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# WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2020 | A3 COFFEE BREAK **Bandon voters approve bond measure**

Needed repairs, upgrades and a new bus barn are in the future for Bandon school facilities after the Bandon School Bond measure passed easily in the election Tuesday.

Bandon voters overwhelmingly approved the measure, 2,783 votes (65.08%) to 1.493 (34.92%).

"We are very happy that the bond passed and are so grateful that our community chose to invest in our schools," Bandon schools superintendent Doug Ardiana said. "This bond will allow us to move ahead with some much needed upgrades to our facilities. We are excited to get to work. We are also so thankful for all of the volunteers who worked so hard to make this bond successful."

Ardiana said the district will be establishing a

bond oversight committee that will include school officials and community representatives and that group will oversee our bond expenditures to make sure they fall within the projects approved by the voters.

Several items were listed as significant projects for the school district.

One will be construction of a new facility for the district's buses.

Another is roof maintenance for all three of the district's schools.

"Our highest priority is going to be our heating and our circulation components of our buildings — to upgrade our air conditioning for the health and safety of our students and staff." Ardiana said.

A big selling point for the bond is that the school district was approved

to receive a \$4 million matching grant from the Oregon School Capital Improvement Program to help pay for bond projects.

"It's a tremendous opportunity," Ardiana said. "Our community was able to raise \$4 million and that

\$4 million will be matched

with a state grant." Any questions or concerns can be directed to Ardiana, who can be reached at 541-347-4411.

# Honour Guard to honor veterans with rifle volley

The VFW Frank C High Medal of Honour Post 3440, VFW Auxiliary 3440, American Legion Post 26 and Bandon Veterans Honour Guard will honor all veterans with a rifle vollev at the Veterans Memorial located in Bandon City Park at 11 a.m. on Veterans Day, Wednesday, Nov. 11.

The public is invited to the event. People are asked to wear masks and practice social distancing. The event will be

preceded by an auto, truck and motorcycle parade through the streets of Bandon beginning at the VFW parking lot on Bates Road. The parade leaves the VFW at 9:45 a.m. and ends at the Veterans Memorial in Bandon City Park.

The gun salute will be followed by a free drive-through hot dog or hamburger barbecue lunch for all veterans and their families in the Bandon

area beginning at 1 p.m.

Volunteers are hoping to put up cemetery flags honoring veterans in all five Bandon-area cemeteries, weather-permitting.

If they are unable to put up all the individual flags, organizers hope to put a few at each cemetery entry way.

Volunteers are needed to help out at the cemeteries on Wednesday, Veterans Day, putting the flags up at 7 a.m. and taking them down around 4:45 p.m.

To help out, call either Harry Stephens at 541-294-1048 or Bill Smith at 541-404-6194.

# Researchers seek pictures of 'King Tides'

Every year in early winter, high tides on the Oregon coast are higher than usual. These extreme high tides, commonly called "King Tides," occur at a few specific times during the year when the moon's orbit comes closest to the earth, the earth's orbit is closest to the sun, and the sun, moon and earth are in alignment, thereby increasing their gravitational influence on the tides. These tidal events are also known as perigean spring tides.

And every winter for the past decade, a growing network of volunteer photographers has documented the highest point reached by these highest of tides. The hundreds of photos they take capture a moment in the interaction between

land and sea which up till now has been rare, but is likely to become far more typical. The images reveal current vulnerabilities to flooding. Even more important, they help us visualize and understand the coming impacts of sea level rise (such as flooding and erosion) to coastal communities. These tides are especially important to document when storm surges and high winds and waves create even higher water levels.

The volunteer photographers are participating in the King Tides Project, the Oregon branch of an international grassroots effort to document coastal areas flooded by the highest winter tides. It started in Australia (where such extreme high-water events are called "king tides," hence the name). In 2009, the highest tide in over 18 years was predicted there. Australians organized a photo event to document the effect of the tide on low-lying areas; the firstyear project received more than 2,000 photographs. In 2010, West Coast states, including Oregon, began to document their king tides. In 2012, the project spread to the East Coast and continues to expand today.

