

CB puts moratorium on vacation rentals City will not allow new short-term rentals until new rules in place

BY DAVID RUPKALVIS The World

The Coos Bay City Council voted unanimously to put a moratorium on short-term vacations

rentals after hearing from close to a dozen people opposed to the idea.

The council vote will block any new short-term rentals in

the city's Planning Commission and City Council look deeper into the idea and create new regulations to monitor short-term rentals in the city.

place that require homeowners to register with the city, have a public hearing, pay a registration fee and pay hotel occupancy taxes. The city currently has 10 homes

cess, but a search in Airbnb.com for a four-day stay in September revealed 82 properties available in the general area. Since there

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Indoor mask mandate reinstated

BY JEREMY C. RUARK Country Media

Oregon will resume its indoor mask mandate effective Friday, Aug. 13.

Gov. Kate Brown said the effort to require the face coverings at all public indoor settings is needed to slow the rapidly spreading COVID-19 Delta virus in the state.

Brown opened a Wednesday morning press conference by saying the latest COVID-19 numbers are "shocking."

"Yesterday we had over 2,300 cases of COVID, the highest number since the virus first landed in Oregon," Brown said. "Hospitalizations

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Councilor files suit

The city has regulations in residential neighborhoods while that have gone through that pro-**Beautiful gardens light up Coos Bay**



Linda Johnson shows off some of the flowers she is growing at her Coos Bay home. Johnson opened up her yard to the public during the Coos Bay Garden Club's garden tour over the weekend to showcase the flowers she and her husband plant and grow at their home. Large crowds participated in the tour at five homes in the area

Big crowds get gardening tips during annual tour

BY DAVID RUPKALVIS The World

With a growing season that lasts

most of the year, the coastal region of Oregon is prime real estate for those that love gardening.

But having the right climate is just the first step toward having a garden that garners oohs and aahs from friends and neighbors.

Linda Johnson knows that well. She opened her yard to the public Saturday during the Coos Bay Garden Club's Garden Tour, and she heard many of the oohs and aahs. But what those who took part in the tour didn't know is how much work it took to create a flowering

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Public health advisory issued in Coos County

BY DAVID RUPKALVIS The World

The resurgence of COVID-19 in Coos County has led to Coos Health & Wellness issuing a public health advisory.

The agency that serves as the county health department issued the advisory Monday, urging people to take steps to protect themselves due the surging COVID cases.

Dr. Eric Gleason, assistant

director of Coos Health & Wellness, said the rising cases should cause everyone alarm, especially since more "breakthrough" cases are being seen in those who are fully vaccinated.

According to information

released by the Oregon Health Authority on Monday, of the 55 COVID deaths announced in July, 10 were among people who were fully vaccinated. The vast

against North Bend

BY DAVID RUPKALVIS The World

A North Bend city councilor who was censured by the council in June has filed a petition asking the circuit court to reverse the council act.

Councilor Susanna Noordhoff filed a writ of review with the Coos County Circuit Court, claiming the city council violated its own rules when it voted in June to remove Noordhoff as a liaison to city boards and commissions.

In the writ, Noordhoff's attorney, Edward S. McGlone III,

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Linda and Henry Johnson have worked for a decade to turn their yard in Coos Bay into a flowering paradise. Linda said her goal is to have something blooming all year. Henry built the fake outhouse, below, to add to the outdoor scenery.

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paradise.

"We've been working on this since 2011, since we moved in," Johnson said. "Begonias and geraniums do the best around here. At least they do for me. That's trial and error."

Trial and error may be the key in the Coos Bay area. Before the Johnsons moved to their home off Newmark Avenue, they lived in Empire. Just moving a few miles made a difference in what would and wouldn't grow, she said

"I enjoy my flowers," Johnson said. "I want something all year round to be blooming. You can keep the pansies going and the hydrangeas."

To find the perfect flowers, Johnson said she is willing to go the extra step. While she gets many of her flowers locally, she admits she has driven to Florence several times for the perfect plant.

One area that has helped has been being involved with the Coos Bay Garden Club. She has been a member for six years and has learned a lot from others.

"Usually, every meeting we have a speaker," she said. "There's people coming from the nurseries talking to you. The lady that owns Petal to the Metal nursery is a member. and she's really helpful and informative about a lot of things."

And through learning, Johnson has created a garden that left many envious. During the tour, dozens of people – more than 50 by noon - walked through the yard, admiring the flowers, shrubs and even vegetables growing in a greenhouse.

Johnson answered questions, helping guests learn when to plant, how to fertilize and how to keep wildlife away. And she was loving it.

"I kind of enjoy sharing this with people," she said. "You do all the hard work and you want to share it with people."

Her advice to those who

want to garden?

"Keep it simple and find out what grows in the area. It's pretty much trial and error."

Janet Henry also participated in the garden tour, sharing her plants and homemade pottery. Like many gardeners, she has a specialty, but dabbles in everything.

"My primary thing would be succulents and just a little of this and that," Henry said.

She said being a member of the garden club has helped her as she grows plants.

"I love talking with the other members about their experiences growing plants," she said. "We learn from each other. Just the sharing and having someone who has the same passion for flowers and plants. It's nice to belong to a group of really passionate people."

During the garden tour,



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The running legs bike racks recently installed at the Coos Bay Visitors Center is a mix of art and funcionality. A second set of bike racks was installed at the Preway near the Prefontaine murals.

Downtown bike racks provide art and functionality

The Coos Bay Downtown Association recently announced its "Running Legs" Bike Rack Project has been completed. The CBDA's vision was to bring more locals and tourists to downtown Coos Bay and give them a place to park their bikes. Once cyclists park, they can easily stroll through the downtown area and enjoy shopping in local retail stores and dining at fabulous eateries.

"With our areas rich

50 Central Avenue, and the Preway near the Prefontaine murals both located just off of Highway 101. More will be added as the city identifies other locations to serve downtown businesses. That includes the new "green" parking lot located at 3rd and Central that will be under construction in September.

The project also incorporated local students in manufacturing the bike racks. The CBDA partnered with Marshfield High School Manufacturing Class and instructor Glen Crook to provide an opportunity to students to learn while leaving a legacy for their community. The project used the skills and of Ryan Liggett, Mason Kralicek, Clayton Kellam, Hunter Ricketts, Jack Waddington, Taylor Waddington and Katrina Hampton. The Coos Bay Downtown Association is committed to promoting Coos Bay as an attractive place to live, work and visit by enhancing the quality life of the downtown area, strengthening local business and encouraging new business development. For information or to become a member, contact **Executive Director Holly** Boardman at (541) 266-9706 or visit the CBDA's website www.coosbaydowntown.org.

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Henry was selling some of her pottery, often with plants that could be displayed on them. She said she learned to love pottery in high school and is finally getting to experiment with it.

"Now that I have a little more time, I'm able to spend time making things," she said. "I went to North Bend High School and at 12th grade, I took a pottery class and fell in love with it."

The Coos Bay Garden Club hosted the tour as a way to raise money for scholarships. The club also hosted a plant sale to raise money for other ventures such as buying gardening books for local libraries, supporting the Habitat for Humanity landscaping project and celebrating National Garden Week at Shore Acres State Park.

history in running, we decided to use a running leg bike racks design from an artist in Tennessee" said **Executive Director Holly** Boardman. "The running leg design is a piece of art as well as a functional bike rack. They look beautiful and kids can also play around them."

The CBDA Design Committee and board of directors managed the effort by purchasing the rack design, securing funding and managing the project. Funding included a \$5,000 grant from The Ford Family Foundation, \$2,500 from Jordan Cove and \$2,000 from The Rotary Coos Foundation.

The city of Coos Bay provided an in-kind donation of location preparation and installation. You'll find the bike racks at the Coos Bay Visitor Center,







Photo by David Rupkalvis/The World North Bend City Councilor Susanna Noordhoff signs her oath of office after taking her seat on the council last year. After being stripped of her liasion roles, Noordhoff filed a lawsuit against the city of North Bend.

Council for consideration

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made several claims as to why the council's action was illegal.

• The writ says the council acted improperly because council rules do not authorize removing a sitting councilor from the board and commissions they are assigned to.

• McGlone argued the council acted improperly because the vote was not on the agenda. At the meeting, the council voted to remove Noordhoff from her liaison rule during the council comment's section of the meeting.

• Finally, McGlone says the council does not have the authority to remove a sitting council member from their liaison role or to censure a sitting council member.

McGlone outlined his argument in a letter he recently wrote to North Bend City Attorney Jane Stebbins.

"This motion was not properly put before the

at the June 8th meeting," McGlone wrote. "It wasn't placed on the agenda in the manner required by Council Rule 26. It was not added to the agenda as an urgent matter as required by Council Rule 27. There was no discussion of this motion during the Work Session the previous day, which my client did attend. By all appearances, this motion was timed solely to take advantage of my client's absence from the Council's meeting. This denied her any opportunity to be informed of the allegations against her and to defend against those allegations and the illegal action the motion proposed."

McGlone also claims the council rules adopted in North Bend to not allow the council to punish one of their own.

"The Council has no authority to censure a Council member. By their June 8th vote, Councilor Garboden, Richardson, Slater, Goll, Gleason, and Mayor Engelke attempted to accomplish this forbidden act through alternative means. That simply doesn't work," he wrote.

The council rules related to boards and commissions does allow the council to remove board members at any time with a vote of the council, but McGlone argues it does not apply to Noordhoff because as a council liaison, she is not a "lay member."

The council rules also contain a section related to censure, but the copy attached to the writ reads only "to be developed at a later date."

In the filing, Noordhoff claims the council vote damaged her reputation and denied her the right to fully engage in her duties as an elected council member.

The writ asks the court to rule the action of the council as null and void, to have the city pay Noordhoff's legal expenses and other relief as the court may "deem just and fair."

The writ was filed August 5 and a hearing is scheduled in front of Judge Martin Stone on August 13.

Nicholson held on \$8 million bond

in the first degree can be

committed under different circumstances. One of

those is when a defendant

the death of more than one

person in the same criminal

The indictment alleges

episode. Under state law, to

meet the pleading require-

ments of murder in the first

degree in the same criminal

Nicholson is alleged to

have killed four people on

Police allege he murdered

his father, Charles Nichol-

son, at the RV park at The

Mill Casino that morning

While leaving the RV

park, police say Nicholson

ran over Charles and Linda

Oyster, who were walking

across the street. Charles

Oyster died at the scene

several weeks later in the

and Linda Oyster died

hospital.

before fleeing in his fa-

ther's pickup truck.

the morning of June 18.

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allege multiple counts.

Nicholson killed four

people in one criminal

is alleged to have caused

episode.

BY DAVID RUPKALVIS The World

Oen Evan Nicholson is being held on an \$8 million bond after he was officially charged for murdering four people during a violent spree June 18.

After being returned to Coos County early Friday morning, Nicholson was arraigned Friday in front of Judge Martin Stone. At the arraignment, District Attorney R. Paul Frasier released a secret indictment that revealed Nicholson is being charged with 12 counts of murder in the first degree, two counts of failure to perform duties of a driver to injured persons and two counts of recklessly endangering another person.

A not guilty plea was entered on Nicholson's behalf on all charges.

Frasier said despite the charges, law enforcement is not implying that Nicholson murdered 12 people. Instead, he explained Oregon law says murder

Authors and publishers to take part in Florence Festival of Books

It's time, after an unexpected year off, to attend one of the most popular book fairs in the state – the 10th Florence Festival of Books held in Florence on the Oregon Coast on September 17-18.

On Saturday, the public has the chance to meet with 50 plus authors and several publishers, including such popular authors as Melody Carlson, Bob Welch, and William Sullivan. This book fair is held September 18, at the Florence Events Center between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. The participating authors and publishers are a mix of returning and first-timers. They will sign and personalize any books sold.

For all participants, it's a great opportunity for networking. For future authors with a manuscript or idea, it's a great opportunity to connect with a publisher.

The authors and publishers participating represent many genres - fiction, non-fiction, memoir, children's books, fantasy, romance, mystery, young adult, poetry, and more. It's a great opportunity for early holiday shopping or to add to a personal book collection.

The evening before on Friday, September 17, at 7 p.m. the keynote speaker will be Melody Carlson, who has authored more than 250 books. She is one of America's most prolif-



OEN EVAN NICHOLSON

Police say Nicholson then drove around a mile to the Herbal Choices marijuana dispensary in North Bend, where he went inside and opened fire, killing Jennifer Davidson.

Nicholson then fled the area. He wrecked the pickup truck he was driving in Lane County before he allegedly kidnapped a woman in Springfield, forcing her to drive him more than 30 hours before he turned himself in to police in Wisconsin.

A status conference for the case has been scheduled for October 1.

ic and beloved romance writers. This event is free. but tickets are required due to limited seating.

Another Friday event is the popular panel discussion from 3 to 4:30 p.m. This year it is between two of Oregon's most admired writers - Bob Welch and William Sullivan. Their topic will be "The path from writer to author" with plenty of time for audience questions.

