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Accused killer returns to Coos County

By **DAVID RUPKALVIS**
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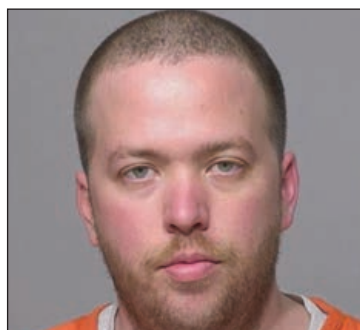
A man accused of killing four people during a morning of violence in June has been returned to Coos County to face charges. Oen Evan Nicholson was returned to Coos County from Wisconsin on Friday morning, seven weeks after he allegedly killed four people in three sepa-

rate incidents in North Bend. Nicholson is facing multiple murder charges related to the four killings as well as additional charges. Police allege Nicholson murdered his father by cutting his throat the morning on June 18. That crime occurred at The Mill Casino RV park. As Nicholson attempted to flee the RV park, he ran over Anthony and

Linda Oyster, who were walking across the street. Anthony Oyster died at the scene and Linda Oyster died more than a month later in the hospital. Police say Nicholson then drove to the Herbal Choices marijuana dispensary, walked inside and started shooting, killing Jennifer L. Davidson. Davidson died at the scene. After buying ammunition in

North Bend, Nicholson fled. Police allege he wrecked the truck he was driving in Lane County and then kidnapped a woman about 30 miles away and forced her to drive him to Wisconsin, where he turned himself in to police. After initially fighting extradition, Nicholson was served with

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Oen Evan Nicholson

Coos Bay passes camping ordinance



The World file photo

Camping at churches and other nonprofit organizations will be legal under a camping ordinance approved by the Coos Bay City Council last week.

Move allows homeless to camp, gives city a tool to regulate it

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The Coos Bay City Council adopted a camping ordinance last week that will allow for camping on some public property between the hours of 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. The ordinance was created to address a recent court ruling that stated municipalities cannot

ban camping in public property unless there is somewhere else for the homeless to go. A state law passed in the recent legislative session also requires cities to allow the homeless to camp. The ordinance outlines where camping is allowed and not allowed, outlawing camping at all city parks and in residential

areas. The city of North Bend is expected to pass a nearly identical ordinance soon, with the goal of having a seamless policy between the two cities. Police Chief Chris Chapanar told the council the city's ordinance was a balance between the court ruling that allows the homeless to camp and the city's right

to manage the time, manner and place that camping is allowed. "The newly drafted ordinance will make it legal to camp overnight on publicly owned property in Coos Bay between the hours of 8 p.m. and 6 a.m.," Chapanar said. "This does not include park areas, public property in

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The World file photo

Oregon Sen. Jeff Merkley addresses a crowd during a town hall in Bandon in 2019.

Merkley continues fight to lower drug prices

By **DAVID RUPKALVIS**
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Several months after he announced a bill to lower the price of prescription drug costs, Oregon Sen. Jeff Merkley believes he may have a way to get the bill through Congress. During a celebratory meeting on the 56th anniversary of the day Medicare was signed into law, Merkley said his proposal to mandate drug companies only charge Americans what they charge in the other countries was

not moving much in the Senate. "Not surprisingly, with their Army of lobbyists, my bill hasn't made it very far yet," Merkley said. "But with the Build Back Better reconciliation, we are going to make one of the biggest investments in American families and take that on." Merkley proposed legislation, the End Price Gouging for Medications Act, several months ago. The bill would require drug companies to charge Americans no more than the average price charged in eight other countries.

Merkley said the bill is needed because Americans often pay much more than individuals in other developed countries. "There is no reason why here in the United States people should be paying 2.5 times more for prescription drugs or 3.5 times more for name-brand drugs than the rest of the world," Merkley said. "Sixty percent of all adult Americans use prescription drugs and out of all the millions, eight out of 10 say the cost is completely unreasonable." Merkley said the average

American spends \$1,200 a year on prescription drugs, but in many cases those are the lucky ones. He told a story of an elderly woman in Hillsboro who uses an inhaler to breathe. When her insurance company changed how it labeled the drug, her cost soared to \$500 a month. As a senior on a fixed income, she simply did not have \$6,000 a year for the inhaler. "We need to make sure in the bill we give Medicare the authority to negotiate directly with

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COVID rages in Coos County

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The World

COVID-19 cases continue to surge in Coos County, with the county reporting cases in numbers not seen for months. On Wednesday, the county also recorded another COVID death. The Oregon Health Authority reported an 86-year-old woman tested positive for COVID on August 1 and died the next day at Bay Area Hospital. The presence of underlying conditions was being confirmed. Douglas County reported four new COVID deaths on Tuesday, all in people over 70. On Tuesday, Coos County reported 35 new cases. On the same day, Curry County reported 32 cases and Douglas County reported 83. The high numbers continued to roll in Wednesday as Coos County reported 34 new cases. Curry County had 10 and Douglas County reported 78 cases Wednesday. On Thursday, Coos County reported 29 new cases while Curry County had 13 and Douglas County 78. While there is no simple test to verify if the cases are linked to the Delta variant, most specialists say almost all the new cases in Oregon are linked to the highly-contagious variant. The increase in cases has been seen across the state, with Oregon reporting more than 1,000 new cases every day this week. Possibly the biggest danger is more than 10% of all people being tested are coming back positive, just weeks after the test positivity rate was under 3%. In Coos County, the test positivity rate topped 13 percent last week. In Curry County, the rate was 10 percent while Douglas County had one of the highest rates in the state at 20 percent. Across Oregon, 476 COVID patients are reported in the hospital with 135 reported in ICU. As of Tuesday, two patients were reported in the hospital in Coos County. While there have been reported breakthrough cases of COVID, the vast majority of those becoming infected and suffering the biggest impacts are in people who are not vaccinated. In Coos County, 59.6 percent of adults have received at least one dose of the vaccine. Curry County reported 56 percent of adults with at least one dose of the vaccine and Douglas County had 46.9 percent. In good news, Coos Health & Wellness released the names of 10 residents who were awarded \$10,000 for receiving the vaccine. The county offered cash prizes as an incentive to get people vaccinated, and those who were chosen

