management that included working in the BLM's Coos Bay District as an area manager and planner from 1977 through his retirement.

Bob and Mary had six sons and enjoyed watching the various activities of their children and later their grandchildren. They were married 51 years. After Mary died, Bob married Patricia (Goergen) Collins on January 3, 2015 and he and Patsy lived in Coquille until his death.

Bob had the heart of a volunteer and spent many years helping people with their taxes through

the AARP tax assistance program and volunteering with both the hot meals program and the Coquille Food Bank. He volunteered at a variety of golf tournaments at Bandon Dunes Golf Resort. His greatest volunteer work came in the Boy Scout program, including three decades leading the Eagle Scout Board of Review for the Chinook District, a term that ended in 2020.

Bob was assistant scoutmaster and scoutmaster for Coquille's Troop 63 throughout the scouting tenures of all his children and continued serving as part of the troop committee several more years, totaling about two decades with the troop. All six sons — Mike, Steve, Bob, Allen, John and Andy — attained the rank of Eagle Scout. Bob received the highest award for adult scouts, the Silver Beaver, in 1994. He also was selected to the Vigil Honor, the highest honor for the Order of the Arrow, a Boy Scouts honor group. The vigil name selected for him was a perfect match, Kwan Wake Hehe Mamook Kumtux, translated quiet, serious mentor.

Bob and Mary, and later Bob and Patsy, were active members of Holy Name Catholic Church in Coquille, and he served many years on the parish council for the church, as well as volunteering at the annual spaghetti dinner.

Bob loved the outdoors and enjoyed fishing, as well as trips with Mary and later Patsy up and down the South Coast and throughout the Western United States to visit national parks and other beautiful spots. He also loved photography and making albums from those

Bob enjoyed gardening and often donated the surplus produce with the Coquille Food Bank. He also loved making wine, including using a variety of fruits and many of the wild berries that grow on the South Coast. His private vintage included blackberry, raspberry, strawberry, Oregon grape, salal, huckleberry, thimbleberry, salmonberry and his favorite, blue elderberry.

He enjoyed a good game of cards, including many years playing cribbage during lunch with colleagues at the BLM and treasured Sunday evening pinochle games with Mary and close friends Rol and Cathy Schmidt, as well as hours as a family playing the Gunther clan favorite Biff.

Bob is survived by his wife, Patsy; his sister and brother-in-law, Doris and Bob Olsen of Amawalk, New York: his sons and daughters-in-law, Mike and Amy of Morgantown, West Virginia, Steve and Margarita of Beaverton, Allen and Joni of Portland, John and Lori of Coquille, Andy and Paula of Vancouver, Washington; son, Bob of Coquille; and grandchildren, Michael, Elizabeth, Kimberly, Hayden, Mariella, Matthew, Alex, Camille, Connor, Finn, Benjamin and Isaac. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary, and his parents.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Coquille Food Bank, P.O. Box 465, Coquille, Ore., 97423.

Services are under the direction of Amling Schroeder Funeral Service, 541-396-3846.

Maureen "Moe" Ann Stout

May 30, 1967 - August 6, 2021



A memorial service for Maureen Ann Stout, "Moe", 54, of North Bend will be held at 2 pm, Friday, August 27, 2021 at the Coos Bay Chapel, 685 Anderson Avenue in Coos Bay, with pastor Trevor

Hefner of the Family Life Center Church of God in North Bend, officiating. Inurnment will be held at Sunset Memorial Park in Coos Bay.

Maureen was born May 30, 1967 in Grants Pass, Oregon, to Brenda (Moore) and Gerald Stout. She passed away August 6, 2021, with her family and closest friends by her side.

Maureen attended **Brookings High** School and graduated from Sacramento City College with a degree in Journalism.

She worked in the service industry throughout her life. She ended her career at Café Mediterranean in North Bend, Oregon and was

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DEAR ABBY By Abigail Van Buren

BIRTH MOTHER RECONNECTS

adored by her customers. Her hobbies included riding motorcycles, traveling, photography, gardening and ancestral research. She was a loving parent of her twin children and a great friend. The hole in our hearts after her passing will be impossible to fill.

Maureen is survived by her children, Melanie and Eric Stout; grandson, Xander Stout; and her brother, Mark Stout.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Brenda and Gerald Stout.

Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131. Family and friends are invited to sign the online guestbook at www. coosbayareafunerals.com

Annual Coastal Tourism Conference is back and better than ever

The Oregon Coast Visitors Association will be hosting its annual People's Coast Summit in Coos Bay on October 12 and 13 with a traditional Salmon Bake dinner at the Mill Casino on October 11. The conference was slated to be held in Coos Bay in 2020 but was cancelled due to COVID-19. After 18 months of pivoting, being flexible and adapting to new norms, the OCVA team and Coos Bay - North Bend Visitor & Convention Bureau are confident they can bring the summit back in person and it'll be better than ever.