Here in Oregon, the King Tides Project has been developed and coordinated by the CoastWatch Program of the Oregon Shores Conservation Coalition, and the Oregon Coastal Management Program, and branch of the Department of Land Conservation and Development. From

modest beginnings, the project has grown to the point that more than 100 volunteer photographers contributed more than 400 photos to the project's archives last winter.

The goal of this citizen science project is to encourage Oregonians and visitors to submit photos they take of the king tides to help track sea level rise over time and reveal its impacts on the Oregon Coast. The value of the project thus increases over time, as the record of changes caused by higher tides lengthens. Photographers are also encouraged to take photos at average high tides from the identical vantage points of their "king tides" shots, for purposes of comparison.

Anyone can participate

by taking a photo during the peak period of a king tide, anywhere on the outer coast or along estuaries or lower river valleys. Photos that show the highest stand of the tide with reference to a man-made structure or natural feature reveal the reach of the tide most clear. Participants then submit their photos through the project website (www.oregonkingtides.net). For the 10-year anniversary of the project, a fantastic interactive web display was created to highlight the initiative through time. For more information, contact Meg Reed, Coastal Shores Specialist with the OCMP program, (541) 514-0091, meg.reed@state.or.us; or Jesse Jones, CoastWatch Volunteer Coordinator, (503) 989-7244, jesse@ oregonshores.org.





# A4 | WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2020 Southern Coos Health Foundation honors community lights

This week the Southern Coos Health Foundation, Southern Coos Hospital, and the community celebrate the fourteenth and final Community Lights, Cari George, Amber Heisen, Hannah Bailey, and Kenia Whittaker, who make up the front office staff at South West Internal Medicine.

The group was nominated for "being consistently positive and full of good humor," officials said. "The front office staff always remembers your name, what you need, and why you're there. They have made coming to the doctor's office during COVID less scary."

In short, the front office team at South West Internal Medicine is dedicated to their community, their patients, and their team.

When 2020 began, the team at South West Internal Medicine knew there would be changes, but they could never have anticipated the full scope of what this year would have in store. Not only did South West Internal Medicine move its office from Coquille to Bandon, they like the rest of us, have had to adapt to the changes that COVID-19 has brought.

"We are doing every-

thing we can as far as sanitizing and cleaning, and mask wearing and social distancing. You know it's understandable that [patients] are scared but we want to make sure that they are staying healthy throughout this and not leaving things swept under the rug just because of that fear. Hopefully, they want to still come in and we definitely want to see them," Whittaker said.

"Even if [patients] just have questions, we can generally help them a lot over the phone too," added Heisen. "If they're apprehensive about something or have questions about lab work or medications, we're just a phone call away."

So how do they keep their spirits up in the face of change and a pandemic?

According to Bailey, "[We] all just work very well together as a team. We've been together for years, been with Dr. Crane for years. He's a great leader to all of us. And we just hope to pass that positivity along to our patients."

Even just walking into the building it's easy to see that this team not only gets along well with each other, but that they put patient care and safety first.

"Dr. Crane is very much patient care comes first, it is always the patient that comes first," added Whittacker, "he has always just incorporated that into the entire office. Yes, we have fun and yes, we want to be here, and it's just easy [to keep positive] with this team. We try to keep to the positive as much as we can."

George summed it up with "We love all of our patients sick or healthy."

Making up this team are George, who has been with Dr. Crane for four years and is a Bandon lifer, who grew up and raised a family in Bandon. For her, the best part about Bandon is the ocean.

Bailey, a mom of four boys, who was born and raised in Coos County, has been with Dr. Crane for 13 years. For Hannah, "it has been really positive bringing our practice to Bandon. Everyone has been really receptive, they are excited to have Dr. Crane and the office here. Overall, it has just been a positive experience."

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