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

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Community Calendar of Events

Don't Miss

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: Exhibit of Richard Quigley's artwork
When: Through September 11. A reception will be held from 4-7 p.m. August 6.
Where: Mindpower Gallery, 417 Fir Ave., Reedsport.

You Should Know: The Mindpower Gallery in Reedsport will be featuring Eugene artist Richard Quigley in a one-man exhibit spanning 50 years of art. The large gallery with its maze of rooms will present a museum like space for hundreds of paintings, sculptural pieces, sketches, watercolors, oils, acrylics and even Quigley's extensive product line of cards, prints and T-shirts.

What: Board Game Night
When: 6-8 p.m., August 10
Where: Coquille Library

You Should Know: The Coquille Public Library will host its first board game. Some games will be available, but people also can bring their own board games to share with the participants.

Information: Call 541-396-2166.

What: North Bend City Council
When: 7 p.m., August 10
Where: North Bend City Hall, 835 California Ave.

You Should Know: The City Council will consider purchasing an excavator and adopting an equitable sharing agreement.

What: Coos Bay Planning Commission
When: 6 p.m., August 10
Where: Coos Bay City Hall, 500 Central Avenue

You Should Know: The commissioners will discuss code amendments for marijuana regulations and single-room



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What: In a Landscape: Classical Music in the Wild
When: 6 p.m., August 10-11
Where: Shore Acres State Park

You Should Know: In a Landscape is an outdoor concert series where stunning landscapes replace the concert hall. A 9-foot Steinway grand piano will be used to bring music to Shore Acres. Tickets can be purchased at <https://www.eventbrite.com/o/in-a-landscape-classical-music-in-the-wildtm-10898118534>

What: Community Yoga
When: 6 p.m., August 11
Where: Virtually via Zoom. Register for this event at <https://is.gd/bNva2A>

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

taught as a yoga instructor in community health centers, schools and jails for adults and families with all levels of experience and abilities over the last seven years.

What: Reedsport Parks & Beautification Committee
When: 3 p.m., August 11
Where: City Hall conference room, 451 Winchester Avenue

You Should Know: The committee will discuss the parks master plan, dog park and Myrtle grove revitalization concept. The public is invited.

What: Bandon Parks and Recreation Commission meeting
When: 5:30 p.m., August 12
Where: City Council chambers, Bandon City Hall

You Should Know: The city of Bandon Parks and Recreation Commission will hold its monthly meeting. The public is welcome.

What: Unlimited Book Club
When: 6 p.m., August 12
Where: Meeting will be virtual on Zoom. Register for free at <https://is.gd/7o-zUCW>.

You Should Know: A partnership between Coos History Museum, Coos Bay Public Library and North Bend Public Library, the Unlimited Book Club was formed to encourage awareness and foster community discussions on equity, diversity and inclusion through reading and thoughtful conversation.

Information: Call 541-756-6320 x216 or email education@cooshistory.org.

What: North Bend Planning Commission meeting
When: 7 p.m., August 16
Where: Council chambers, City Hall

You Should Know: The Planning Commission will hear a request to modify the existing conditional use permit for Hillcrest Elementary School. The public is welcome.

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: 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 te Explorer's Club for a fun educational opportunity.

Information: Call 541-756-6320

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pharmaceutical companies,” Merkley said. “That’s what other countries do. It’s time to change the situation where Americans are being ripped off and gouged. This moment, with this reconciliation bill, let’s drive the change through.”

Merkley was joined by Lee Saunders, the president of American Federation of State County Municipal Employees, the largest public sector union in the nation. Saunders agreed it was time to make changes to improve the healthcare system.

“This 56th anniversary of Medicare is more than a celebration,” Saunders said. “It has got to be a call to action. A call to action to

expand, improve and modernize the program. These costs are rising faster than any other American product or service, far beyond the rate of inflation. We all know the reason why. Big pharma has a monopoly power to set their own prices and keep rising them up and gouging anytime they want. There is not an enforcement law to stop them, and the pandemic

The Coos County Noxious Weed Board presents:

Weed of the Month

Purple Loosestrife

(*Lythrum salicaria*)

ID Tips: -perennial
-usually in wet areas
-between 3' - 9' tall; avg. 6' -magenta flower spikes with 5-7 petals
-leaves long, narrow -ridged, 4-6 sided stem
-blooms July to Sept.

What's so bad about Purple Loosestrife?

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

What should I do if I find Purple Loosestrife?

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

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

Douglas spirea- fluffy flower heads, round stem.

Fireweed- Longer leaves, round stem, 4 petals.

Watson's willowherb- 4 notched petals. Slight leaf serration.

Noxious weeds are everyone's responsibility!