All events are free and held at FEC, 715 Quince. For information, check FFOB website at www. florencefestivalofbooks. org, or to reserve a ticket for Melody Carlson, contact FEC at 541-997-1994 or 888-968-4086.

NW NATURAL FILES NEW RATES IN OREGON

Coquille police holding unclaimed property

The Coquille Police Department has in its physical possession unclaimed personal property as described below: Backpacks Electronics - Cell phones/Tablets Tools Keys Wallets/Purses Bikes Clothing items Golf Clubs If you believe you have

ownership interest in any of the unclaimed property listed above, you must file a claim by completing a "Property Claim: form with the Coquille Police Department within 30 days of the date posted on this notice. Failure to file a claim within this 30-day time frame forfeits all rights to posted property. Property claim forms can be picked up at the Coquille Police Department located at 851

N. Central Blvd. Claimants will be contacted one time at the phone number or email they provided on the claim form. If the Coquille Police Department does not receive a response from the attempt to contact within 10 business days. the claimant forfeits any rights to that property. It is claimant's responsibility to arrange for the retrieval of their property.

Douglas County report-

ed 278 new cases over

the weekend, and Curry

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Advisory

majority, 82 percent, were among people who had not been vaccinated.

In the health advisory, Coos Health & Wellness recommended the community take many of the steps in place last summer during the height of COVID.

The recommendations included:

• Strongly encourage business/venues to implement indoor masking policies and social distancing;

· Encourage food establishments to reduce indoor capacity to 50% of normal operations;

• Outdoor events of larger than 50 to encourage masking and social distancing;

• Postpone any indoor events larger than 50 attendees;

• After travel by air or cruise ship, quarantine/ isolate for three days upon returning or seek testing;

• If symptomatic, stay home from work and get tested: and

· Encourage vaccination

at any local pharmacy or cases, while the state of health clinic. Oregon reported 3,229 The health advisory will cases

remain in place until active cases drop below 120. Over the weekend, Coos

County reported 46 new



On July 30, NW Natural filed its initial request with the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (OPUC) to reflect gas purchases and other miscellaneous adjustments to rates for the upcoming year that begins Nov.1. NW Natural will update this filing in mid-September as part of the regulatory process; it is likely that rates will be slightly higher or lower depending on changes in the market price of natural gas between now and then. These costs are updated in similar filings every year.

HOW MUCH WILL MY GAS BILL CHANGE?

If the rate changes are approved as initially filed, residential rates will increase by about 10.7%, or about \$6.11 a month for customers using an average of 54 therms per month. Small-commercial rates will increase by about 14.5%. Large industrial firm rates will increase by 20%, and large industrial interruptible rates will increase by 20.2%. The rate percentages for large industrial customers do not include pipeline demand charges.

WHY THE PRICE CHANGE?

The primary reason for the price change is to reflect a pass-through to customers of the gas costs NW Natural will pay over the coming year to its suppliers, a true-up of prior year gas cost purchases, and changes in nongas cost activities approved by regulators for inclusion in customer rates.

If approved as filed, NW Natural's net revenues from Oregon customers will increase by \$81,579,662 or 12.61%. The revenue increase is made up of \$49,058,651 of annual adjustments and \$32,521,011 of forecasted gas and demand costs.

While NW Natural is providing information about its proposal and its effect on customers, the calculations and statements are not binding on the OPUC.

HOW CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS FILING?

Copies of the filing are available for inspection at NW Natural's office and at nwnatural.com. For more information about the filing, or notice of the time and place of any hearing, contact NW Natural or the OPUC as follows:

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Landlords need a lifeline, too

BY THOMAS L. KNAPP

As the U.S. Centers for Disease Control moves to extend a federal eviction moratorium that (including its original CARES Act version) has now been in place for most of 18 months and that President Joe Biden himself concedes is "not likely to pass constitutional muster," most of the public rhetoric and advocacy boils down to "what about the tenants?"

That's understandable. Nobody - at least nobody who's ever faced the prospect of homelessness and has any heart at all - wants to see tenants kicked to the curb with nowhere to go, especially tenants who, through no fault of their own, have been pushed into a financial corner by nearly a year-and-a-half of lockdowns, business closures and other fallout from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Much less often asked, though, is the question "what about the landlords?" When that question does come up (and it's coming up in the courts again as the National Apartment Association and other landlord groups sue for compensation pursuant to the Fifth Amendment's "takings" clause) one can almost literally hear the world's smallest violin tuning up in the background.

I'm aware of, and reasonably well versed in, the centuries-long arguments over the ethics of rent and of property in land. I don't aim to settle those arguments here.

Given the long history of land ownership and home/



THOMAS L. KNAPP

haven't been giant corporations with deep pockets. They've been regular people who worked hard, put their money into real estate down payments and tried to keep that real estate occupied by paying tenants until the property was paid off and might perhaps turn a profit or be sold. And even the giant corporations with deep pockets are providing a service to willing customers. They're not charities and shouldn't be expected to act like charities.

During the eviction moratoria, landlords haven't shed themselves of responsibility for keeping the water running, keeping the heat and air conditioning in working order and making mortgage payments. They're still paying, or trying to pay, those costs. But they're not getting the rent that tenants freely agreed to pay before moving in.

If you're looking for a solution that pleases and protects everyone, I'm sorry to say you're reading the wrong column. I have no such solution to offer.

checks of their own.

Thomas L. Knapp



Hate symbols at the county fair

Last month, I attended the Coos County fair in Myrtle Point as it was one of the first events in a long time I could actually get out to and have fun.

I knew the far-right group Citizens Restoring Liberty would be there beforehand, and I wanted to see what agenda they'd be presenting there, but I did actually come for the festivities. Fairs when I was a kid were cool summer events where you rode carnival rides, ate fair food, won a plushie and maybe watched a rodeo. There wasn't any political stuff other than a booth or two.

The rides and such were all there and were fun as it were, but from the moment you get close to the fair, you notice an assortment of right-wing flags. From thin blue line flags and Gadsden flags to Trump flags and racist "rebel" flags, and no Pride flags or anything left. It was a shameful sight and probably drove a few folks away from the fair who would've had a However, given that the blast otherwise. One booth government's solution to had over 20 variants of every COVID-19 problem the "rebel flag," with one so far has been to kick the rainbow flag in the corner. printing presses into high Another booth had enough gear and mail out checks, it Trump merchandise for a seems to me that America's large rally. landlords have a better Then there was Citizens case than most in suing for Restoring Liberty's booth. They had two petitions, gun rights and voter rolls, but the alarming thing for (Twitter: @,thomaslknapp) me to see was a survey is director and senior news about local schools that analyst at the William asked whether or not Lloyd Garrison Center parents wanted their kids for Libertarian Advocacy learning "Critical Race Journalism (thegarrison-Theory," "Transgender center.org). He lives and Theory" (not a theory, works in north central we exist, we're valid and deserve respect), the "1619 Project" and "Bibles taught as history in schools." Two questions asked whether or not students should learn about actual racial history in the U.S. One asks not

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only if kids should learn about "trans theory," but if trans kids should even be respected and they bring up the transphobic bathroom and sports team objections they have, too. It was clear to me then that a fascist agenda was being promoted at the fair and hate symbols were allowed along with it. It was shameful.

Kamryn Stringfield Coos Bay

Support our seniors

In 2015, The World published an article that brought to light a lack of advocacy for senior citizens living in a local memory care facility and the abuse that was occurring. This article brought attention to the fact that Coos County lacked any long-term care ombudsmen. Ten citizens responded to the article and signed up for training. In the years since this article was published, there are only five long-term care ombudsmen remaining for all of Coos

County. The mission of Oregon's Long-Term Care Ombudsmen Program, an independent state agency, is to protect individuals who reside in nursing homes, assisted living facilities and adult foster homes. An ombudsmen's main function is to advocate for the residents to be sure that their rights are being protected, enhance quality of life and promote dignity for all residents. The LTCO Program serves the residents through complaint investigation, resolution and advocacy for improvement in resident care. If you are looking for a rewarding volunteer opportunity, please contact the LTCO in Salem at 1-800-522-2602 or online at www.oltco.org/programs/ ltco-about-us-html. We look forward to working

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LTCO Team Susan Chase, Susann Steinberg, Edith Lanuza, Linda Waterman and Jo Donaldson

My right to know

As a former classroom educator, I am concerned about the stand both school districts seem to be taking regarding COVID. I personally know of school staff, including classroom teachers, who refuse to get vaccinated. While they may see this refusal as their "right," in my opinion they are sadly misguided.

It is their obligation to keep everyone they may come in contact with safe. As a parent it is my right to know whether or not my child's classroom teacher and support staff are vaccinated, and it is, at the very least, the obligation of the district to inform me so I can determine whether or not my child will attend school in person or online. Thank you.

of 255,200,373 people who were aged 18 years or older, and thus, potentially eligible to vote. Of those, 155,475,078 chose to exercise that right. Which left 99,725,295 people more than those who voted for either candidate - who didn't see the importance of voting. This, despite the bombardment of pre-election rhetoric forecasting the end of America as we know it should the other candidate win. One may conclude that they don't share the view that everything is political. Or that politics even matter. They may be too busy living their lives to consider politics worth the effort to get involved with.

What instigated this letter was the recent guest essay in The World 8/6/21 by Thomas L. Knapp regarding vaccination and mask wearing mandates. Mr. Knapp interprets updated scientific finding announcements as political maneuvering with the goal of creating panic. (I can sympathize with this misconception after witnessing the debacle of national leadership of the last several years - one who views everything in political terms can easily slip into that perception.) However imperfect science and politics are, they are, in fact, separate phenomena. I also found his equating the forced jab of a needle in the arm to deliver a life-saving vaccine with the psychological, emotional and physical trauma of sexual assault to be grossly lacking in perspective. It made me question whether his moral compass is intact. There would be no need for mandates if people accepted the responsibilities and obligations their individual freedoms have for their communities.

Joanne Moss North Bend THE WORLD

apartment rental in the United States, though, it seems to me that the plaintiffs have a good case, and that the American "landlord class" deserves a far more sympathetic ear than it's had lately.

I've been a renter for most of my adult life, including times when I could have swung a down payment and qualified for a mortgage to own instead of rent. Renting made more sense for various reasons, including my somewhat itinerant lifestyle - following jobs, following love, etc.

Most of my landlords

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Presumptions are often wrong

After all these years, I am somehow still amazed at the amount of transference people presume. By that I mean, transferring one's own beliefs or view of life onto the motivations of everyone else. I notice this phenomenon most frequently when it comes to political issues. It seems that people who see "politics" in play for every social dynamic are sometimes blinded to the possibility that not everyone is acting from a political agenda.

Let me take some data I found on a Google search from the 2020 election to illustrate my point: The United States had a total

Terry Moore North Bend



carpenter to keeping up the

family properties, which he

was able to do at his own

pace while Eileen worked

as the Pathology Secretary-

transcriptionist at Bay Area

Everett was thankful to

loved by many and will be

He is survived by his

wife of 62 years, Eileen;

Baysinger, Suzan Wren,

Baysinger; sister, Wanda

Maggie Rose Baysinger;

and many beloved family

death by his parents; four

sisters; and four brothers.

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are invited to sign the

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Everett was preceded in

Tanya Wren, Jax and

members and friends.

Nadene Bennetts and David

Lee Roberts; grandchildren;

his children, Steven

Hospital for 31 years.

God every day. He was

deeply missed.

OBITUARIES

Ronald Herbert Carlson

March 22, 1943 - July 24, 2021



Ron Carlson was born on March 22, 1943 in McAuley Hospital in Marshfield, Oregon to Fredrick and Clara (Goodman) Carlson. He died July 24, 2021 in North Bend, at the age of 78.

He grew up and attended school in Eugene and Springfield, graduating from Springfield High School in 1961. He was a veteran of the United States Navy and earned his Associate's degree in forestry from Southwestern Oregon Community College. He worked in plywood mills

and the woods and later as a painting and fencing contractor. He had been a member of the Northwest Steelheaders, Eagles Lodge, and Dolphin Players. He was an avid sportsman and loved being outdoors.

Ron is survived by his wife of almost 48 years, Alice Carlson; brothers Russell Brazeal of Eugene, and Tom Carlson and wife, Davida of Willows, CA; step-brother, Jerry Dean and wife, Linda of North Bend; nephews, Joshua Carlson of Willows, CA, Neil Walker of Federal Way, WA and Ken Walker of Seattle, WA; nieces, Stephanie Robertson of Cabool, MO, Kristy Winegar of Chester, CA, Charlene Ruggiero of Susanville, CA, Jennifer Haro of Chico, CA, and Melissa Reynolds and husband, Jeff of Portola, CA; close friends, Richard and Laura Hill of Roswell, NM; and caregiver, Bunny

Leeth.