This year's agenda has a promising line up of keynote speakers to offer big-picture thinking and topics to tourism stakeholders from all over the coast. How can technology help our hospitality workforce? Where do youth, especially those at risk of being homeless fit into our industry? Are sea otters the intersection of natural ecosystems, tourism and indigenous communities?

New this year to the conference is a live stream event, which will take place from the Egyptian Theatre in downtown Coos Bay. Referred to as a "Tourism and Climate Action Watch Party" this event is hosted by Tourism Declares, The Travel Foundation, Travel Oregon and OCVA. In-person attendees will be joined virtually by fellow destinations and tourism professionals. This pivotal conversation about tourism and climate action takes place one month before the United Nations Climate Change Conference, COP

26, in Glasgow, Scotland. OCVA organizes this event to keep coastal businesses, leaders and nonprofits up to date on new trends, studies and topics for the tourism industry while providing plenty of casual networking and fun entertainment. Check out the workshops, speakers and more details for this year's Summit at https:// the-peoples-coast-summit. heysummit.com/ This event is sponsored by Coos Bay - North Bend Visitor & Convention Bureau, MEDI-America, Travel Southern Oregon Coast, Bandon Dunes and Travel Oregon.

The event will adhere to all COVID-19 regulations and guidance. In the case that we are unable to gather in person, refunds will be made and workshops and keynotes will be online.

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DEATH

Billy G. Middleton, 74, of North Bend, passed away on August 18, 2021 in North Bend. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

Donna Kay Leach, 70, of Coos Bay, passed away August 13, 2021 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 coosbayareafunerals.com

Caren Linda Easterday, 78, of Myrtle Point, died August 16, 2021 in Coquille. Arrangements are under the direction of Amling Schroeder Funeral Service, Myrtle Point

Graveside services for Jason Daniel Campbell, 60, will be held at 11 am, Saturday, August 28, 2021 at the Reedsport Masonic Cemetery, where we will share stories of his life.

with the time he should be spending with his family? And, after his mother passes away, what role should I play in his life? His father is deceased, and he and his adopted brother are estranged. -- BIO MOM IN TEXAS DEAR BIO MOM: Your son should have told his adoptive mother about the reunion, regardless of who initiated it. I think it would be better for everyone if she was included. A way to do that would be to thank her for taking such good care of your son and helping him to become the man he is today. I do not think secrecy is healthy. If it backfires, there will be deeply hurt feelings because of the subterfuge. At this point in your son's life it's too late for you to be his mommy. However, you CAN be a good friend, since his only family now is

DEAR ABBY: When I was an

unmarried 18-year-old. I had a child

out of wedlock. Unsure that I could

provide for him. I chose to place him

through DNA. The reunion has been

still living.

great, even though I choose to remain

in the background because his mother is

Would it be appropriate this fall and

winter to include him in my holiday

festivities as long as it doesn't interfere

for adoption so he would have a chance

for a better life. This year, we connected

the woman who loved and raised him. **DEAR ABBY:** I have been dating a man for almost three years. He's retired; I'm still working. He refuses to stay with me during the week because I need to go to bed early. I see him only on the weekends. Am I wrong for wanting him to stay with me during the week? I feel like we really don't have a relationship. My previous boyfriends would stay with me every night. Am I doomed with this man? By the

WITH BIOLOGICAL SON way, he's been married four times. --WANTS MORE IN MICHIGAN

> DEAR WANTS MORE: Wake up. The man you have been dating isn't going to change. He has struck out at marriage four times and may have "plans" during the week that do not include staving with a "Sleeping Beauty." If you want more companionship than what you're getting, you are going to have to seek it elsewhere.

> **DEAR ABBY:** My daughter is getting married. Her father and I never married, but legally he's listed as her father. For the past 40 years she has used my last name. Well, her wedding invitation arrived today and her father's name is on it. Mine isn't even mentioned!

> My parents and I raised her. Her dad was around but never an active father. I raised her, but he gets the glory and the privilege of walking her down the aisle? She says I'm being "a wacko." Must I accept this and let it go? I feel so hurt that I really don't want to go to the wedding. -- LOVING, LEFT-OUT MOM

DEAR MOM: I understand your feelings. If you haven't asked your daughter why she chose to do this, you should. At the least, you deserve an explanation. Please understand that if you refuse to go to her wedding, it could create a permanent rift. There may be grandchildren and milestones you also could miss. Of course, the decision is yours to make, but since you asked me to weigh in, I'm suggesting you take the high road, attend and support your daughter on "her" day.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

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Reclassification process begins in Oregon

OSAA committee will decide on classifications and leagues for schools for next four years

JOHN GUNTHER

For The World

As the high school sports seasons start this week, the Oregon School Activities Association committee charged with proposing districts for the next fouryear time block that begins in one year has started its task.