Have you seen me?
Contact: Coos Watershed Association (541) 888-5922
x309 or Coquille Watershed Association (541) 396-2541
Or call the invasive species hotline 866-INVADER (1-866-468-2337)

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HOW TO PLAY:

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

ACROSS

1 Outscored

4 "Finding —"

8 Busy place, slangily

11 Comedian Poehler

12 Inking

13 Parade feature

14 Some toothpaste

15 German industrial region

16 Like good brandy

17 "I" trouble?

19 Folk-song mule

21 Paquin of "True Blood"

22 Thailand, once

25 Actress Bassett

29 Between pi and sigma

31 Course of action

34 Stop — — — dime

35 Voting group

36 Limping along

37 Cotton seeder

38 Mislaidd

39 Pet shop sound

40 Cook gently

42 Party-thrower's plea

44 Cuzco founder

47 Diminutive being

49 Hoity-toity (hyph.)

51 So-so grades

54 Moby Dick pursuer

56 Sun, in Acapulco

57 Sack out

58 Whimper

59 Old monitor

60 Dwight's nickname

61 Sea eagle

62 Lennon's spouse

DOWN

1 Conduct (a war)

2 Sweater letter

3 Parachute material

4 Honda rival

5 Mild Dutch cheese

6 "Drop — — line"

7 Galley movers

8 Zig's opposite

9 1300 hours

10 Peculiar

13 South Seas paradise

18 Absurd

20 Third king of Judah

23 The younger Guthrie

24 Electrical units

26 Disco dancer (hyph.)

27 Ms. Bagnold

28 Terra firma

30 Harvest moon mo.

31 Pilot a ferry

32 Place of refuge

33 Elec. units

35 Mix together

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45 Kid who rode Diablo

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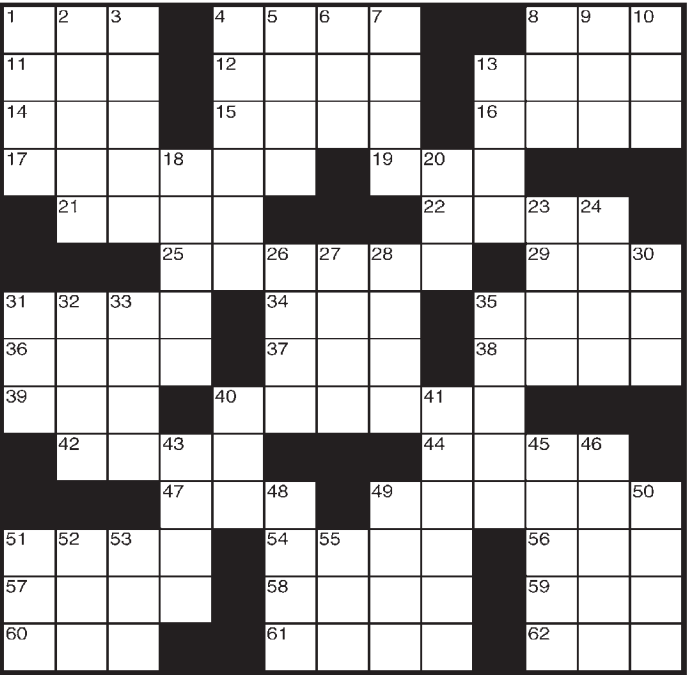
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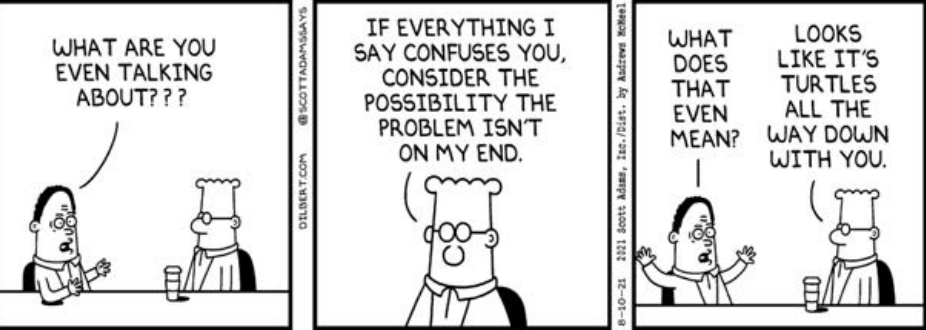
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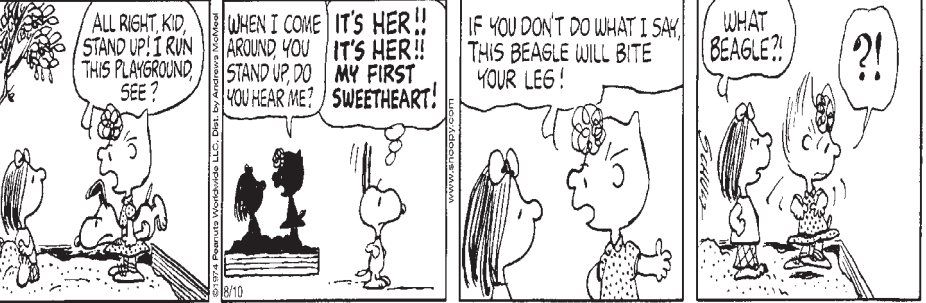
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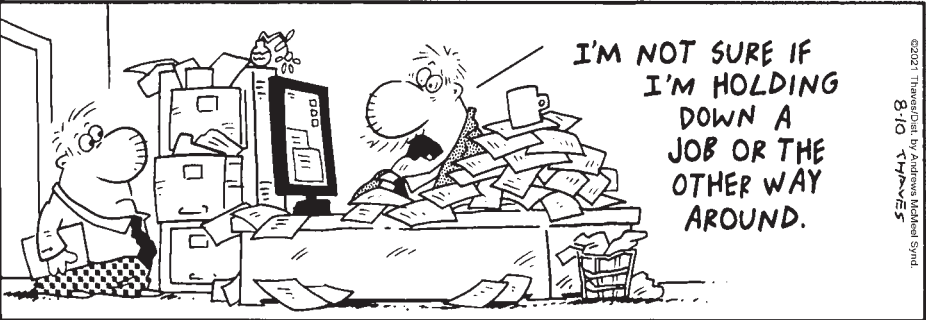
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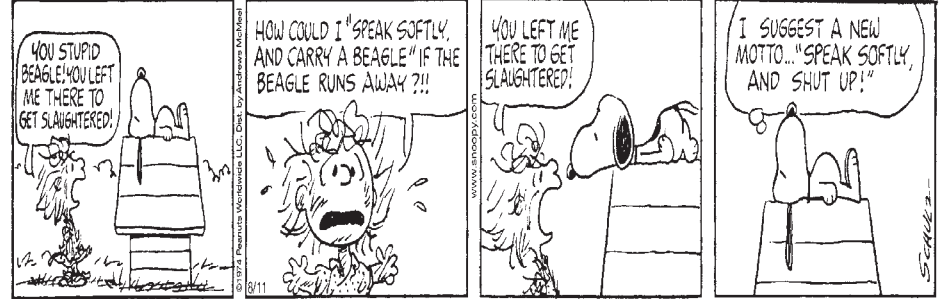