Ron was preceded in death by his mother and stepfather, Clara and Ray Dean; father and stepmother, Fred and Mabel Carlson; stepbrothers, Bob and Bruce Barclay; and stepsister, Charlotte Packard.

A celebration of life is scheduled for August 28, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. at Bastendorff County Park, followed by a picnic. Masks are requested. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Coos County STEP Commission, PO Box 1611, North Bend, OR 97459 or to South Coast Hospice, 1620 Thompson Road, Coos Bay, OR 97420. Friends and family are encouraged to sign the online guestbook at www.coosbayareafunerals. com and www.theworldlink. com. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

husband, Tom Stillion

of Coos Bay; son, Tim

and Shanna Stillion of

Coos Bay; son, Randy

and Teresa Stillion of

Springfield; daughter,

Pam and Rodney Wood of

9 great grandchildren; and

"Mom was the most

hearted, beautiful spirited,

Elmira; 9 grandchildren;

sister, Alberta Stout of

caring, loving, warm

family first, unselfish,

mom anybody could ask

for, tremendous loss to this

family. Un-Replaceable."

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Everett Baysinger

A memorial service for Everett Baysinger, 80, of Coos Bay, will be held at 2 pm, Tuesday, August 17, 2021 at the Lighthouse Temple, 91529 Oleson Lane in Coos Bay. Everett was born

December 10, 1940 in Marshall, Arkansas to Irvin and Una Zelmona (Clingings) Baysinger. He passed away July 29, 2021 in Coos Bay.

Everett married Eileen

October 1, 1956 - July 31, 2021



July 31, 2021, Faye Elizabeth Hammond, 63 of Winston Oregon, formerly longtime Coos Bay resident had passed. She was born October 1, 1956 in Grants Pass, Oregon to late father, Alvin Byrd and mother, Emily Carolyn Lee of Oakland, Oregon

Douglas County area with her brothers, Mike and Pat Byrd. Eventually they moved to Coos County

Kimberly Ann Alex-

ander, 54, of Port Orford,

formerly of Coos Bay,

passed away August 3,

2021 in Port Orford. Ar-

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care of Coos Bay Chapel,

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Rebecca M. Pittman,

46, of Salem, passed away

on August 3, 2021 in Coos

Bay. Arrangements are un-

der the care of North Bend

Michael A. Irvine, 75,

Chapel, 541-756-0440.

of Lakeside died August

5, 2021 in Creswell. No

held. Cremation rites will

public service will be

be held at Ocean View

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matory, Coos Bay under

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Wilder in April of 1959 and graduated in 1961. The couple already had two children. The following morning after graduation, the family hooked up their 1949 Studebaker, packed their 1 ¹/₂ year-old son, Steven and 6-month-old daughter, Suzan into the car (with no seatbelts back then) and headed for Yakima, Washington, where a carpenter's job was waiting. Everett worked at five dams and moved at least 8 or 9 times.

moved to Coos Bay. They had another daughter, Nadene and son, David. They settled into a small house they had purchased several years prior. Everett became involved in the local carpenters union and was elected to the executive committee and president for several years.

injury and switched from his occupation as a Union

Faye Elizabeth Hammond



She grew up in the

By 1969 the family

Later, Everett suffered an

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Donna Jean Stillion

April 25, 1938 – December 16, 2020



Cremation Rites have been held for Donna Jean Stillion, 82, of Coos Bay, under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary. Inurnment will be at the Sumner Cemetery,

Sumner, Oregon. Donna was born April 25, 1938 in Coos Bay, Oregon, the daughter of Albert and Evelyn (Catching) Yates. She was raised and educated in Coos Bay and graduated from Marshfield in 1957 where she was known for playing the accordion. She married Thomas Stillion on August 14, 1957 in Coos Bay. Donna and Tom owned and operated Tom & Gig's Auto Body and Repair.

Donna enjoyed gardening, cooking and caning, and most of all, spending time with her family.

She is survived by her

in Monmouth teaching

Geraldine Teresa Metcalf June 2, 1929 – July 30, 2021



migrant workers. She worked as Ketchikan General Hospital Daycare Director until she retired in 1995. She volunteered for several years for the Ketchikan Hospital gift shop working in the gift shop and crocheting items for the gift shop. Geri enjoyed reading, sewing, knitting, crocheting, quilting and she loved doing genealogy and enjoyed sharing it with others. After she was unable to read herself, she enjoyed having her loving daughter, Nellie, read to her. She married Henry Amos Metcalf, November 3, 1956 in Empire, Oregon. She and Henry "Bud" Metcalf moved to Ketchikan, Alaska in 1982 where she lived until her

death.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Henry Amos "Bud" Metcalf; a son, Michael John Talerico; and a granddaughter, Angela Teresa Talerico.

where she graduated from Marshfield High school. She went on to get married and have 3 sons with Eric Anderson. Later in life she had 2 more children with

Steve Miller. Faye grew up chasing her brothers and helping any injured animal along the way. She enjoyed life, her family, and many friends. Faye was always wearing a smile and had a laugh to share to brighten and lift spirits of others. Her children and grandchildren were the pride and joy of her life. She tried to stand solid raising her 5 children, and was proud as a peacock of her children's accomplishments, and to be a grandmother. The legacy of her kind spirit, warm heart, love of nature, animals, beaches, books and song will live on. She was preceded in

death by her first-born son, Zachary Anderson and



brother, Pat Byrd. Faye is survived by her sons, Jake Anderson of Coos Bay, Jared Anderson of

Coquille, and Patrick Miller of Winston; daughter, Emily Carmichael of Bandon; and many more family members throughout the country.

A celebration of Life will be held in at the community center in Bandon, 1200 11th St SW Bandon OR 97411 at 1:30 pm.

Geraldine Teresa Metcalf, 92, of Ketchikan, Alaska passed away July 30, 2021. She was born June 2, 1929 in Coos Bay, Oregon, the daughter of the late Charles McGeorge and Jeanette (Sickman) McGeorge. She graduated from High School in Mexico City, where she lived from 1942 to 1948. After graduating she moved back to Coos Bay and attended SWOCC for two years before moving to Dallas, Oregon where she graduated from Western Oregon University at Monmouth, Oregon in 1971. After graduating from college, she worked at Camp Adair

SERVICE **NOTICES**

A memorial service will be held for Gertrude T. Palmer, 89, of Coos Bay, on Saturday, August 14th at 11:00 a.m. at the Charleston Community Baptist Church. A reception will follow in the Porter Hall. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

A celebration of life for Florence Shirley (Farmer, Harms, Watson) Kellum, 93, of Coos Bay, will be held at 10 am, Saturday, August 14 at the Coos Bay Chapel, 685 Anderson Avenue in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 www.coosbayareafunerals.com

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She is survived by her sons, Chuck Metcalf (Judy) of Coos Bay, OR, Frank Talerico of Fountain Hills, AZ and Bill Metcalf (Chris) of West Salem, WI; daughters, Jean (Leroy) Jones of Anchorage, AK and Nellie (Chuck) Marshall of Ketchikan, AK: a brother. Pat Elliot of Overland Park, KS; two step brothers; George McGeorge (Debbie) of Myrtle Point, OR and Jack Taylor (Sandy) of Hereford, AZ: several grandchildren and great grandchildren.

There will be no services

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Dennis Roy Tennant, 74, of Lakeside passed away August 3, 2021 in Springfield. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 www.coosbayareafunerals. com

Jeffrey Paul Klausen, 58, of Charleston passed away August 3, 2021 in Charleston. Arrangements are under the care of Sunset Memorial Park, 541-267-7182 www.coosbavareafunerals.com

Charles L. Smith, 72, of North Bend, passed away on August 7, 2021 in North Bend. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440, www.coosbayareafunerals.com.

Robert Walter Herbert Gunther, 88, of Coquille, died August 9, 2021 in Portland. Arrangements are under the direction of Amling Schroeder Funeral Service, Coquille.

Amy E. Kralicek, 58, of Beaverton, passed away July 31, 2021 in Hillsboro. Interment was at Sunset Memorial Park under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

William R. "Rusty" Roane, 57, of Reedsport, passed away August 4, 2021 in Coos Bay. Cremation Rites under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

Elwood W. Deloney, 78 of Coos Bay, passed away August 7, 2021 in Coos Bay. Cremation Rites under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

Hardy Christensen, 91, of Bandon, died August 9, 2021 in Bandon.

Arrangements are under the direction of Amling Schroeder Funeral Service, Bandon

DEAR ABBY By Abigail Van Buren

RETIREMENT HASN'T CHANGED COUPLE'S LONG-TERM ROUTINE

DEAR ABBY: My husband retired a few months ago. I was a stay-at-home mom for most of our married life but have worked part time for several years. I always took care of all the household chores because he supported us financially.

Now he's retired, and nothing has changed. I'm still doing all the cooking, cleaning, laundry, taking care of the business matters and working part time. Although I have always done whatever it takes to keep the peace, I am becoming increasingly resentful. I don't know how to break this pattern. I've never had the

nerve to speak up and express my anger or frustration for fear of getting into a huge fight. Can you give me any advice to help me get out of this trap I've built for myself? -- STUCK IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR STUCK: Your husband isn't a mind reader. Ending your silence is the way out of the "trap." It is what has given him license. If necessary, HAVE that "huge fight." It may be the answer to a more equitable sharing of responsibilities. But if it isn't, then it's time for counseling -- to not only help you better communicate, but also, if necessary, mediate.

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COVID-19 testing increases at Southern Coos

BANDON – COVID-19 cases are on the rise once again across Coos County, Oregon and nationwide, and Bandon is no exception.

Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center has seen a surge in COVID-19 testing in the past two weeks.

While SCHHC does not have any COVID-19 hospitalizations at this time, recent local cases have prompted testing by people who may have been exposed to the virus.

COVID-19 affects different people in different ways. Infected people have had a wide range of symptoms reported, from mild to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus and can include: a fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, nausea or vomiting or diarrhea.

If you think you might have COVID, SCHHC is here for you. If you think you have been exposed or are feeling ill, it is best to contact your medical care provider.

However, if you don't have a medical care provider or insurance, and you work in Bandon, even if you live elsewhere, you are considered an "essential worker" and can receive a COVID test at SCHHC at no cost to you.

To do so, call 541-347-2426, ext. 172. If you do not have a physician's referral, you can still receive a test.

To avoid potential spread of the virus, people are advised to

call the above number instead of entering the hospital. SCHHC medical staff will come to your vehicle and administer the test.

A registration table has been set up outside the hospital to accommodate the increase in testing. People can pull beside the table to get registered, then park and wait in their car for a lab technician to come out. Please be patient with the process, as SCHHC employees work to keep it flowing smoothly.

The community can rest assured that SCHHC continues to mask, social distance and screen everyone, including employees, who enter the hospital. SCHHC will continue to adhere to Oregon Health Authority recommendations regarding COVID protocols as cases surge.

"Vaccinated or not, if you don't feel well and have concerning symptoms, please call your physician and consider get tested," urged SCHHC Acting CEO Debi Ellis. "SCHHC is ready with competent and credentialed medical staff to safely test people and to respond appropriately in the case of positive COVID-19 cases. We appreciate your patience with the process."

Unvaccinated individuals account for 97% of the current COVID-19 hospitalizations and deaths in the U.S., according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

There have been 154 positive COVID cases in the past 14 days in Coos County, for an infection rate of 238.8 per 100,000 population, according to the COVID-19 Case Mapper.

One death has been reported in

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Contributed photo Employees Deb Steele, right, and Michelle Jurgenson are set up to register anyone wishing to receive a COVID test at Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center in Bandon.

Coos County in the last 14 days. The vaccination rate in Coos County is 59.6%.

In Oregon, there have been 10,818 cases in the last 14 days for a 256.5 rate per 100,000 population and 40 fatalities. The statewide vaccination rate is 69.3%.

The CDC's July 27 updated mask guidance recommends all

people, regardless of vaccination status, wear a mask in indoor public spaces when in an area of substantial or high COVID-19 transmission.

The CDC and SCHHC officials urge people who are unvaccinated to get the vaccine.

All three vaccines used in the U.S. – the one-dose Johnson & Johnson, and the two-dose

Moderna and Pfizer vaccines are widely available throughout Coos and Curry counties. The Pfizer vaccine is approved for youths 12 and older.

To find vaccine availability close to you, call the Coos County Vaccine Scheduler Line at 541-435-8336 or visit https:// www.communityhealth.events/ scheduler/.

On-site nurse pays big dividends at Ocean Crest

By BECKY ARMISTEAD Guest Article





Contributed photo Kelly Hultin was recently named the non-clinical

The Ocean Crest Health Room, sponsored by Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center and the Bandon School District, has been an enormous support for our students and staff this past year as we worked diligently to provide a safe and nurturing environment for our Tiger Cubs returning to school following the COVID-19 pandemic school closures of spring 2020.