The Classification and Districting Committee held its introductory meeting by Zoom on Aug. 9 and held its first regular meeting to receive testimony Monday (after press time).

A process that used to take an entire calendar year will be compressed into just a few months this time, with the committee scheduled to make its final recommendation to the OSAA Executive Board on Nov. 22.

Several significant changes to the way OSAA counts enrollment could lead to significant changes as well for schools around the state.

First, starting this year, the figure used to calculate a school's average daily membership (ADM) will just include grades 9 through 11. In the initial memo to the committee, OSAA Executive Director Peter Weber explained that this change "removes the volatility of senior

classes due to early graduation and early college enrollment while also removing consideration for fifth year or extended education courses for super seniors that are ineligible (for sports)."

Using just the freshmen through junior classes will lead to a more consistent representation of students in the schools participating in athletics and activities, Weber explained.

A second change is that school districts that operate separate option or alternative schools that are not full members of OSAA will have to count the students in those schools who live in their

Weber explained that change makes the counting of students more equitable because it counts all high school students living in the district.

The change has a big impact on Coquille, which operates the Winter Lakes High School, and Marshfield, because the Coos Bay School District also has alternative schools.

A third change is that while schools will continue to receive a socio-economic reduction in their total if a large percentage of the students receive free lunch (a 25 percent reduction), schools

with a higher percentage of those students now will receive a 40 percent reduction in their calculated number.

A fourth significant change is that the number of students the committee uses will be the average of three years, instead of just the previous year.

"This provides a better representation of a school's population over time as opposed to a oneyear snapshot while decreasing the volatility of major enrollment bumps or dips," Weber said in the letter.

A notable impact of that three-year calculation is that the average number of students calculated for North Bend (530) is greater than the average for Marshfield (507) even though for the 2020-21 school year. Marshfield's calculated number of students (525) was bigger than North Bend's (519).

For the past four years, North Bend has been a Class 5A school and Marshfield a Class 4A school, and if the committee goes straight by the numbers for the next four-year time block that could remain the case even though Marshfield is trending toward being a bigger school.

North Bend was considerably larger the previous two years,

leading to the higher average over the three-year period. In the 2018-19 school year, Marshfield's calculated number of students was 496 while North Bend's was 530 and in 2019-20 Marshfield was 499 and North Bend was 541.

North Bend remains one of the smallest schools in Class 5A, with its three-year average of 530 only larger than Scappoose (501) among schools in the classification. It also is significantly smaller than every other school in the Midwestern League.

Marshfield, meanwhile, is one of the biggest in Class 4A, though Cottage Grove, a fellow Sky-Em League member, is larger with an average of 520. Cascade (514) and Molalla (518) also are larger than Marshfield, as is Woodburn, which is much bigger (870) but received an exemption to play down to Class 4A for the current time block.

Among the other Sky-Em League schools, Siuslaw of Florence seems a likely candidate to move down to Class 3A. The Vikings' number of 234 is much smaller than the other league schools and also is smaller than every other Class 4A school.

Among the other South Coast schools, the one most likely to

switch a classification is Coquille, almost surely destined to move up to Class 3A based on the numbers.

With the addition of Winter Lakes students, Coquille's calculated enrollment figure that will be used by the committee is 188 students, much larger than the rest of the Class 2A Sunset Conference and also larger than at least 10 current members of Class 3A.

Coquille was a Class 3A school for the previous time block, in a league with every school more than 100 miles away leading to many long bus trips. At least this time around, there is a chance Coquille would be reunited with former Far West League colleagues Siuslaw, Douglas (in Winston), Sutherlin and South Umpqua (in Myrtle Creek) that are geographically much closer than the closest school in the Mountain Valley Conference the Red Devils were formerly in, Creswell.

To see a schedule of meetings for the committee, as well as the metrics that led to the numbers the committee will use, visit www.osaa.org and find the Classification and Districting committee under the Governance tab at the top of the page.

Seasons start this week for high school teams

High school teams are a little over a week into fall practice, and this week many will begin their seasons.

The first day teams can have competitions is Thursday, and several of the area's volleyball teams will be in action that day.

North Bend, Coquille, Sutherlin and Brookings-Harbor will be at Marshfield for a jamboree, when they will have a chance to play one set against each of the

Meanwhile, Bandon hosts Oakland, Reedsport is at Oakridge and Pacific faces both C.S. Lewis Academy and host

On Friday, Reedsport hosts a jamboree and Powers is at Glendale for a jamboree.