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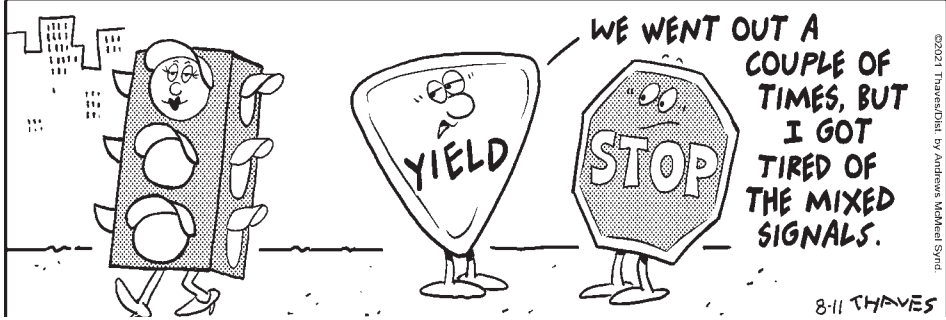
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PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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HOW TO PLAY:

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ACROSS

1 Nothing

6 Like magma

12 Island welcomes

14 Loath

15 Dainty

16 Canal city

17 Chi follower

18 Goal

19 Nov. and Feb.

21 Path to satori

23 "— take forever!"

26 Quick turn

27 Danger color

28 Pungent veggie

30 Building wing

31 Do arithmetic

32 Playing marble

33 Glossy

35 "Ugh!"

37 Narrow inlet

38 Succinct

39 Sister of Helios

40 Kitchen pest

41 Recipe amt.

42 Fabric meas.

43 Flavor enhancer, for short

44 Columbus sch.

46 A Stooge

48 Less defined

51 Sibyl

55 Skeleton's place?

56 Graduate, almost

57 Becomes edible

58 Raised platform

DOWN

1 Use a microwave

2 Seine ait

3 "Thanks a —!"