What started as an idea from the Southern Coos Health Foundation has now become a reality for the Tiger Cubs at Ocean Crest Elementary School.

Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center has coordinated with the BSD to provide a community health nurse practitioner, Tamara Stambaugh, to work from Ocean Crest for two hours each morning.

Nurse Tamara provided support with health records management (immunizations) and student health needs, as well as helping Ocean Crest navigate the quarantine expectations if/ when a student became ill with primary COVID-19 symptoms during the school day.

During a typical day, Nurse Tamara may see students for issues including headache, fever, malaise, coughing, lice, stomach ache, bumps and bruises from the playground or general malaise. This is an incredible help to the Ocean Crest office team as we have historically handled all of those things through the office. It's a little more intimidating to manage those things in the face of a global pandemic.

Knowing that my first and most important job as elementary principal is to keep our students and staff safe at school, it was an incredible relief to have the support and expertise of Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center and

Tamara Stambaugh

Nurse Tamara to assist us in navigating the ever-changing health protocols associated with the COVID-19 pandemic.

But that wasn't the only benefit to our school and community. Many of our families struggle with access to medical care based on lack of insurance or financial strain caused by co-payments, loss of work to get to an appointment, cost of transportation, etc.

As principal, I worked closely with Nurse Tamara, the SCHHC Clinic Manager Karen Stafford, and the SCHHC CIO and SCHF Executive Director Scott McEachern to make this dream a reality and we are excited to continue this vision in the upcoming school year, hopefully expanding Nurse Tamara's reach to include our 5th-8th grade students at Harbor Lights Middle School, where I am now principal.

As we move into the new school year with new district leadership in all buildings, I am excited to be able to continue my work with Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center and the Southern Coos Health Foundation to expand the access to medical services for the children in Bandon.

Becky Armistead serves on the Southern Coos Health Foundation Board of Directors. She has been the principal at Ocean Crest Elementary School since August 2015, and in August 2021 assumed her new role as principal at Harbor Lights Middle School, both located in Bandon.

Employee of the Month for Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center. Hultin works as a biller and has been with the hospital for 20 years.

Kelly Hultin named non-clinical Employee of the Month at SCHHC

BANDON - Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center's non-clinical Employee of the Month for June is Kelly Hultin.

Hultin first joined SCHHC in April 2001 and is on her 20th year with the hospital.

"Kelly absolutely makes a difference to the team's success," Hultin's nomination states. "Over the years, she has become a very valuable employee in our patient financial and patient admitting departments."

Hultin is currently a biller III. During the past year, she has taken on added duties and filled in as needed in the admitting department. She has volunteered on her own to cover the switchboard during lunch hours.

Hultin was nominated because "she is always going above and beyond to help the team and our patients whenever she is asked and wherever there is a need. She is very dedicated to her job and her co-workers have come to rely on Kelly as the insurance 'guru' whenever they have questions."

"Kelly has a great work ethic, is always reliable and she is an advocate for our patients," the nomination continues. "Kelly displays a positive attitude, always has a smile to give and is ready to jump in whenever needed to help the team accomplish tasks on time."

Hultin grew up in the Portland area, then moved to California where she married and had two children. She moved to Bandon in 1986 because she wanted her children to grow up in a rural area. She has ties to the area – her aunt Jo Heinzman has lived in Langlois for many years, and Hultin and her family would visit. Once she moved to Bandon, Kelly met Jack Hultin and they have been married for 33 years.

Hultin's son Jeremy Swift lives in the Portland area and works as an HVAC foreman. He has a son who is 15 and a daughter who is 13. Hultin's daughter Tessa Swift lives in McMinnville where she works in the IT department for McMinnville and is raising her 8-year-old son.

Prior to working at SCHHC, Hultin worked for the Bandon School District as a teaching assistant and coached middle school track. She also worked at the Minute Café in the summers.

Her husband Jack is a licensed contractor and owns Garage Door Service here in Bandon, which he took over from Ivan Hultin in 2008. She likes her job at the hospital because it's challenging.

"I bill insurance companies and get the hospital money, which involves a lot of appeals," Hultin said. "It's also kind of nice to work in admitting too. It gives me a break to be around the public and you get to know a lot of patients."

Hultin appreciates her co-workers as well.

"Leslie (Tucker), Carolyn (Randolph) and Cathy (Mann) have all also been here for a long time too. I really enjoy working with them and with the admitting staff."

Hultin likes to take walks around the hospital campus during her breaks, often joined by a co-worker or two.

At home, Kelly and Jack have about a dozen chickens and two very large brush goats that keep the brush down around their property. She describes them as similar to small ponies. From the chickens, Hultin sells farm-fresh eggs to employees.

In her spare time, Hultin spends time tending to her garden and animals and, when they can get together, cherishes time with her children and grandchildren.

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AS I SEE IT

By MARY SCHAMEHORN

Although the first picture I am sharing this week, of a man spraying chemicals on gorse in town, was taken a few years later, there was a lot of activity in 1950 concerning the eradication of gorse.

For many who had lived through the fire, only 14 years earlier, they could not forget the horror of losing their homes and they were ready to do what it would take to get rid of the gorse.

In May of 1950, the voters passed a five-mill, five-year property tax levy with its number one goal to address the gorse problem. Part of the money was also to go to improved street lighting and a replacement fund for a new fire truck.

Emboldened by support of the voters, the city was ready to start on its gorse control program "as soon as owners of gorse-infested property indicate their willingness to allow the city to go on the property for that purpose," said an article in the Western World.

The first step, which was to bulldoze fire trails where needed, was to be started as soon as property owners granted the necessary easement, which would allow the city access to the property for a period of five years for the sole purpose of destroying gorse by burning, cutting or chemical treatment. The easements were not recorded and were not assignable, so they would not interfere with sale of the property.

The recommended plan was to burn the gorse first, wherever possible, both as a first step in the treatment, and to reduce the existing fire hazard. After burning, and when the gorse was from two to six inches high, the area was to be sprayed with a mixture of chemicals at the rate of four pounds per acre.

Several weeks later, on the Fourth of July, firemen battled flaming gorse for two hours on the bluff overlooking the beach (second photo) after fire broke out during the aerial

sure I had already looked through all the family photos, so I begrudgingly spent some time dutifully going through the boxes. Boy was I wrong.

You can imagine the thrill when I found an envelope of 21 2"x3" photos taken within days of the Bandon Fire of September 1936 by my grandmother, Grace Felsheim. And, best of all, she noted on the back of each photo what had been there before the fire.

There was even one of my 20-year-old mother standing next to the ruins of the family home, labeled "Martine (short for Martha Virginia) next to her 'home.' " All that remained was a large stone fireplace and the chimney. Mother had left the previous weekend for her sophomore year of college, riding back to Eugene with her neighbor Raymond McNair. An accomplished pianist, she had left her prized sheet music collection in a box on the glassed-in porch at their 11th Street home, planning to return the following week to take them to the university with her. So, while she did save her clothes and other things she had taken to college, her prized sheet music collection was gone. But then considering that my grandparents were spending the weekend of the fire in Florence on a short vacation, and it took three days to get back to Bandon because of the burned out bridges, sheet music is only a very small part of what both sides of my family lost in the fire. They virtually saved nothing except what was in the Western World office, which, while damaged, remained intact.

To say that these photos are priceless is an understatement. They are some of the best I have ever seen of what remained after the fire.

I scanned them into my computer and then gave them to Jim Proehl at the museum, who scanned them at a much higher resolution, so they could be further preserved.

I have always wondered if locals, or even people who used to live here, had pictures of the fire that we had never seen. But I certainly did not expect to find them among my family's possessions. I am guessing that after my grandmother died in 1973, my mother inherited her treasures, but instead of going through them, they were apparently put away for safekeeping. Mother died in 2013 at the age of 96, so we are finally going through boxes that had been in storage and out of sight for nearly 50 years.

them on the Internet.

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Years of fighting gorse

I recently saw a study done by United Van Lines, which determines which states people are moving to ... and which states they are leaving.

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I think I've figured out why the rental market is so hot; it seems that Oregon is the No. 2 destination of people fleeing other states, and the only state with a larger influx of people is Idaho. Our neighbor to the north, Washington, is fifth, while our neighbor to the south, California, is the No. 1 state that people are leaving followed by Iowa, Virginia, Mississippi, New Jersey, Illinois and New York.

Places with great weather, like Florida (No. 7) and Arizona (No. 3), are also considered desirable places to live.

Housing prices definitely vary in different states. For example, the median price of a home in Boise, Ida., is \$332,698; in San Francisco, the median price is \$1.32 million. The median price of a home in Oregon was said to be \$344,200.

I really thought that with the mess in Portland that more people would be leaving Oregon; but wow, was I wrong. It seems that Oregon's plentiful trees and lush vegetation are big draws as is the fact that "Oregon is rife with tech industry jobs," particularly in the Portland-Hillsboro area, which is referred to as the "Silicon Forest." I've heard Portland called a lot of things lately, but no sense going there

Learning recently that 19 percent of the Covid cases in Oregon are breakthrough cases, meaning that vaccinated people are testing positive, has made me a bit uneasy about a post that I read this week concerning three employees who had tested positive at the Bandon VFW Post. The commander was urging anyone who had been at the post on the previous weekend to be tested. A lot of us were out there for the memorial service for Ken Butler, and we were in pretty close quarters for at least an hour and for some much longer than that. So far, I haven't heard if any of the guests have tested positive, but I do know that there was a big surge in the number of people who came to Southern Coos Hospital last week wanting to be tested. I also hope this will result in an increase of those getting vaccinated. I did read that 95 percent of those hospitalized with Covid in Oregon are people who have not been vaccinated. Amy Moss Strong in the Bandon Buzz Saturday had a list of businesses which have closed or reduced their hours due to COVID exposure and staffing shortages. As of Aug. 7, they included Tony's Crab Shack, The Loft, Subway,



Photos contributed by the Mary Schamehorn collection

The city of Bandon began fighting to eradicate gorse in the 1950s after the invasive weed played a role in the fire that destroyed Bandon. Middle, gorse burned for two hours after a fireworks display started a fire. Bottom, Hazel Colgrove president of the Bandon Women's Civic Club, presents Lloyd's owner Mel Dahl with a plaque.



Tin Cup Coffee, Rancho Viejo, The Human Bean, Herbal Choices and the VFW Hall

The Old Town parking situation was made even more critical this week when Lisa Schilling, who owns the lot between First and Highway 101 adjacent to Fillmore Avenue, closed it. Earlier, Fred Gernandt, who owns the large gravel parking lot on First Street, across from the Port's marketplace building, fenced it off.

The parking situation became even more dire



fireworks display.

The fire started shortly after 9 p.m. with the chamber of commerce fireworks display underway about a half mile north on Coquille Point. The fire came so close to the G. R. McNair home that the McNairs had moved many household items from the smokefilled house before the fire was controlled.

Still determined to address the problem, the city declared Sept. 24, 1950, as "Gorse-Killing Day" and urged all able-bodied men to meet in city park, armed with axe, brush hook or hand saw. They would be split off into groups, each of which would attack one small section of growing gorse somewhere in town. The mayor and the councilmen had donated their month's pay to furnish coffee and cream for the community picnic, with the women of the community to provide the food.

Unfortunately, it rained the day, and Gorse-Killing Day was not held.

It is clear from the amount of gorse that still exists in the community, efforts through the years to eradicate it have not worked.

The third picture I am sharing was taken in May of 1958 as Hazel Colgrove, president of the Bandon Women's Civic Club, presents Lloyd's owner Mel Dahl with a plaque for his long-time support of the club, which held their meetings at Lloyd's.

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Recently, one of my siblings found several boxes of mostly family pictures, and it was suggested that I might want to look through them before we determined what to throw away and what to keep. I was pretty

I will be sharing some of the best ones in coming weeks

When I think of the money I have spent in the past few years purchasing old postcards of Bandon and newspaper photos of the fire (some for more than \$25 apiece), I can only imagine what I would have paid for a treasure trove like this had I found

Saturday when a large wedding was held on Jetty Road, with cars parked all along the road and partially up Edison Avenue (better known to locals as Coast Guard Hill).

A woman who lives on Beach Loop Road told me Sunday how awful the parking situation has become during the Circles in the Sand events, which are sometimes held two or three times in a week. She said she is looking at moving from the community and told me that her neighbor is on tranquilizers because she is so upset over the illegal parking along Beach Loop.

And the city is getting ready to put "no parking" signs along one side of Face Rock Drive because it is so dangerous on "Circles" days that neighbors say an emergency vehicle could not get through the cars parked on both sides of the street.

Believe me, we hear the concerns, but there is no easy solution. Beach Loop definitely needs to be posted "no parking," and then it would need to be enforced.

I guess it's safe to say "Bandon has been found," now we just need to figure out where all our visitors can park... and not in

someone's front yard.

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Lately, I've been seeing a lot of familiar faces, but not under the happiest of circumstances as most have been at memorial services, with the latest on Sunday for long-time resident Jim Reilly.