North Bend starts its Midwestern League season on Saturday when the Bulldogs host Willamette. Coquille faces Kennedy and host Monroe.

Football

Teams can't play full football games for another week, but can play jamborees on Friday, structured contests that include a limited number of plays on both offense and defense against a few other opponents. North Bend will be at Cottage Grove and Marshfield at Churchill for

jamborees.

When the actual season starts next week, Powers starts its six-man league season with a home game against Prospect on Friday, Sept. 3, while Marshfield hosts defending Class 4A state champion Mazama. Coquille is home for Brookings-Harbor, while Bandon opens at Sheridan, Reedsport visits Monroe and Myrtle Point travels to Waldport.

North Bend opens the Midwestern League season on Saturday, Sept. 4, when the Bulldogs host Crater in a game at Marshfield.

Soccer

Marshfield's boys and girls soccer teams are both at Phoenix for a jamboree Friday while North Bend's teams open the season Saturday with games against Brookings-Harbor, the boys on the road and the girls hosting the Bruins SWOCC.

North Bend and Marshfield face each other next week, with the boys at Marshfield on Tuesday and the girls at SWOCC on Wednesday.

Cross Country

The only South Coast teams in action this week are Bandon and North Bend,

which both open the season Friday at Roseburg's Stewart Park in the Umpqua Opener.

SWOCC seasons starting this week, too

The high school athletes aren't the only ones getting their first action this week.

The fall season swings into gear for the soccer and volleyball teams at Southwestern Oregon Community College.

The women's soccer team actually got its first match in last Wednesday, with the Lakers falling 2-0 to Bushnell University in a game at Eugene.

This week, both the men's and women's teams for SWOCC are in Washington for games Wednesday and Thursday.

The men play Edmonds and Bellevue and the women battle Shoreline and Lower Columbia.

SWOCC's volleyball team also will be in Washington, tipping off the season Friday at Mount Vernon, where the Lakers meet Skagit Valley and Shoreline. The next day, they are in Bellingham to face Whatcom and Everett and on Monday, SWOCC will play Edmonds.

Local Schedule

Wednesday, Aug. 25 Men's College Soccer — SWOCC at

Edmonds, 9 .am. Women's College Soccer — SWOCC

at Shoreline, 9 a.m.

Thursday, Aug. 26

High School Volleyball — North Bend, Coquille, Brookings-Harbor, Sutherlin at Marshfield Jamboree; Oakland at Bandon, 5:30 p.m.; Reedsport at Oakridge, 4:30 p.m.; Pacific at Mapleton, TBA; Pacific vs. C.S. Lewis Academy at Mapleton, 4:30 p.m.

Men's College Soccer — SWOCC at Bellevue, 8 a.m.

Women's College Soccer — SWOCC at Lower Columbia, 8 a.m.

Friday, Aug. 27

High School Football — North Bend at Cottage Grove jamboree; Marshfield at Churchill jamboree; Coquille jambo-

High School Volleyball — Rogue River at Reedsport jamboree; Powers at Glendale Jamboree.

This week in Coos County history: August 22-28

100 YEARS - 1921

Enormous crowd here for finish Thousands of visitors are in city Satur-

Everybody had a good time and gathering was pronounced to be a big success

The Elks state convention wound up Saturday with one of the biggest crowds in the city that has been here for a long time. People came from all sections of Coos county and the facilities for taking care of people were taxed to the utmost but everyone was accommodated.

Restaurants were crowded all evening and all night long and did a big business again on Sunday. The hotels were all crowded and private houses which had been opened to the public, furnished additional accommodations.

Altogether the entertainment was regarded as a marked success. The visiting Elks and others had a good time and the people all seemed to enjoy themselves.

Many at dances

The dances each night were popular and Saturday night the firemen's hall and the armory were both crowded all evening. Probably never before have so many people gathered at dances in Marshfield. The dance floors were crowded and spectators swarmed both the buildings.

Fireworks show great success

Total receipts amount to \$1,700 People greatly pleased and entertainment even better than was anticipated

The Battle of Argonne, the fireworks display given Saturday night was a splendid show. It was the best fireworks exhibition probably ever given in this section of the state.

The admission fees totaled \$1,700 but there were many who saw the display and

did not pay. The sailors from the destroyers acted as police and the crowd was well handled. Hundreds of cars were parked and the spectators remained in their autos.

The show was really better than expected. It was the first time in the northwest that a night airplane flight has been given successfully. They have been given in San Francisco, but the one here was first north of California that has been carried out with success.