4 Casino "coins"

5 Chapeaux

6 Connoisseur

7 Roast cooker

8 Kind of library

9 Part of TNT

10 PC bailout key

11 Social Register word

13 Confiscated

19 Birdseed

20 Gawkers

22 Swirled around

24 Small crowns

25 Foolishly fond

26 Tangy taste

27 Gather leaves

28 Shade trees

29 Orderly

34 Adopt

36 Universe

42 Nomad dwellings

43 Intended

45 Detected

47 Raw minerals

48 Playback machine

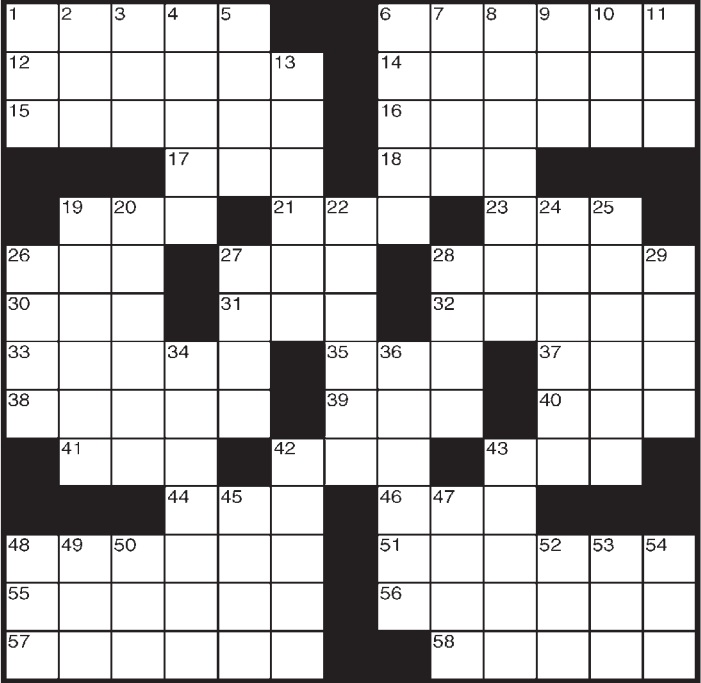
49 — Baba and the Forty Thieves

50 Pol. party

52 Spies' org.

53 Cut timber

54 Afore



THURSDAY

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- ACROSS
- 1 Butter square
 - 4 Pecs' partners
 - 7 Female deer
 - 10 Conquistador's quest
 - 11 R2-D2's owner
 - 13 Birds of prey
 - 14 Interest amt.
 - 15 Astronomer — Sagan
 - 16 Thaw
 - 17 Someone feted
 - 19 Director — Kazan
 - 20 Mortarboard
 - 21 Filmy fabric
 - 23 Army wear
 - 26 Cheapen
 - 28 Flying saucer
 - 29 Main rte.
 - 30 Bygone anesthetic
 - 34 Hagglng point
 - 36 Modicum
 - 38 A Gershwin

- DOWN
- 1 Fireworks noise
 - 2 Graceful entryway
 - 3 Oz canine
 - 4 Bauxite giant
 - 5 Like Winnie-the-Pooh's hand (2 wds.)

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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6 "Your highness"

7 Reside

8 Dragon of puppetry

9 Is, in Segovia

12 Prince Val's wife

13 Short-order fare

18 Cpl. or Sgt.

22 Secondhand

23 Tea holder

24 Botswana's cont.

25 Miss Piggy's word

27 Data unit

29 Listen

31 Dash off

32 Make a wrong move

33 Barnyard animal

35 Pie parts

37 "Sweet" girl of song

40 Fragrant wood

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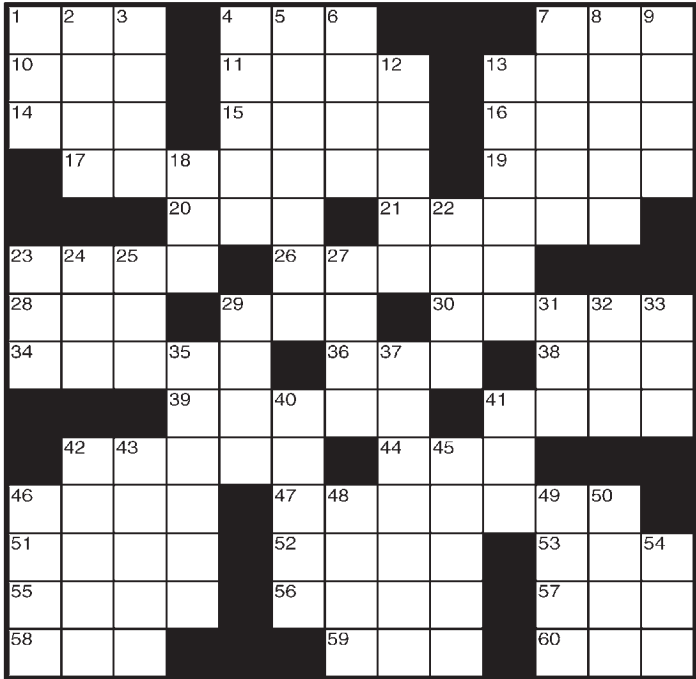
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DILBERT

WE LAUNCHED OUR NEW "LAZY WALLY" ROBOT PRODUCT TODAY. ALL IT DOES IS DRINK COFFEE, ATTEND MEETINGS, AND COMPLAIN.

THAT ROBOT WILL NEVER REPLACE ME!

YOU'RE THE ROBOT. WALLY IS SITTING ACROSS FROM YOU.

WELL, THAT JUST RUINED MY DAY.

CLASSIC PEANUTS

A few thoughts concerning a lost love.

Rats!

FRANK AND ERNEST

HERE'S YOUR PROBLEM! IT SAYS, "PUSH DOWN WHILE TURNING TO REMOVE."

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 - 12 Go without grub
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 - 15 Medicinal plant
 - 16 Orpheus' harp
 - 17 Sponsorship
 - 19 Sheathed with metal
 - 20 Face or amble lead-in
 - 21 CEO degree
 - 22 Cowboy's ride
 - 25 Rumors, often
 - 28 Bravo, in Barcelona
 - 29 Small brook
 - 31 Scotland Yard div.
 - 33 — kwon do
 - 34 Satisfy fully
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 - 2 Mr. Eban
 - 3 Mocking comment
 - 4 Exam option
 - 5 Canteen initials

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7 Lavish country homes

8 "Orinoco Flow" singer

9 Brace for trouble

10 Had brunch

12 Less cloudy

18 Family MDs

19 Big rigs' radios

21 Shed one's coat

22 Like stolen goods

23 Viking name

24 Projection room unit

25 Very pleased

26 Froze over

27 Disagreeable person

30 Mother of Horus

32 Apply henna

35 Weds in haste

38 Porter pen name (2 wds.)

39 Matter, in law

41 Wonder

43 Links

44 Norse Zeus

45 Watery

47 Bread grains

48 Halo, of sorts

49 Bulldogs backer

50 Toast spread

51 Make a decision

53 Boastful knight

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GUEST COLUMN

The ‘80s called. They want their safety dance back

By THOMAS L. KNAPP

“We can dance if we want to,” sang Ivan Doroschuk of Men Without Hats in 1982. “We can leave your friends behind / ‘Cause your friends don’t dance and if they don’t dance / Well they’re, no friends of mine.” The song seems to be enjoying renewed popularity on classic hit radio lately, and its lyrics perfectly describe both the mass hysteria of the last 18 months and the polarization among Americans over the meaning and importance of “safety” in the age of COVID-19.