The Reillys backyard was the setting for friends and family to gather in memory of Jim, with Donna and her children and grandchildren on hand to make people feel welcome.

We've all lost way too many friends this summer....





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Cherishing memories of Dad and sports

BY JOHN GUNTHER

I don't recall Dad ever being an official coach, but he was around sports so much, probably the result of having six sons.

I started thinking about so many of those times after Dad died early Monday morning.

I never knew much about Dad's own athletic achievements, but from stories I have heard, he could have been a pretty gifted track athlete growing up in New York.

From my own experience, he was a decent softball player — we used to play as a family at picnics and he played catch with us when we were first playing baseball.

I was a little young to clearly remember when Dad was an umpire for Little League games in Phoenix back when we still lived in Talent and my older brothers were on teams, but I know he and Mom watched all of us playing ball while we were growing up. They watched my brother Andy a bunch, because he went furthest in the game. I don't know how many hamburgers Dad ate from the Clyde Allen Field concession stand during American Legion games, but I'm sure it was a pretty big number.

Andy had the benefit of being the youngest in the family, so after I graduated, Mom and Dad went to many of his contests, home and away.

But Dad made it to a lot of events for all of us, including grandchildren when possible.

His last sports events were watching my niece Mariella play basketball for Valley Catholic in the state tournament at North Bend High School in June.

He celebrated all of our accomplishments, more of



uation and the proudest I ever saw him was when one of my brothers or I received a major award of some sort.

Long after all his sons were out of school, he became a football fan for Oregon State University, watching games with my brothers, who were season ticket holders.

He yelled at the refs along with the rest of us and celebrated with Allen and Steve and Andy in the stadium when the Beavers beat Notre Dame in the Fiesta Bowl.

But I know he treasured those days mostly because of the hours before and after the actual games spending time with his grown family, including late nights a few times with me driving back from Corvallis when we talked about football and life.

Dad of course was a life coach. I learned how to fish from him, though that never really caught on with me. I also learned to change a tire, use a chainsaw and file my taxes from him.

Not to mention the value of husband and wife as partners together, from his marriage of over 50 years to Mom before she died from cancer and his marriage of his final years to beloved Patsy, the newest treasured addition to the Gunther family.

Before all my adult life lessons, I certainly appreciated the efforts he went to getting to my sports contests.

When I was on the B team for basketball at Coquille Valley Elementary School (the equivalent of junior varsity), he managed to get off work every time I was playing at one of the schools in the Bay Area, where he worked for the Bureau of Land Management.

When I was on the actual JV team as a sophomore and junior in high school, he went to work early after driving me in to practice before school started, and made it to the gym in time for tip-off for my home games. And there were the

weekend cross country and track meets.

One of my favorite pictures of me is from the state track meet my senior year, not because I had particularly great form coming out of the blocks for the 4x100-meter relay, but because Dad was there to take that picture at Mount Hood Community College despite Andy suffering an ankle injury a couple of days earlier that should have given Dad plenty of reason to stay home.

The first time I went to Portland, it was when we went as a family to watch my brother Steve compete in the state meet on the same track.

Dad had a front-row seat for a lot of Steve's track successes as the head timer for Coquille High School. Years later, I found myself in the same role, one that I've held for more than a couple of decades.

I'm not sure it's because of anything Dad did specifically, though it's certainly something I got from him. He had a love for volunteer work, including years helping people file their taxes through the AARP program and three decades or so helping Boy Scouts complete their path to becoming Eagle Scouts.

That's probably where Dad was our biggest "coach."

Before he started his work with the Eagle Board, he was a leader for Troop 63 — Scoutmaster for most of us — helping all six of his sons reach the rank of Eagle.

He taught us all camping skills, including knot tying, as well as leadership skills and everything else we needed to become Eagle scouts.

I spent many, many weekends with Dad on Scout trips, both with Troop 63 and for the Order of the Arrow, an honor organization for Scouts. They are some of my

treasured memories.

So are times sharing a bottle of wine and multiple games of cribbage when I was a cub reporter for The World living at home my first year out of college before starting my own road down happily ever after with Lori.

And I will cherish golf with Dad.

Dad loved golf, or rather, he loved golf courses.

We spent many afternoons together on golf courses — me playing and him walking along. I don't remember Dad ever taking a swing on one of the golf courses on the South Coast, but he loved the nature.

When we were at Cedar Bend Golf Course near Gold Beach he marveled at the variety of trees that were there.

Dad was with me the first time I played Bandon Dunes, way back in 1998, the fall before it opened.

He was with me the first time I played Bandon Crossings, too.

Even though he wasn't a golfer, he knew right away both courses were special. He was right.

In the past few days, a number of people from the community have reached out to tell me Dad was special.

They, too, were right.



Practice starts Monday for sports in Oregon

After a school year during which the sports schedule was dramatically shifted due to the COVID-19 pandemic, high school athletes around the state begin practice for the fall sports Monday.

Football, volleyball, cross country and soccer teams, as well as cheerleading squads, can begin official practices Monday, with the first contests only a few weeks away.

During the 2020-21 school year, the entire sports year was compressed into short seasons that started in February.

This year, things get back to normal, with traditional seasons including a ninegame regular season for football and similarly traditional season lengths for the other sports.

There are some changes to leagues in football, as recommended by the Oregon School Activities Association's Ad Hoc Football Committee and approved by the OSAA Executive Board in May.

In Class 5A, the special district North Bend is in has been reduced by three schools.

The new-look Special District 4 is similar to all the other regular sports for the Midwestern League, with the notable addition of Class 6A South Eugene, which has been in the league for football, and without North Eugene, which will play down to Class 4A for football.

In addition, Redmond and Ridgeview have been moved to Special District 1 after being in the same league with North Bend the past few years.

North Bend will play an eight-game league schedule including all the other teams in the district and leaving room for the annual rivalry game with Marshfield, scheduled for Sept. 17 at Pete Susick Stadium.

North Eugene, meanwhile, will be part of the Sky-Em League (Class 4A District 4) along with Marshfield, Cottage Grove, Elmira and Marist Catholic.

Regular Sky-Em League members Junction City and Siuslaw both play at the Class 3A level for football only.

In another change, Reedsport is back with its regular Sunset Conference

members for football after being part of a different special district the past two years. Class 2A Special District 4 includes Bandon, Coquille, Reedsport, Glide, Illinois Valley, Lakeview and Rogue River.

Regular Sunset Conference schools Myrtle Point and Gold Beach both will again play 8-man football, in Class 1A District 1 with many other schools in the southern part of the state.

Powers was part of a cooperative agreement with North Bend during the last regular season, two years ago, and joined Myrtle Point for a coop during the season earlier this year, but will have its own team again this year, in the 6-man format the Cruisers used the two years before that.

The first football contests will be jamborees scheduled for Friday, Aug. 27. North Bend will be at Cottage Grove and Marshfield in Eugene against Churchill and Sheldon that night.

The first day volleyball matches can be held is Aug. 26 and Marshfield hosts a jamboree that day that also includes North Bend and Coquille. Bandon jumps into the season the same day with home matches against Pacific and Oakland and Reedsport is at Oakridge on opening day.

The soccer season also can start as early as Aug. 26.

North Bend's boys open the season Aug. 28 at Brookings-Harbor and visit Marshfield on Aug. 31, which will be the first game for the Pirates.

North Bend's girls open against Brookings-Harbor at home on Aug. 28 and host Marshfield on Sept. 1, also Marshfield's first match.

The cross country season also can open Aug. 26.

North Bend, Bandon and Reedsport will participate in the Umpqua Opener at Stewart Park in Roseburg on Aug. 27. Marshfield's season starts Sept. 10 in

the Country Fair Classic at Elmira.

Schedules for football, volleyball and soccer can be found at www.osaa.org, while cross country schedules can be found at www.athletic.net.

Montgomery wins 50-lap race at speedway

Brody Montgomery won the featured 50-lap main event in the annual Super Late Model Tidal Wave 50 at Coos Bay Speedway on Saturday night.

Montgomery beat fellow Bandon drivers Braden Fugate and Wayne Butler to the finish line to win the long race, which took about 18 minutes.

Butler had won the heat race, followed by Montgomery.

In other races Saturday night, Josh Kralicek won the Sportsman Late Models main event ahead of Ryan Emry after Dustin Hitner won the heat race; Loren McIntyre was champion in Street Stocks with Steve Dubisar second after McIntyre and Peyton Reigard won the heat races; Scott Beaudoin took the Mini Outlaws with Tristen Davison second and heat race winner Seth Christian third; Kris Parker won the biggest division of the night, the Hornets, with Hannah Robison second after Parker and Robison won the heat races; and Alex Butler was the winner in Junior Stingers in a rare result where Griff Smith didn't take the checkered flag as she beat Tallon Dubisar among the youngest drivers. Smith and Dubisar won the heat races, but Smith wasn't able to finish the main event.

Smith was among the winners a week earlier on Whelen Fan Appreciation Night, along with Montgomery (America's Mattress Super Late Models), Tahlan Rogers (Sportsman Late Models), Christian (Street Stocks and Hornets); Beaudoin (Mini Outlaws) and Josh King (Dwarf Cars).

This weekend, the drag racers take the stage in the annual Bugs and Bikes Show & Shine weekend with racing on Saturday and Sunday. Both days the gates open at 8 a.m., with time trials starting at 11 a.m. and bracket racing at 1 p.m. Admission is \$12 (free for children 6 and under) and the entry fee for drivers is \$50.

The oval track is back in action Monday with the Week of Speed event featuring ISCS Sprint Cars and the Dwarf Cars as well as local racers in the Street Stocks and Hornets divisions. The grandstands open at 5 p.m. and racing starts at 7. Admission is \$15 for adults, \$13 for senior citizens and students 7 to 17, free for children 6 and under and \$45 for a family pass.

Sponsor Appreciation night on the oval is Saturday, Aug. 21, featuring all the local divisions and the OTRO Hard Tops. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$8 for students and senior citizens, free for kids 6 and under and \$25 for a family pass.

For a complete schedule, visit www.coosbayspeedway.us.

Whelen Fan Appreciation Night July 31

America's Mattress Super Late Models — Heat Race: 1. Brody Montgomery, Bandon; 2. Wayne Butler, Bandon; 3. Braden Fugate, Bandon; 4. Hannah Robison, Myrtle Point. Main Event: 1. Brody Montgomery; 2. Wayne Butler; 3. Braden Fugate; 4. Hannah Robison. Sportsman Late Models — Heat Race: 1. Tahlan Rogers, Albany: 2. Dustin Hitner, Coos Bay; 3. Josh Kralicek Coos Bay: 4 Jacob Emry Corvallis; 5. Bid Van Loon, Winston; 6. Ryan Emry, Corvallis.Main Event: 1. Tahlan Rogers; 2. Dustin Hitner; 3. Ryan Emry; 4. Josh Kralicek; 5. Jacob Emry; 6. Bid Van Loon. Street Stocks - Heat Bace 1 Justin Krossman, Coquille; 2. Seth Christian, Roseburg; 3. Toby McIntyre, Coos Bay; 4. Loren McIntyre, Coos Bay; 5. Steve Dubisar, Coquille; 6. Leroy Rockwell, Florence; 7. Ken Fox, North Bend; 8. Joseph Wilson, Coquille. Main Event: 1. Seth Christian; 2. Loren McIntyre; 3. Steve Dubisar: 4. Ken Fox: 5. Leroy Rockwell; 6. Justin Krossman; Toby McIntyre.

Mini Outlaws – Heat Race: 1. Scott Beaudoin, Portland; 2. Tristen Davison, Coos Bay; 3. Nicole Emry, Corvallis; 4. George Wheeler, Florence; 5. Jamie Daniels, Coos Bay; 6. Brad Hicks, Creswell; 7. Stephanie Nix, Coos Bay; 8. Matthew Emry, Corvallis.Main Event: 1. Scott Beaudoin; 2. Tristen Davison; 3. George Wheeler; 4. Jamie Daniels; 5. Matthew Emry; 6. Nicole Emry; 7. Stephanie Nix.

Hornets - Heat Race 1: 1. Seth Christian, Roseburg; 2. BJ Hussey, Bend; 3. Kevin Rockwell, Florence; 4. Steven Parker, Florence: 5. Chris Burton, Coos Bay; 6. Heather Burton, Coos Bay; 7. Penny Molawso, North Bend. Heat Race 2: 1. Kris Parker, Florence; 2. Dan Briesacher, Florence; 3. Alexis Baker, Myrtle Point: 4. Christopher Nelson, Parris. Calif.; 5. Jayden Miller, Winston; 6. Lily Metzgus, Myrtle Point; 7. Jim Van Loon. Main Event: 1. Seth Christian; 2. Kris Parker; 3. Dan Briesacher; 4. Steven Parker; 5. BJ Hussev: 6. Kevin Rockwell: 7. Alexis Baker; 8. Jayden Miller; 9. Lily Metzgus; 10. Chris Burton; 11. Penny Molawso; 12. Heather Burton; 13. Jim Van Loon; 14. Christopher Nelson.