The entertainment was put on by the local post of the American legion and the Elks. The people were greatly pleased and it made a fine windup for the celebration in connection with the Elks' state conven-

50 YEARS - 1971

Agreement reached for Weyerhaueser

Labor dispute ends

SALEM (UPI) — A 16-week-old strike involving 2,400 workers is apparently

Gov. Tom McCall announced late Tuesday night that members of the Association of Western Pulp and Paper Workers and the big Weyerhaeuser Co. had reached an agreement on ending their dispute. However, there was some question as to whether workers would get a higher salary during President Nixon's 90-day wage

McCall said union workers had voted 1,164-473 to accept terms of a proposal hammered out during the weekend by both sides with McCall helping as medi-

Another development came this week when members of Local 1000, AWPPW at Menasha Corp., in North Bend voted 73 yes to 19 no on a two-year contract calling for 31 cents per hour hike in wages the first year and a 7 percent increase the second year.

International Paper Co. employees at the Gardiner pulp and paper plant continued negotiations today. A federal mediator is participating with Gardiner Local 101 of the AWPPW and company representa-

20 YEARS - 2001

Grant from Friends windfall for South Slough Reserve

Completion: Interpretive center project began June 19 and is scheduled to be finished in December

A larger than expected donation from Friends of the South Slough Reserve is increasing like a plus-high tide on a roll.

The volunteer nonprofit group, which supports education and outreach at the reserve, originally expected to raise \$60,000. Instead the group raised \$132,500.

"How it happened is the Friends received a challenge grant from the Meyer Memorial Trust," said Michael R. Graybill, South Slough manager. "The Meyer people said if you raise \$60,000, we'll give you \$60,000. We took the Mever money, put it in with the Friends' gift and had \$120,000.

Then there's also the Oregon Community Foundation's \$12,500. That's the \$132,500 which can be leveraged three to

The donation, with matching funds from grants and a 3-1 match from the government, has the potential to keep growing, Graybill said. He said he expects the eventual cost of the renovation and expansion of the Reserve's interpretive center to exceed \$800,000.

"We're building this thing in phases that match our ability to develop the funding to do it," he said. "That's why it's really hard to say what the total project cost will be."

Ex-Pirates aim to help Ducks to

EUGENE — Mike Belisle and Josh Line took dramatically different routes to the University of Oregon's football team.

But even though one former Marshfield standout was a highly recruited All-American in high school an the other had to work his way into Oregon's program, they both have the same goal — to contribute to the Ducks in their most anticipated

"I'm excited," said Belisle during Oregon's recent media day. "It's a good situation to be in."

"I feel great about this season," said Line. "I can't wait to get started and see what we've got."

Line is coming off a great season in which he was the starting fullback on the Duck team that went 10-2 and beat Texas in the Holiday Bowl.

"(Last year) was real fun and very exciting," Line said. "For me it was a great

Belisle only wishes he could say the same, at least as far as football is concerned.

The offensive lineman was one of the most highly recruited players from the Northwest as a senior at Marshfield in 1997 and anticipated a great college career with the Ducks.

What he has gotten, however, is a series of disappointments - injury after injury, forcing him to redshirt as a true freshman, then miss his entire next season from another injury.

Last fall, he played in three games before tearing the posterior cruciate ligament in his left knee.

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

AND

YOU'LL

HAVE A

PRIVATE

OFFICE

TUESDAY

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SUDOKU

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CLASSIC PEANUTS



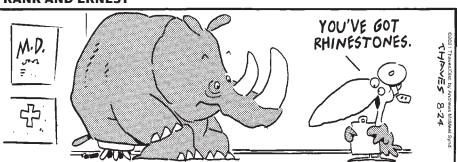




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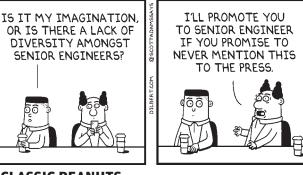
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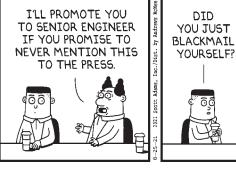
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CLASSIC PEANUTS







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PREVIOUS SOLUTION

HOW TO PLAY: Each row, column

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HOW TO PLAY:

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Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- Jungfrau 51 Sierra Madre
- gold 53 Trip part

I'LL PROMOTE YOU

TO VICE PRESIDENT

IF YOU NEVER SAY

THAT TO ANOTHER

SOUL.

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COME TO THINK OF

IT, THERE ISN'T MUCH

DIVERSITY IN SENIOR

MANAGEMENT EITHER.

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Gentlemen,

I GOT PROMOTED TO SENIOR ENGINEER

BECAUSE I TOLD MY

BOSS THERE WASN'T

MUCH DIVERSITY IN THOSE POSITIONS.