That trend has a tail dragging back into the past. How far? I’m not quite sure. But as early as 2016, students at Emory University broke into protest over being made to “feel unsafe” (one of the protesters’ exact words) by, of all things, sidewalk chalk. Specifically, sidewalk chalk slogans supporting one of that year’s presidential candidates (I’m sure you can guess who).

Recently a friend told me that, because the COVID-19 vaccine he received (Johnson & Johnson) might not be highly effective against the Delta variant, anyone not wearing a mask represents a threat to his life.

I believe he believes that. Not because it’s true, but because “feeling safe” has become an all-consuming obsession that trumps science, common sense and often even pre-existing and seemingly strong ties of friendship or family.

I’ve watched long-time acquaintances break with each other on social media over such issues as mask and vaccination mandates, sometimes even over disagreements as to what this or that particular disease statistic portends (“if they don’t dance / Well they’re, no friends of mine”).

The COVID-19 Safety Dance seems to have less to do with actually “being safe” than with

“feeling safe.” In fact, it arguably has less to do with “feeling safe” than with obsessively finding reasons to continue “feeling unsafe” whether the feeling is justified or not.

In that respect, the COVID-19 Safety Dance has a lot in common with St. John’s Dance and St. Vitus’s Dance. For nearly 300 years, between the 14th and 17th centuries, groups of people in Europe would occasionally break out in mass hysterical dances and just boogied day and night (sometimes in the direction of shrines to the aforementioned saints) until they collapsed from exhaustion or injured themselves too badly to continue. Sound familiar?

Early in the pandemic, both U.S. Surgeon General Jerome Adams and Dr. Anthony Fauci of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Disease informed the public that “the science” doesn’t support masking as a way to reduce the spread of viral disease.

Within weeks, though, both turned tail and ran headlong away from “the science,” acquiescing to the political imperative of mandating something, anything, that might make people “feel safe.”

Many, perhaps most, Americans, spent the better part of a year wearing masks as visible symbols of their piety and devotion to the Cult of Feeling Safe, in between ritual baths in hand sanitizer.

After more than six months of widely available and seemingly pretty effective vaccines, many Americans are still looking for excuses to keep dancing.

It’s unhealthy.
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Letters to the Editor

Not a fan of flag proposal

I agree with Bill Bell on seemingly limitless PC letters in Tuesday’s newspaper page 5. Page 1 of the same newspaper has the “Coos Bay Council considering flag policy.”

In my opinion, we are all of the same race...the human race. We are all citizens of the United States or at least wannabes. We are residents of the state of Oregon. Do we really want our councilors, and do our councilors, who are likely to lose votes no matter which they they vote and such devisive issues, to dictate whose flag can and cannot be flown?

To be PC, I would suggest that a week, maybe in rainy mid-January, be set aside so any person who wants to fly a flag and can afford the cost of city personnel to hoist and lower it can fly any ol’ flag. Brown-eyed Chevy owners who feed their children peanut butter and jelly sandwiches could even fly their own flag much to the disgust of blue-eyed Ford owners who feed their kids peanut butter and jam sandwiches.

Charlotte Keopke
Coos Bay

Want to know what Fascism is? Go to the source

Charles Kraebel, in his letter dated 7/31, opined that people have a “fundamental misunderstanding of the nature of Fascism.” The attributes he lists are close in some areas, yet way off base in others. Go to the source, I say.

In “The Doctrine of Fascism.”

Matt Wilbanks
Coos Bay

Gentile lay out the specific tenets of Fascism. I’ve broken these down in a much longer article on my website, Dailyresister.com, but a Fascist State is primarily:

- Spiritualistic (the state as religion)
- Anti-individualistic
- Totalitarian
- Nationalistic
- Collectivistic yet right wing
- Regulatory
- Revolutionary and progressive
- Imperialistic

Mr. Kraebel also uses “The Paradox of Tolerance” as envisioned by philosopher Karl Popper to justify intolerance of Fascism. He conveniently leaves out the fact that Popper was an Austrian who dabbled in Marxism as a young man and later rejected it because of its violence. Popper also lived through the rise of Fascism. A simple read of the Wikipedia article on Popper will show that he was a critic of all totalitarian ideologies, not just Fascism.

The idea that Marxism is Left wing and Fascism right wing is utter nonsense. They are both totalitarian ideologies. Mussolini was an avowed Marxist in his younger years. He created Fascism as a response to the parts of Marxism that he felt were not practical. He makes this claim multiple times throughout “The Doctrine of Fascism”. Go read it and learn.

It would behoove Mr. Kraebel to do a bit more reading and not cherry pick ideas which he believes support his claims.



GUEST COLUMN

New words that didn’t survive the test of time

By JUNE CASAGRANDE

The people who make dictionaries have a tough job. The hardest part: figuring out which new words have gained enough of a foothold in the language to earn a place in the dictionary.

It’s hard because they’re not calling the shots. You are. Lexicographers spend all day looking for new words and new ways people are using old words. They search different “corpora,” or language databases, to see how often the terms show up. Then they try to gauge whether the word has become entrenched enough to warrant a spot in the dictionary.

Often, they get it right. Other times, words don’t have quite the staying power lexicographers anticipated. Here are a few dictionary additions that flopped.