Junior Stingers - Heat Race 1: 1. Alex Butler, Bandon; 2. Jordan Wheeler, Florence; 3. Randy Nel-son, Parris, Calif.; 4. Tallon Dubisar, Coquille; 5. Max Haga, Coquille; 6. Dylan Wheeler, Florence; 7 Haileigh Crosier, Roseburg, Heat Race 2: 1. Griff Smith, Bandon; 2. Eli Luckman, Coos Bay; 3. Tucker Dubisar, Coquille: 4. DJ Nelson, Coos Bay; 5. Drake Vincent, Myrtle Point; 6. Tanner Dubisar, Coquille; 8. Cameron Metzgus, Coos Bay. Main Event: 1. Griff Smith; 2. Tallon Dubisar; 3. Randy Nelson; 4. Alex Butler: 5. Drake Vincent: 6. Tanner Dubisar; 7. Tucker Dubisar; 8. Dylan Wheeler; 9. Max Haga; 10. Fli Luckman 11 Haileigh Crosier 12. Jordan Wheeler; 13. DJ Nelson; 14. Cameron Metzgus

This week in Coos County history: August 11-14

100 YEARS - 1921

Bay Park still is found today

Jas. Forty arrested in connection with find

Liquor plant declared finest yet discovered — Forty disclaims ownership of it

The largest and finest still yet found in this section was captured by Deputy Sheriff Malehorn and Constable Goodman this forenoon at Bay Park.

Jas. Forty, a venerable pioneer of Marshfield, was arrested in connection with it because it was located within a hundred yards or so of his house and the officers claim it was on his property. He was working not far from it at the time.

However, Mr. Forty disclaims the ownership and says that it was not on his property. He furnished \$25 cash bail through his attorney, John F. Hall.

The still was located some distance off the highway beyond the end of the plank road leading to a small settlement. It was covered over with brush and Deputy Sheriff Malehorn said that the only trail leading to it was a walk near the Forty house

Mr. Malehorn stated that two barrels of mash, made of prunes and peaches, had just been set. The still had been in operation some time and a pile of mash that had been run was nearby. It was larger than a big truck, he said.

No liquor as found there. The still had been especially made and was entirely of copper. It was about 35-gallon capacity. The worm was there. A gasoline stove furnished the fuel for it. It was exceptionally clean.

Library at North Bend given aid

City council votes an additional appropriation

Appeal is made for help as the library is to be moved to new quarters soon

Members of the North Bend library board attended the meeting of the city council last night, and Mrs. Geo. Hazer, president of the board, asked the council to consider whether the city could not offer the library further assistance financially. She stated that the board contemplates moving the library to a more suitable location where it will be more easily available, and that this will increase expenses, as no rent has been charged heretofore.

As a result of Mr. Hazer's plea, the council voted to pay an additional \$75 toward the upkeep of the library for the balance of the year.

Mine at Beaver Hill improved

Production can now be increased to 800 tons daily

William Strain, superintendent of the

Renton coal mine in the state of Washington, has been a visitor at the Beaver Hill mine for the past few days with Manager G.W. Evans and Superintendent Corey. Mr. Strain was sent by his company to study the method of mining coal at the Beaver Hill mine.

The method of mining introduced at the local mine during the past year and a half is recognized by coal mining experts as a decided step forward. Mr. Strain, who has had wide experience in coal mining practice, expressed himself as greatly pleased with his studies here. He stated that the present system of mining is the salvation of the Beaver Hill mine.

It will be recalled that for several years it had been impossible to produce any quantity of coal at the Beaver Hill mine.

50 YEARS - 1971 NB adopts 1990 land use plan

North Bend City Council Tuesday night became the first Coos County city to adopt a 1990 Preliminary Land Use Plan.

Planning commissions of the other Bay Area cities have adopted such plans, but North Bend council is the first to make it official

Next land use move comes for the Coos-Curry Council of Governments, which works with the cities to form Coos Bay-North Bend Urban Area Regional Plan for inclusion in a total multi-county plan. The region includes the city of Eastside.

The North Bend plan follows existing development and present zoning laws. There is little change, it was explained by the city engineer, Bill Bourne, from present city development except for addition of a "green strip" along Pony Slough to take water drainage.

"We have five years to come up with a permanent plan," said Bourne.

Committee to outline Charleston land use

Charleston residents took a first step Friday night toward becoming the first rural area in Coos County to be zoned, although with mixed emotions, as a committee was formed to outline a land use plan.

"The goal of this meeting is to get a movement started for a land use plan," said Clint Laird, "to outline the needs of the community and lay them out on a plan." Laird is a University of Oregon intern student working with Coos County Economic Development and Coordinating Committee as part of a research project with a view toward future development of rural Coos County.

Many at the meeting questioned the need for a land use plan at all. "We want it to stay just like it is," was one woman's statement which summed up the general feeling of the some 40 persons present.

But it was pointed out by several that only through planning ahead for proper use of the area could that desire be granted. The audience also was told that if a substantial move toward a land use plan or zoning was not accomplished by the end of this year, that state would set up its own zoning regulations for rural Coos County.

Rather than have that happen, said Mrs. Beryl Taylor, "We want you to make up the regulations ... when we now what you want, we'll write it down and present it to the commissioners."

"This is what we're here for," interjected Laird. First find the needs and problems of the area and tie them in to a map. Does the community need new businesses, homes, more recreational land or industrial development, he said.

Shift to provide power for Coos plants

Coquille, CB and Norway

PORTLAND (UPI) — Georgia-Pacific Corp. today announced it will convert waste bark and wood from two wigwam burners at Coquille and Norway in Coos County into steam and electricity for manufacturing plants at Coos Bay and Coquille.

The Coquille burner, built in 1936, has consumed an estimated 8.25 cubic feet of bark and wood waste over its life span. The Norway wigwam was erected in 1953 and in its 18 years consumed about 27 million cubic feet of the solid waste.

The company recently shut down additional burners at Pilot Rock and Powers in Oregon and one in Samoa, Calif. The Pilot Rock burner was temporarily reactivated because of the rail strike emergency which halted shipment of wood chips.

20 YEARS - 2001

State jobless rate rises, worries economists

No recession declared: It is the steepest drop in employment since 1991

PORTLAND (AP) — Unemployment has jumped to its highest level in four years in Oregon as the state economy shows signs it is heading for a recession.

The jobless rate rose to 6.1 percent in July, the worst monthly figure since March 1997 when the rate was 6.3 percent.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for the year has been steadily rising from its low point in January of 4.4 percent. The national jobless rate also has risen throughout the year, from a low of 3.9 percent in October to a high in July of 4.5 percent.

The gloomy figures led to pessimistic predictions that a rebound may be months, even a year away.

This auction's all about giving kids options

During the last year and a half, 16-yearold Hanley Kennedy came to know Humphrey well.

On Saturday, the Myrtle Point teenager bid farewell to his bovine friend — all 1,283 pounds of him — and said hello to more than \$2,400.

Humphrey was just one of the prized and pampered animals sold by the region's youngest farmers at the 2001 Coos Youth Animal Auction at the Coos County Fair. More than 70 Future Farmers of America and 4-Hers schmoozed with potential buyers during a pre-auction barbecue before taking to Kelli Wilson Arena to parade their livestock. Inside the dusty ring, scrawny kids and stocky teenagers tugged and prodded their pigs, sheep, steers and other animals round and round, working lock-step with enthusiastic auctioneer Ron Cearley to convince buyers to pony up for their college coffers.

Sure, a steer like Humphrey might bring 60 or 70 cents a pound at a regular market auction, but \$1.90 a pound? That's highway robbery.

At this auction, that's the whole point. "You don't sell the animals, you sell the program, the kids and what they're doing with their lives," said Cearley.

Jasmer swims well in Hawaii

North Bend's Kimberly Jasmer had a strong showing over the weekend at the Zone Championships for the Western United States in Hawaii over the weekend.

Jasmer, competing for Team Oregon in the 13-14-year-old age group, had new personal bests in every event, including a third-place finish in the 100 freestyle, said Chris Richmond, one of the coaches for the South Coast Aquatic Team. Jasmer is one of the team's many members from the South Coast.

Jasmer, 14, had won that competition at the Oregon State Championships, which helped lead to her being selected for the zone team.

Jasmer, who will be a freshman at North Bend High School in the fall, was timed in 1:00.51 in the 100 freestyle and also placed sixth out of 57 girls in the 50 freestyle, with a time of 28.25 seconds.

Jasmer also placed 11th in the 800 freestyle (9:35.71), 12th in the 1,500 freestyle (18:27.83) and 15th in the 400 freestyle (4:40.44). She also helped Oregon relay teams to second place in both the 200 and 400 freestyle relays and sixth in the 400 medley relay.

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are also up at record high. Across the state our ICU beds are about 90% filled. Some of our hospital regions have fewer than five ICU beds available to start the day."

Brown said the numbers are the result of the COVID-19 Delta variant.

"These numbers are despite the fact that nearly 73% of Oregon's adults are vaccinated," she said. "The harsh reality is that Delta is a different virus. It has changed everything."

Brown said the Oregon Health Authority and Oregon Health Sciences University report that without new safety interventions, COVID-19 hospitalizations will completely overwhelm the doctors and nurses in the coming weeks.

"Without safety measures, we could be as many as 500 hospital beds short of what we need to treat people by September," Brown said. "And that's patients coming into the hospitals for any reasons. When hospitals run out of beds, we are all at risk."

According to Brown, the pandemic has taught that quick, decisive action saves lives.

Brown said vaccines are the best way for individuals to protect themselves and their families from the deadly virus.

"It is clear that the situation requires immediate action to stop the Delta variant from traveling further," Brown said. "Masks are simple and they are effective.

"Masks are also our best bet in keeping our schools and our businesses open. Wearing a mask should give you confidence that you are not infecting others."

Oregon Health Authority

Director Patrick Allen told reporters that the Delta variant virus is spreading uncontrollable among people who are not vaccinated. "It will get worse if we

"It will get worse if we do not take immediate action," Allen said.

Allen said state agencies are now working with hospitals across the state in repositioning resources, such as respirators, and mobilizing nurses to ensure patient care.

"This is a disappointing reminder that we still have dark days ahead," Brown said. "Until more people get vaccinated, we are all still in danger."

When asked about reversing her position this week after saying the mask mandate should be up to local elected officials, Brown said, "It was really clear that local officials were not willing to make the tough decisions to preserve and ensure protection of our hospital beds."

Brown is also mandating that all state employees be vaccinated against COVID-19.

"I encourage all public employees to do the exact same thing," she said.

Brown said it will be up to local school superintendents to decide if teachers should be required to be vaccinated.

When asked about public protection at large outdoor events, such as University of Oregon Duck football games, Brown said that local officials have the authority to take action.

"I am asking Oregonians to mask up and get vaccinated so we can reduce the number of additional hospital beds that we might need," she said.

Mask Mandate Fact

Sheet Brown's office release the following Mask Mandate Fact Sheet.

The goal of indoor mask requirement is to limit

the spread of the Delta variant as much as possible indoors, where COVID-19 spreads more easily. The requirement works in combination with efforts to encourage more Oregonians to become fully vaccinated.

• The emphasis of indoor mask requirement is on personal responsibility - we are asking Oregonians to make a commitment to protect those around you by wearing a mask. We are also asking Oregonians to be kind and considerate of others and to treat store employees and others with respect: they are asking you to wear a mask to save lives.

• Applies to adults and children older than 5. On public transit, also includes children older than 2. This aligns with Multnomah County mask requirements.

• Applies broadly to people in all indoor public spaces. (Masks are still strongly encouraged in crowded outdoor situations.)

• Common sense exemptions apply for activities that would be impractical or impossible wearing a mask, for example: eating and drinking; swimming and organized, competitive sports; performances involving singing or speaking in public.

In these cases, OHA recommends strongly that participants be fully vaccinated if eligible. Similar to exemptions in recently-adopted mask requirements in Nevada, Louisiana and Washington, DC.

• Oregon OSHA will have a role in enforcement for employers and employees, with an education-first approach: OSHA will work with employers who are making an effort to comply and won't conduct inspections or issue fines immediately as businesses implement masking protocols, including the necessary signage.



Willamette Connections Academy recognizes local honor roll students

The statewide tuition-free online public school Willamette Connections Academy is proud to announce the honor roll for the second semester of the 2020-21 school year. The list recognizes hundreds of students in grades K-5 from every corner of the state for their academic excellence.

"All of us at Willamette Connections Academy are excited to offer special recognition to this list of Honor Roll students," said Heather Engelhardt, Willamette Connections Academy assistant principal for grades K-5. "Families have been through so much this past year and a half, it's been gratifying to see students succeeding academically in a stable

Rentals

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are no addresses connected to the listings, it is impossible to determine which homes are in the city limits.