FRANK AND ERNEST



HOW TO PLAY:

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

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NO ONE 15 EVER 60ING WAAH!!



- -Ellen

40 Lively dances

44 Dorm denizen

white whales

42 Hatfield foe

46 Baby seal

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53 Skip

56 Nuke

54 Long for

57 Clarinet kin 58 Organized

59 Affirmative

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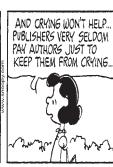
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61 Financial

60 Body of water

49 Unisex wear

- excellence





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HOW'S IT

FEEL TO BE

MY PEER?

FRANK AND ERNEST

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I MENTIONED TO THE

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THAT THERE HAS NEVER

BEEN ANY DIVERSITY

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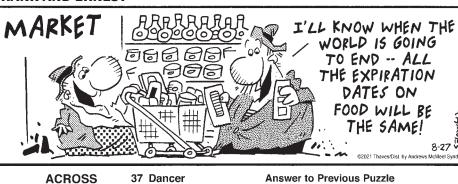
SO THEY MADE ME CO-CEO.

DILBERT

SOMETIMES

I THINK YOU

MUST BE VERY NAIVE



I DIDN'T EVEN ASK

FOR THE JOB. I JUST

MADE AN OBSERVATION,

AND THEY PANICKED.

- 1 Nine-lived pet
- 4 Lash holder 7 Inning enders
- 11 Ms. Hagen
- 12 Magritte's name 13 Leg joint
- 14 Cable honcho - Turner 15 Overhang
- 16 Cropland measure
- 17 Puts into law 19 Uxmal resident
- 21 Morse code word
- 22 Dunks 23 Coke rival
- 26 Adult, almost 28 That, in
- Acapulco 29 Dr. Zhivago's love
- 31 "Forrest -" 35 High point

8-27

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 - 23 Green shade 24 PC button 25 Actress Grier 26 Half of seis consumers 27 Corn unit

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- 30 Std. 32 Mdse. bars 33 Chinese
- Chairman 34 Snoop
- 36 Threw out 38 Magic charm
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- 45 Winter constellation
- 46 "Humbug!" 48 Glass
- ingredient
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- 52 Stepped on
- the gas
- 53 Comic strip
- caveman 55 Corp. biggie
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A10 | TUESDAY, AUGUST 24, 2021

Vote for your favorites in The World's...

2021 BEST OF THE SOUTH COAST

Results will be published in a special "Best of the South Coast" edition on November 19th in The World.

	LIVING	SHOPPING
Asian Food	35. Art Gallery	69. Antique Store
Bakery	36. Barber Shop	70. Appliance Store
Bar/Pub/Lounge	37. Golf Course	71. Auto Parts Store
Breakfast	38. Health & Fitness Club	72. Bait and Tackle Shop
Burger	39. Hotel/Lodging	— 73. Boat Sales/Supply
Chowder	40. Manicure/Pedicure	74. Dispensary
Coffee	41. Massage Therapist	75. Flooring
Deli	42. Salon/Spa	76 Flower Shop
Dinner	43. Tattoo	77. Furniture Store/Mattress Store
. Dessert		78. Gift Shop
	44. Theater	79. Hardware Store
. Fish & Chips	45. Employer	80. Jeweler
2. Food Store	SERVICES	81. Lumber Store 82. New Car/Truck Dealer
. Italian Food	46. Accounting Office	New Car/ Truck Dealer S3. Nursery/Garden Center
. Lunch	47. Attorney/Law Firm	— 83. Nursery/Garden Center ————————————————————————————————————
. Mexican Food	48. Auto Repair	85. Resale/Thrift
5. Pizza	49. Computer Service/Repair	86. RV Dealer
7. Produce	50. Contractor	87. Tire Shop
3. Restaurant	51. Customer Service	88. Used Car/Truck Dealer
). Steak	52. Electrical Repair Shop	89. Women's Boutique
. Catering	53. Bank	_
. Food Truck	54. Fishing Charter Service	BEST IN TOWN
	55. Funeral Home/Mortuary	90. Bandon
HEALTHCARE		91. Charlestown
	56. Heating & Air Conditioning Shop (HVAC Only)	92. Coos Bay
. Chiropractor	57. Insurance	93. Coquille
3. Clinic	58. Pharmacy	94. Myrtle Point
. Dentist	<u> </u>	
5. Pediatric Dentist	——— 59. Photographer	— 96. Reedsport
. Doctor	60. Personnel/Employment Agency	97. Lakeside
'. Optometry Center	61. Pet Groomer	SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCE - C
B. Hearing Aid Center	62. Plumber	
9. Hospital	63. Real Estate Company	99. Curbside Pick up/Delivery
0. Orthopedic Care	64. Realtor/Broker	100. Home Delivery
1. Pediatric Care		·
	66. Service Club	101. Vaccine Center/Location
2. Physical Therapy		102. Outdoor/Social Distance Dining
	67. Transmission Shop	103. Cleanliness/Sanitized
3. Podiatrist		

Ballot must be received by September 7, 2021 at 5:00pm. 350 Commercial Ave.,
P.O. Box 1840, Coos Bay, OR 97420. This is your ballot. Write in your choice. One ballot per voter.
Ballot must be completely filled out to be considered valid. Enter one person/business per category.