Crisphead (1966): In a year when “acidhead,” “blitzed,” “qualalude,” “druggie,” “headshop,” “meth” and “mind-blowing” first made their way into Merriam-Webster’s, “crisphead” probably sounded like a groovy new addition to the English language. But did we really need another word for iceberg lettuce? Apparently not. According to Google’s Ngram Viewer tool, which counts how often words appear in books, “crisphead” peaked (if you will) in the late 1980s and its use is down about 85% since that time.

Hahnium (1970): Four years later, it seems that the English language had come down from its trip. “Clonazepam,” “clotrimazole,” “clozapine,” “cognitive therapy” and “comorbid,” along with “medicalize,” “miconazole,” “microaggression” “obesogenic” and “T cell,” took their places in the dictionary to reflect the language’s weighty new sense of sobriety. Also in Merriam’s class of 1970, was a new synonym for dubnium, a short-lived radioactive element that apparently didn’t need another name. “Hahnium,” a word for dubnium, grew in popularity for a while but plummeted in the 1990s.

Axion (1978): By the late ‘70s, science was still making a splash in Americans’ speech. “Bioenergy,” “bitmapped,” “campylobacteriosis,” “free-electron laser,” “gene-splicing” “information technology” and “nanostructure” took places

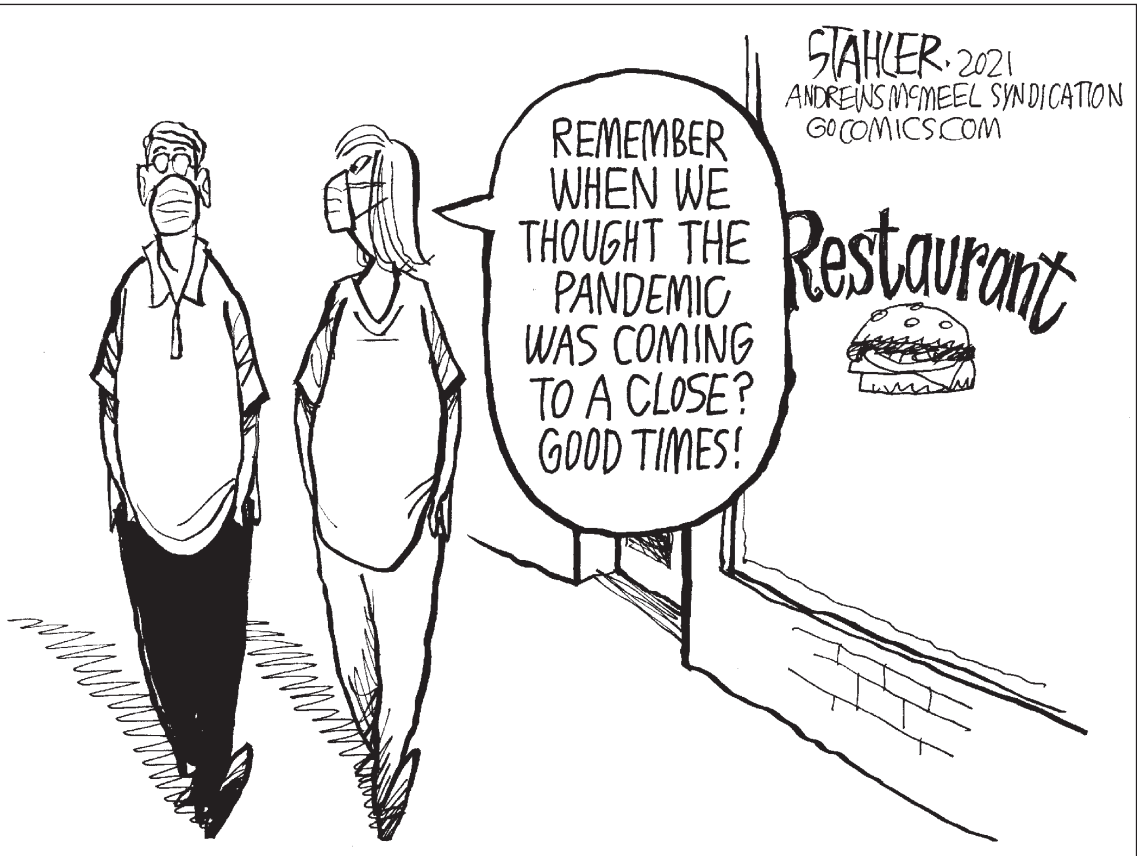
in Merriam-Webster’s. But not every scientific concept had staying power. “Axion,” meaning “a hypothetical subatomic particle of low mass and energy that is postulated to exist because of certain properties of the strong force,” hit peak popularity in 1988, then crashed 76% by 2019.

Buppie: (1986): Hey, remember the ‘80s — a time when people thought that jeans should be washed in acid and that Eddie Murphy was a singer? Shallowness and self-indulgence came roaring back, bringing dictionary entries like “golden parachute,” “infomercial” and “crony capitalism” (1981) and “blush wine,” “spendy” and “horndog” (1984), followed by “stress ball,” “stair-stepper” and “unibrow” (1988). But unlike the 1981 hit “yuppie,” the 1984 follow-up, “buppie,” meaning a yuppie who was also Black, didn’t take off in the language, showing up just 1% as often as “yuppie” at its peak.

Digerati (1992): Think the ‘90s were just “meh”? In fact, the decade’s new words show this was a far more transformative time than your Macarena memories suggest. “Augmented reality,” “hacktivism,” “EVOO” (for extra virgin olive oil), “cytokine storm” and “meh” itself, which were all added in 1992, seem downright prescient today. Even the 1991 “zoodle,” meaning a zucchini noodle, keeps getting more popular every year. Back then, it must have seemed a safe bet that “digerati” had a bright future. But no, this noun meaning a person well versed in computers, peaked in popularity right before the turn of the century, at which point it fell off a cliff.