At the meeting, people lined up to ask the council to stop the vacation rentals, arguing they damage neighborhoods and cause grief to permanent residents.

"We feel as though this is something that's not needed for our community," John Perry told the council. "It doesn't bring any value to us."

James Behrends, who has fought short-term rentals for several years, said a previous rental in his neighborhood proved the city should act.

"We as a neighborhood have opposed short-term rentals, vacation rentals, in our neighborhoods three times since I've lived up there, which is close to 20 years," Behrends said. "We have no interest in what the city seems to think should go on up there. They're empty in the offseason. They crank in the summer time, but they're not fun to be around. They're loud, parking is difficult. It's time for us to stand up. Not next year after we have 15 around town. You need to get it right before it's too late." Emily Gardner, an attorney who lives in Coos Bay, was also opposed short-term rentals and volunteered to help the city draft regulations to control them. "I believe there should be a moratorium in place at least until we can figure

high-quality learning environment with minimal interruptions." Willamette Connections

Academy 2nd Semester Honor Roll – South Coast:

Maxwell Armstrong -1st grade Brookings Truly Crawford - 5th

grade Brookings Eden Hamilton - 3rd

grade Brookings Liam Hamilton - 5th

grade Brookings Madalynn Hamilton -

1st grade Coquille Lillian Wirebaugh - 3rd

grade Coquille

To qualify for the honor roll, students in kindergarten through 5th grade must receive "A's" in all their classes during the second semester of the 2020-21 academic year.

out what those regulations are going to look like," she said. "This is not something we can copy and paste from another jurisdiction. This is an industry that is booming, and we need to get ahead of it."

Several speakers argued that with the city's housing shortage, allowing short-term rentals removes housing that could be used for residents. They claimed businesses are buying up property to use for rentals, taking them away from permanent residents.

"Our members overwhelmingly disapprove of the short-term rentals anywhere near our neighborhoods," said Chad Putnam, president of the Pacific Crest HOA. "We're going to fight them one by one. Our HOA is going to amend our rules to block them in our neighborhoods."

Tony Donato, who represents homeowners in Empire, also said his neighborhood was opposed.

"Overwhelmingly, everyone is against STVRs, they just are," Donato said. "It's not good for neighborhoods. If the city continues to allow STVR permits, anytime someone sells their house, someone else will buy it and turn it

"This past school year, many new families were interested in Willamette Connections Academy's established, tuition-free full-time online school," noted Engelhardt. "Some of those families who experienced online learning with our school during the pandemic have decided to keep their students in virtual schooling for other purposes such as a customized education or a flexible schedule."

Enrollment is now open for the 2021-22 school year at Willamette Connections Academy. To find out more about how to enroll or more information about the school visit www.WillametteConnectionsAcademy.com or call 888-478-9474.

and now people are talking about a moratorium. It is zoned commercial, so I would ask that be taken into consideration if you put in a moratorium."

Carolyn Johnson, the city's community development administrator, told the council the discussion is not new. The idea of regulations was first discussed in 2019 and has been ongoing. She said the city has had no complaints about the 10 homes that have been registered. Another unit, a four-plex, is in the application stage. She said the city has struggled trying to determine who is renting without a permit.

"We have gone on to Airbnb to try to root out folks who do not have a license," she said.

Janice Langlinais, the director of the Coos Bay-North Bend Visitor and Convention Bureau, said her agency is also trying to determine who has vacation rentals offered online. She said her organization has hired AirDNA to do a search to find homes listed online.

"It will give the city the opportunity to look and see where they are located," Langlinais said.

After hearing from the people, the council briefly discussed the issue. Coun-



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into an STVR. STVRs are not a good idea."

Only one person spoke in favor of short-term rentals, asking the council to allow them in commercial districts.

"Two years ago, we did buy a commercial property with the intent of creating a short-term rental," Sue Lee said. "We put a lot of money into the community and the home to make it nice. We're just about done cilor Drew Farmer then made a motion to put a moratorium on short-term rentals in all residential units citywide until the Planning Commission and City Council can work on new regulations. The motion passed unanimously.

The Coos Bay Planning Commission is scheduled to discuss regulations October 12 with a work session with the council planned October 26.

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A Sunday Drive Coos Art Museum offers stunning displays



Photos by David Rupkalvis/The World

The artwork of Claire Duncan is on display at the Coos Art Museum. Duncan showcases her paintings of wildlife while also making a statement of the threat of climate change. Below, Michael Jurczak from Alaska entered his unique view of a fish in the museum's 27th Maritime Exhibit.

Paintings, photos, sculptures showcase amazing skill

BY DAVID RUPKALVIS The World

I'm going to share a little secret few know about me – I couldn't draw a good picture if my life depended on it.

I've tried many times, but it's just not in me. No matter how hard I try, how long I toil, everything I draw looks like a third grader did it.

Likely because of that, I have deep admiration for artists who can take a photo or a picture in their mind and turn it into a work of art. Through the years, my wife and I have purchased several pieces of art because, like many, we enjoy seeing art as we relax at home.

Because of that, it was quite a pleasure to finally get a chance to visit the Coos Art Museum this week. I was given a tour by the museum's Executive Director Steve



COVID is surging once again

BY DR. CHARLES HURBIS

First to dispel gossip that's been recently circulating, in the modified words of Mark Twain: The rumors of my retirement

have been greatly exaggerated.....

I have no interest of giving up

my job of 35 years anytime soon. Now, on to COVID. First just a

> quick synop-

sis after



Dr. Charles Hurbis glancing

at this morning's numbers: I had no idea how bad this had gotten. COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations and deaths are once again rapidly increasing in nearly all states, fueled by the B.1.617.2 (Delta) variant, which is much more contagious than past versions of the virus. This past Wednesday 235,099 cases were recorded, up from just 4,087 one day in late June.

Clearly, this is NOT the time to relax precautions and toss away your masks.

I honestly thought I'd be writing my last COVID column months ago. But that clearly won't be the case. It's no longer news that the world is going through another major wave of COVID. This time around a few things stand out: 1) It's primarily the Delta variety, and 2) Most hospitalizations and deaths are in the unvaccinated population.

Delta currently is responsible for more than 83% of all new infections in the U.S. and that number will rise until another more infectious variant emerges. Most but not all of the new infections are in the unvaccinated (although this is becoming less the case with large pockets of the vaccinated now becoming infected). So, who of the vaccinated are getting Delta? Which vaccines aren't as effective and who may benefit from a booster? These are the obvious questions, but the answers have been slow to come. It's clear some vaccines haven't proven as effective, some have less staying power, some are less protective against Delta and in the immunocompromised, none seem to work long enough. Second shots are already being considered for the "one and done" recipients and third shots for immunocompromised patients regardless of their vaccine type. Recommendations will continue to evolve as the virus does. Looking in more detail, the Delta infection curve among unvaccinated is looking frighteningly similar to the curve we observed before a vaccine was available. I recall a time when I'd predicted the U.S. would

Broocks.

Unlike many museums, the Coos Art Museum is always changing. Any time one visits, they are guaranteed to see great art, but the pieces themselves are new many times a year.

Right now, the museum has five exhibits on display, and each showcases the work of talented artists who turn ideas into stunning pieces.

The biggest display is the 27th Maritime Exhibit, which showcases work based around water. Many of the paintings and sculptures are based on boats and ships, but others showcase sea animals, beaches and pretty much anything related to the water.

Broocks said the museum received more than 200 entries for the exhibit, and a jury of three artists narrowed that to the 60-plus pieces on display. The exhibit will run through September 25, the same date an exhibit of Coquille artist Kimberly Wurster will close.

Wurster showcases her own view of maritime in her work, with pastel paintings of sea life. Because of Wurster's skill, she was also chosen as the judge of the Mari-

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Community Calendar of Events What: Coos Bay Farmers Market Den't Minds

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

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 through October 27.

What: Circle the Bay road run

When: 8 a.m., Saturday, August 14 Where: Starts and ends at Ferry Road Park in North Bend

You Should Know: The 30-kilometer race is the signature event of the South Coast Running Club. People can participate either as individuals or part of three-person relay teams. The entry fee is \$150 for relay teams and \$70 for individuals (members of the South Coast Running Club pay \$55). Registration is all online and ends at 5 p.m. on Aug. 12 for relay teams and 5 p.m. on Aug. 13 for individuals.

Information: To register, visit www. southcoastrunningclub.org

What: Nature hike at South Slough Reserve

When: 1 p.m., August 14 Where: South Slough Reserve You Should Know: A guided walk in the woods will help reveal the flora and fauna on some of South Slough's most popular trails. The trail itself is a two-mile loop that is well-maintained and relatively level. Attendees are encouraged to dress for the weather, wear sturdy shoes, and bring plenty of snacks. The event is free;

event is limited to six participants. Information: To register, visit https:// www.oregon.gov/dsl/SS/Pages/CommunityClassReg.aspx

however, registration is required and the

What: Second Saturday at Coos History Museum

When: 11 a.m.-5 p.m. August 14 Where: Coos History Museum You Should Know: Admission to the museum will be free all. From 11 a.m.-2 p.m., children and families are invited to participate in the Explorer's Club for a fun

What: **Bikes and Bugs** When: August 14-15

educational opportunity.

Where: Coos Bay Speedway You Should Know: Bikes and Bugs will return to raise money for local veterans' organizations. The gates will open at 8 a.m. with a special opening ceremony at noon Saturday with a military salute and Don't Miss



Auditions at So it Goes Coffeehouse When: 6:30 p.m., August 23 and August 24 Where: So it Goes Coffeehouse, 190 Central Coos Bay You Should Know: Open auditions will be held for The Breakfast Club of the Living Dead, an original satire written be John Beane. All roles are open. They are looking for comic ability and will consider any gender/age/ethnicity for any role. All actors are paid.

a flyover from the Coast Guard. There will be drag racing, car show, swap meet, vendors and hourly raffles.

What: Bandon Dunes job fair

When: 11 a.m.-4 p.m., August 18 Where: Macdonald Hall, upstairs at McKee's Pub

You Should Know: Bandon Dunes will be hosting a job fair with on-thespot interviews and hiring opportunities. During the event, lunch will be served and there will be opportunities to win prizes. Bandon Dunes is hiring many positions. To apply in advance, visit www.BandonDunesGolf.com/careers.

What: ASL practice

When: Noon, August 19

Where: Virtually via Zoom. Register for this event at https://is.gd/daR3SI

You Should Know: Kandy Bergquist will lead the practice. She teaches American Sign Language and Signed English at Southwestern Oregon Community College. She has worked with the deaf and hard of hearing as an interpreter, classroom aid and speech pathologist. Beginners are welcome.

What: Bay Area Artists Association

meeting

When: 6 p.m., August 19 Where: Coos Art Museum

You Should Know: Local artists are invited to join in as Victoria Tierney, artist/writer/photographer/curator, leads a discussion about the role of artists in a post-COVID world.

What: **Introduction to crabbing** When: Noon, August 20

Where: Meet at the Charleston Visitors Center, 91141 Cape Arago Highway

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: To register, visit www. oregon.gov/dsl/SS/Pages/Community-ClassReg.aspx

What: Open house and BBQ

When: 11 a.m., August 22 Where: Bay Area Bible Church, 2590 14th St., North Bend You Should Know: The open house will feature a family friendly message by Pastor Ray McCormick followed with free food for all. The kids will have fun in a bounce house and water dump tank. Information: Call 541-756-6707

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: **Taking Care of Business XII** When: 5 p.m., August 26

Where: North Bend Lanes and Back Alley Pub and Grill

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: 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 in a casual, informal environment. This is not a class, but there will be ideas for conversational topics.



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B4 FRIDAY, AUGUST 13, 2021 **The Chamber Minute: Planning for the fall**

· Leadership Coos has finalized

• The annual on-line survey of

our membership is scheduled for

September with the results being

used by the directors in our 2022

• The Wednesday Business

day September 1, in the Salmon

room at the Mill. We are currently

scheduling speakers for the entire

Connection will return on Wednes-

its 32nd class and is completing

the program logistics to start on

marginal bowling.

September 14.

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Timm Slater

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From B1

reach 50,000 infections daily, a number seemingly insane at the time. We instead reached 250,000. With vaccinations and safety protocols, by late June that number had dropped to 4,087 new infections one day, with a 7-day average of 11,882 cases. Now here we are August 9, about one month later at 235,099 new cases daily with a 7-day average of 124,470, this in the mid-upslope of a parabolic curve. This is an increase of 1,047% in one month for the 7-day average. How is it this number is not all over the headlines? Models are predicting a rise again to 4,000 deaths per day unless the vaccination pool rises dramatically. Yes, that matches the old record. Since less than 50% of the country is fully vaccinated watch for national mandates of masking and social separation returning. It's already being enforced in major cities like LA, Chicago and New Orleans. The CDC has no choice

Folks talk about this time of year being the dog days, a period of inactivity in the hot summertime. But unless that dog is a racing greyhound, that's not the way your chamber sees August. This is a big month for organizing, planning and setting the stage for our many activities that fill the fall. Let me share a few of those with you.