Businesses can only be voted for services they provide.

THE WORLD

Coos Bay Downtown Association Cancels Blackberry Arts Festival

The Coos Bay Downtown Association has made the difficult decision to cancel the 2021 Blackberry Arts Festival in downtown Coos Bay. State and local health authorities report a sharp increase in cases of COVID-19, primarily in Coos and nearby counties. In addition, the prevalence of the Delta variant, the rise in the number of deaths and out of concern for the health and well-being for the community, vendors, volunteers and festival staff, the hard decision was made.

The Blackberry Arts Festival was scheduled to take place August 28†and 29†in downtown Coos Bay.,

ìThe Board of Directors knows this will have an impact on our vendors, community and the businesses we serve," Executive Director Holly Boardman said. "But out of an abundance of caution for

the safety of attendees the extremely tough decision was made.î

The Blackberry Arts festival is a unique juried event that has run for 38 years up until last year when the global pandemic hit.

iThe board and promotions committee pride themselves on the fact that it has always highlighted the work that can take local artists and crafters months and years to produce. It also features seasonal blackberry treats.î Boardman added.

At this time, the promotions committee will continue to work on ways to safely bring foot traffic to downtown. The CBDA will also continue the weekly Farmers Market, which operates as an essential service, providing farm to table food from local and regional farmers. It takes place Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. through October.

Operation Backpack seeks donations

It is that time once again when school-age children all over the South Coast eagerly anticipate the beginning of the school year and all the excitement a new year brings. In the past our community has been very supportive when we have requested assistance in meeting the needs of our students.

You can help make this fall better for a child and set the stage for a successful learning experience all throughout the school year by contributing to Coos Bay School District's Operation Backpack. This program was started several years ago in order to provide backpacks, school supplies, shoes and hygiene products for our students in need. It helps remove barriers and allow

for all children to start school ready to succeed.

Individuals, families, and organizations alike are asked to donate backpacks and school supplies. Many children will also need hygiene products like toothpaste, deodorant, bar soap, shampoo and conditioner, nail clippers, brushes and combs. Please choose these items with children's safety in mind. Others you may consider donating are basic clothing items.

The donated backpacks and school supplies will be distributed at our schools where they are most needed. Our school nurses and secretaries will distribute the hygiene supplies and clothing throughout the school year as needed.

If you want to donate but

do not want to shop, let us do it for you. Simply donate online or write a check to Coos Bay School District with Operation Backpack in the memo as a donation to this program. Your generous donations are all tax deductible. Keep your receipts and provide us with your name and address and we will send you a letter for tax purposes. In addition, our athletic department would like to offer two tickets to any regular season sporting event for the 2021-22 school year for all

donations \$20 and over. Donated items or check donations can be delivered to Milner Crest Education Center at 1255 Hemlock Avenue in Coos Bay between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or at our schools after August 24.

North Bend Council honors police officer for 10 years, welcomes new firefighter



TheNorthBendCityCouncilrecentlycongratulatedapoliceofficerfor10yearsofserviceandsworeinanew firefighter. Above, the council poses with Sqt. Ryan Doyleafter recognizing Doyle for 10 years of service with theNorthBendPoliceDepartment.Below,thecouncilposesforapicturewithfirefighter/engineerJeremy Potter after Potter took his oath of office.













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- . NEW: Wednesday evening session added each week with same buy-in and payouts as the Friday evening session.
- Wednesday and Friday sessions have NBSC Progressive Blackout game; current prize is \$900 in 52 numbers or less. Prize increases by \$50 each week until reaches \$1,000 and then freezes. Week after reaching \$1,000, numbers to win increase by one each week. BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR, A LUCKY PLAYER WILL WIN \$1,000

Food not available at any sessions at this time. Bring your own food.

- Bingo session will be cancelled if fewer than 30 players for that session
- [applies to Wednesday, Friday and Saturday] Masks mandated for all, per Oregon COVID restrictions.

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Weed of the Month

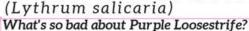
ID Tips: -perennial -usually in wet areas between 3' - 9' tall; avg. 6' -magenta flower spikes with 5-7 petals

 leaves long, narrow
 ridged, 4-6 sided stem -blooms July to Sept.



Have you seen me? Contact: Coos Watershed Association (541) 888-5922

x309 or Coquille Watershed Association (541) 396-2541 fluffy flower heads, Or call the invasive species hotline 866-INVADER (1-866-468-2337)



- · Can displace native vegetation, hay meadows and wetland
- pastures Can choke out waterways, negatively affecting the wildlife that
- use it, such as juvenile salmon. Pepper-sized seeds are abundant (~3 million per plant!), longlasting, can float along waterways and stick to animal fur

What should I do if I find Purple Loosestrife?

- Can easily be pulled. Make sure you put the root ball and all plant parts in a plastic bag and dispose in the garbage, not the
- Call your local watersheds below to report plants and get assistance or call the Oregon Dept. of Agriculture 800 line.

NATIVE look-alikes (below right to left): Douglas spirea, Fireweed and Watson's willowherb





Douglas spirea-Fireweed- Longer leaves, round stem, notched petals. Slight round stem. 4 petals. leaf serration. Noxious weeds are everyone's responsibility!

A12 | TUESDAY, AUGUST 24, 2021

Zoo sends hundreds of butterflies into the wild

With forecasts calling for another hot week ahead, hundreds of the Oregon Zoo's tiniest residents are heading for the coast.

Over the warmest days of summer, zoo butterfly specialists and their conservation partners have been releasing Oregon silverspots at select sites in the coastal mountain range in an effort to save this beautiful Northwest species.

Once common in coastal grasslands from Northern California up into British Columbia, the Oregon silverspot has been listed as threatened under the federal Endangered Species Act since 1980. Today, just four isolated populations remain.

"Three of the last four silverspot populations would most likely be extinct if it weren't for this recovery program," said Travis Koons, who oversees the Oregon Zoo's silverspot conservation efforts in partnership with the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and Seattle's Woodland Park Zoo

Each summer, a small number of female silverspots are collected by field biologists and brought to the zoo to lay eggs. The eggs hatch into tiny caterpillars, which are kept safe during their winter dormancy. In the spring, they wake up to a leafy meal and grow quickly.

When the weather grows warmer, the zoo and its conservation partners transport the silverspots — ei-

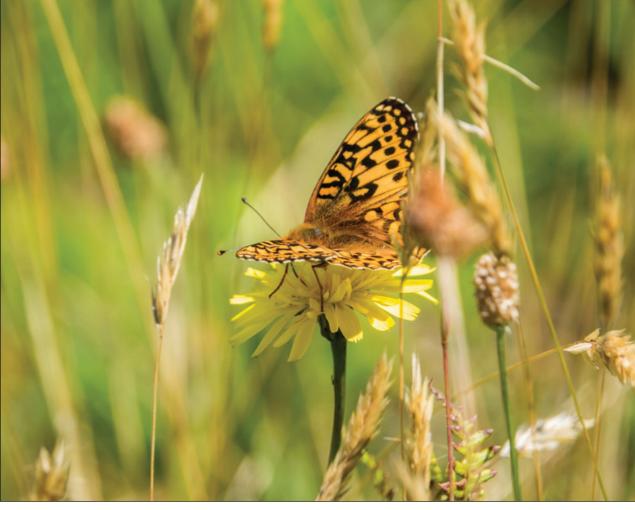
ther as caterpillars or pupae
— to field sites in order to
bolster the three remaining
Oregon populations.

"These beautiful pollinators have lost a lot of ground," Koons said. "But if they continue to breed, and if we continue to restore and protect their habitat, we can give them a good chance to survive."

In 2019, the Oregon Zoo became the first facility to successfully breed silverspots, and Koons said a small number of pupae will stay behind this year to complete their transformation into adult butterflies at the zoo — a "rear guard" of sorts that will breed and lay eggs to produce caterpillars for next year's release.

Conservationists have also been working to establish a new population at Saddle Mountain, where the Oregon silverspot has not been seen since 1972. The area was added as a reintroduction site in 2018 because a rare flower — the early blue violet — blooms in abundance there.

Early blue violets are the main food source for the silverspot caterpillars as they mature into adult butterflies, and the Oregon coastal range is one of the few remaining areas where these flowers grow in large enough quantities to sustain a butterfly population. Elsewhere, the delicate flowers have been choked out by invasive weeds and forest succession.



Contributed Photo

An Oregon silverspot butterfly alights in a meadow along the Oregon coastal mountain range. The Oregon Zoo and its butterfly conservation partners are rearing and releasing hundreds of silverspots this summer in an effort to save this beautiful Northwest species. Photo by Kathy Street, courtesy of the Oregon Zoo.









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