• Taking Care of Business XII, (our bowling fundraiser) will be held Thursday August 26, at North Bend Lanes. It will be a great night of fun, fellowship and

but to change its stance, and with more teeth. CDC recommendations have been very wishy washy lately.

Under-vaccination and the Delta variant are leading to record case numbers in states such as Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Florida, Nevada and Wyoming. There are among the states with the lowest vaccination rates, with less than 35% of their population fully vaccinated. Delta is surging in these areas. Florida ICU's have never been fuller.

You'd think with recommendations, safety protocols and the vaccines available we'd have this pandemic under control. Yet, we are dealing with confusing guidance and a non-compliant population. Even our own CDC inappropriately declared victory a few months back dropping masking and separation requirements. Now it's rapidly backpedaling, selectively suggesting masking again. But, like taking away a toy from a toddler, the tantrums have started already. Then, there is the large subpopulation that will probably never

be vaccinated and through whom new variants will continue to emerge, thus Delta, and now Lambda and Gamma. Consider this: If everyone could stay home for just one month the pandemic would be over. Yet here we are, and the nightmare is returning everywhere. Some countries are doing a much better job than others. Sydnev and surrounding areas will enter a hard two-week COVID-19 lockdown as authorities struggle to control a fast-spreading outbreak of the Delta variant that has grown. Australia has been more successful in managing the pandemic through swift border closures, social distancing rules and high compliance, reporting just over 34,381 cases and 924 COVID-19 deaths (compared to our 613,000 deaths). Compli-

And why don't we know the origin of this virus yet? Why all the secrecy? Somewhere someone knows something. For the second time in 50 years, there are questions about whether we are dealing with a pandemic caused by scientific research. The

ance is key.

Chinese government's obstruction may keep us from knowing for sure whether the virus, SARS-CoV-2, came from the wild directly or through a lab in Wuhan, or if genetic experimentation was involved. Here's a frightening fact: Nearly every SARS case since the original SARS epidemic in 2003 has been due to a lab leak. There have been six incidents in three countries, including twice in a single month from a lab in Beijing. This kind of history sort of dispels any bat theory doesn't it?

How dangerous is Delta? Time appears to have answered that question: Having quickly spread to at least 98 countries, the Delta variant is now fueling outbreaks around the world and prompting new lockdowns, even in countries that seemed to have had the virus once under control. This past weekend, an innocuous family reunion in Bend netted 21 cases of 29 participants, most were vaccinated. Scary huh? On the average it's considered 50% more transmissible than prior variants. Consid-

• The 29th Economic Outlook Forum is set for December 10. The initial planning meeting to identify speakers and businesses to participate will be held toward the end of August.

• We have been hard at work on ad sales for the 2022 Business Directory and Community Profile. If no one has chatted with you yet, you will hear more about this opportunity soon.

• And Business after Hours, that two-hour open house featuring your business, on the last Thursday of each month, is now

er this fact: With Delta, the viral concentration in the back of the nose is 1000x that of the original strain. Reflect on that just for a second. Experts are now saying that Delta is one of

the most infectious viruses

encountered by mankind, on par with chicken pox. As the pandemic enters this new dangerous wave, who isn't making sense and will prolong this chapter in history: 1) States that have banned schools from mandating masks: Vermont, South Carolina, Iowa, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Arizona and Utah. 2) The CDC dropping its mask and separation mandates a few months back. 3) The unvaccinated, 4) Various talk show hosts, politicians or other influential figures who continue to spread misinformation about this virus and the vaccine.

Who is making sense and will help end the pandemic earlier: 1) Those same unvaccinated talk show hosts/influential people after being admitted to an ICU (many examples) and are now imploring their listeners to get vaccinated (or having others do

scheduling for 2022.

Lots of great things developing right now and lots of opportunities for you to be involved. Give me a call and we will get you into the action!

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

> it for them since they can no longer communicate). 2) Six major cities, including Los Angeles and St. Louis, who have reinstated official mask mandates for all residents. 3) Clark County, Nevada (which includes Las Vegas) who began requiring masks in certain areas. 4) Public schools in Atlanta, Chicago and New York City who will require students and staff to wear masks this school year, regardless of their vaccination status, and 5) Governor Justice of West Virginia who has called not getting vaccinated the same as "entering the death lottery.'

This pandemic has already shaved a year and a half from the life expectancy of Americans in 2020, the steepest drop in the US since WWII. This is a trend that we all have the ability to alter individually. You can choose not to participate. Be responsible, take precautions, be fully vaccinated, do what you know works to protect yourself and don't be influenced by questionable recommendations, regardless of the source.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF OREGON FOR COOS COUNTY In the Matter of the Estate of SANDRA L. LAYGUI, aka SANDRA L. LAYGUI Deceased. Case No. 21PB06555 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS OTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Theresa Laygui has been appointed and has qualified as Personal Representative of

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NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS ESTATE OF PAUL FREDERICK VASTERLING COOS COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT CASE NO. 21PB05946

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that JoAnn Rasmussen has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with written evidence thereof attached, to the personal representative, c/o Mark M. Williams, Attorney at Law, 66 Club Road, Suite 200, Eugene, Oregon 97401. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them within four months after the date of first publication of this notice to the Personal Representative at the address stated above for the presentation of claims or such claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by these proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court or the Personal Representative, named above Dated and first published August 6, 2021. Personal Representative: JoAnn Rasmussen c/o Mark M. Williams, OSB#821404 Attorney at Law 66 Club Road, Suite 200 Eugene, Oregon 97401 Published: August 6, August 13 and August 20, 2021 The World & ONPA (ID:322390)

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS ESTATE OF ROBERT J. DUANNE LINN COUNTY CIRCUIT

COURT CASE NO. 21PB06201 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Marvin Palmer has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with written evidence thereof attached, to the personal representative, c/o Mark M. Williams, Attorney at Law, 66 Club Road, Suite 200, Eugene, Oregon 97401. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them within four months after the date of first publication of this notice to the Personal Representative at the address stated above for the presentation of claims or such claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by these proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court or the Personal Representative, named above. Dated and first published August 13, 2021 - Personal Representative: Marvin Palmer c/o Mark M. Williams, OSB#821404 Attorney at Law Ciud Road, Su Eugene, Oregon 97401 Published: August 13, August 20 and August 27, 2021 The World & ONPA (ID:322732)

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Public Notice The Coos Bay City Council will discuss in a 5:30 PM work session on Tuesday September 28, 2021 proposed amendments to Coos Bay Municipal Code Chapter 17.335.080 Supplemental Development standards for Indoor Marijuana-Related businesses (1) regarding marijuana business locations and addition of definitions for marijuana businesses in Chapter 17.150. The City Council public hearing on the same matter will be held Tuesday, October 5, 2021 at 7 PM. Both meetings will be held in the City Hall Council Chambers at 500 Central Ave in Coos Bay. The proposed amendments can be found at <u>www.coosbay.org</u> on Government/- Community Development drop down menus. The public hearings are open to all Written comments will be accepted at the City Hall, at the above address. The City Council decision may be appealed to the Oregon Land Use Board of Appeals pursuant to ORS 197.830. Questions or comments? Contact Carolyn Johnson, Community Development Administrator at 541-269-1181 extension 2287 or <u>cjohnson@coosbay.org.</u> Published: August 13, 2021 The World & ONPA (ID:322869)

Public sale

Minnesota Storage Lockers, LLC. 1147 Minnesota Ave, Coos Bay Or. 97420 will sell at auction for cash only at 10:00am on Saturday August 21st AT 1147 MINNESOTA AVE, COOS BAY, OR. 97420, THE POSSESSIONS OF: LINDA POORE- STORAGE LOCKER #30. SALE IS SUBJECT TO TENANT REDEMPTION. Published: August 13 and August 20, 2021 The World & ONPA (ID:322721)

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon For the County of Coos, Probate Department Estate of Harry Maxwell de

Cordova, Jr., deceased (Case No. 21PB04238) Notice to Interested Persons Notice is hereby given that Elizabeth A. Blizard has been appointed as the personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them to the undersigned personal representative in care of the undersigned attorney at: 6500 SW Macadam Ave., Ste. 300, Portland, OR 97239-3565 within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, or such claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this estate may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal epresentative or the a omey the personal representative. Dated and first published August 6, 2021 Elizabeth A. Blizard Personal Representative Tim Nay Law Offices of Nay & Friedenberg LLC Attorney for Personal Representative Portland, OR 97239-3565 Published: August 6, August 13 and August 20, 2021 The World & ONPA (ID:322442)

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listed. Bids will be accepted until 3:00 p.m., Friday, August 20, 2021. All bids must be clearly identified and be in a sealed envelope addressed to Courteney Davis, Deputy City Recorder and CLEARLY marked "Sealed Bid-1991 Fire Truck". Bids can be mailed or hand delivered to Reedsport City Hall, 451 Winchester Ave. Reedsport, OR 97467. For questions please contact Administrative Officer Chris Spichtig at 541- 271-2423.

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Public Hearing Notice NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, the Lakeside Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at Lakeside City Hall, 915 North Lake Road, Lakeside, Oregon beginning at 6:00 p.m., September 2nd 2021. The public hearing will be held to review a proposal on property located at 545 N. 8th Street, Lakeside OR, 23S12W07CC tax lot 4200. The proposal is to be allowed to build to the rear property line, in the General Single Family zone. Written comments will be received until the date of the public hearing at City Hall 915 North Lake Road, P.O. Box L, Lakeside, OR 97449. The criteria for interpretation will be Ordinance 168, Article 16, all subject to Sec.1.030 Interpretation. At the above said public hearing, the general public and any interested person or party shall be afforded an opportunity to offer evidence and testimony in favor of or opposed to the granting of the above request. Published: August 13, 2021 The World & ONPA (ID:322909)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION PERSUANT TO ORS CHAPTER 87 Notice is hereby given that the following vehicle will be sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 8/25/21.The sale will be held at 10.00 am by ALDER ACRES RV & MH PARK LLC 1800 N 28TH CT, COOS BAY, OR 2013 NISSAN PATHFINDER VIN - 5NIAR2MN1DC615538 Amount due on lien \$376.50 Reputed owner(s) RODRIGUEZ BLANCA CAPITAL ONE AUTO FIN BARBARA RODRIGUEZ Published: August 13 and August 20, 2021 The World & ONPA (ID:322816)



Museum

From B1

time Exhibit.

Wurster has paintings of a variety of sea animals, with the work eerily realistic. The pastels make the paintings almost chalk-like, so unique I had to get up close to see.

Upstairs at the museum is full of surprises. A permanent exhibit featuring Steve Prefontaine showcases one of Coos Bay's favorite sons. Photos of Prefontaine racing dot the walls and many of the awards he earned during his career are on display.

Down the hall, the photography of Bandon artist Susan Dimock keeps to the maritime theme, with photos capturing moments of beauty and grace. I explained to Broocks that those of us who spend a lot of time at the beach have seen some amazing things, but Dimock has a way of freezing the moments in time

Claire Duncan of Ashland has another exhibit on display, showcasing her paintings of wildlife, while making a statement about the threat of climate change. The paintings are stunningly beautiful, with the toppers making a political statement that is hard to ignore.

In the hall, the work of Carol Turner is on display. Turner is the Bay Area Artists artist of the month, and a new artist is displayed each month at the museum.

Broocks said the Bay Area Artists organization is a reminder of how the museum started. In the 1950s,

the Coos Artists League was formed, and the league showcased the work of members in storefronts and places like the Eagles Hall. In 1966, the group opened the Coos Art Museum for the first time, and it has grown since then.

I was able to visit a room rarely seen by the public, the Del Smith Permanent Exhibit. The permanent exhibit is made up of more than 620 pieces of art, some purchased and some donated to the museum.

Del Smith has been in charge of the permanent exhibit for more than 20 years, and she has been able to store, catalogue and manage each piece the museum owns. Once a year, the museum showcases an exhibit of its collection, showing off the work on a rotating basis.

In addition to showcasing the work of artists, the museum works to help new ones bring their art dreams to fruition. Through art classes and workshops for adults and children, the museum allows budding artists to learn new skills.

"That goes back to the foundation of the museum," Broocks said. "Back in the '50s, they were doing classes."

The Coos Art Museum is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 1 to 4 p.m. Saturdays. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$2 for students and seniors and free to museum members.

If you haven't been to the museum, or even if you haven't been in a while, I would suggest you give it a try. The work inside showcases amazing talent from a wide variety of artists.



Bandon photographer Susan Dimock, left, has her work on display at the Coos Art Museum. The main exhibit is the 27th Maritime Exhibit, with this painting the best of show.







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