The new millennium: A lot of words have been added since the year 2000 and there’s no telling which ones will fade into obscurity. “Bromance” and “twerking” (2001), “borked” (2002), “sapiosexual” (2004), “copypasta” (2006), “fatberg” (2008), “jeggung” (2009), “escape room” (2012), “manspreading” (2014) and “non-fungible token” (2017) all seem headed for the chopping block. But only time will tell.

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OBITUARIES

Cynthia “Cindy” L. Benward

January 21, 1951 – May 10, 2021



A celebration of life for Cynthia “Cindy” L. Benward, 70, of Coos Bay, will be held at 11:00 am, Saturday, August 28, 2021, at the Coos Bay Chapel, 685 Anderson Avenue in Coos Bay, with Robin McCreery of the Universal Life Church, officiating. A reception will follow at the Black Market Gourmet, 495 Central Avenue in Coos Bay.

Cindy was born January 21, 1951, in Cincinnati, Ohio to Ernst Jr and Adeline Hanfbauer. She passed away unexpectedly at her home, May 10, 2021.

Although born in Ohio, Cindy grew up in Kennewick, Washington with her parents, sister and a large loving family of aunts, uncles, and cousins. She attended public school, graduating from Kennewick High School, where she played tennis and enjoyed the companionship of her many fellow Lions.

Cindy married Curt Benward September 12, 1970, and shortly thereafter moved to Ellensburg, Washington, while Curt attended college. Their daughter, Cara L. was born there, bringing the joy of parenthood into their lives. After leaving Ellensburg, the family lived in Spokane, Coos Bay, Redmond,



Washington, Baltimore, Maryland, and Bellevue, Washington. They returned to Coos Bay with Cindy and Curt living there together for over 35 years.

Always a worker, Cindy held many different jobs. She worked for King Cable, Pacific Power, GTE, Boeing, and South Coast Business. Her last job of almost a decade and a half was at Bay Area Hospital as an educational specialist. She thoroughly enjoyed the work and the people at BAH. Cindy loved all her jobs, but she often remarked her experience at BAH was the best. She retired from BAH in 2015.

Cindy was a creative individual. Throughout her life she was always engaged in some artistic or imaginative endeavor. She played the piano, painted, and quilted. Cindy was well known among her friends and family for the beautiful cards she made to celebrate events in their lives. Cindy’s card making opened up another whole group of friends to her. She belonged to online card creating groups and every year did a retreat in Bandon with her good friends, the Tsunami Sisters.

She also from childhood liked playing board and card games. Cindy

belonged to Bunco and pinochle groups. She would travel with friends to play Hand and Foot at the Lakeside Senior Center. During the difficult times of COVID isolation, she would get others to play online. Her grandchildren have many memories of her playing Uno, and other card games with them.

Her outgoing personality was contagious. Cindy loved people and they in turn loved her back. Always greeting folks with a smile and offering a helping hand if needed. She was a very empathetic person, consoling individuals during difficult times. In a crowd you could always find Cindy by listening for her loud and joyful laughter. You couldn’t ask for a better friend. Cindy and her beautiful red hair will truly be missed by all that knew and loved her.

Cindy is survived by her husband of 50 years, Curt; their daughter, Cara L. Day and her husband, Norman of Coos Bay; her sister, Vicki Mannix and her husband, Brian of Angels Camp, CA; uncle, Rafael “Ray” Bernal of Spokane Valley, WA; her two beautiful and wonderful grandchildren, Brooke and Jacob Day; her nieces, Shannon Johnson and Megan Mannix and their families; and very special cousins and their families she grew up with.

Cindy was preceded in death by her parents, Ernst and Adeline.

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

Noreen L. Robeson



Noreen Laberta Robeson was surrounded by loved ones as she passed away at 92, July 11, 2021. She will always be remembered as a beloved mother and grandmother.

Mrs. Robeson was born to Floyd and Maudie Samson in Nebraska, but grew up in Wisconsin on their family farm. Noreen later moved to Oregon where she met her husband Sam at the hospital where she worked. She moved to Coos Bay when she married in 1952, became a homemaker, and later worked in housekeeping at the Red Lion Inn and Eagles Lodge. She loved traveling in her motorhome, and enjoyed snowmobiling and car racing with family and friends. She was also active in the Charleston Fire Department.

She is survived by sons and daughters-in-law, Gerald and Sherry Robeson of Butte Falls, Terrance and Lynnda Robeson of Sutherlin; daughters, Ellen Richardson of Coos Bay and Marcia Robeson of Sutherlin; 2 sisters; 7 grandchildren; 9 great grandchildren; nephews and nieces. She was preceded in death by her husband, Sam in 2000.

The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God shall stand forever.

Isaiah 40:8
A private family gathering will be held in Coos Bay at Ocean View Memory Gardens.

Annie Louella Evans Morgan

January 20, 1923 – December 12, 2020

While heaven may rejoice and the angles are singing, it is with a heavy heart to announce the death of my Gram, Annie Louella Evans Morgan. After sharing all she had, she joined her husband, Carroll Morgan in heaven December 12, 2020.

Annie was a wife for 66 years; a mom to 5; gramma to 12; great gramma to 23; and a great-great gramma to 9. 49 people in all, just because two people fell in love.

Annie was born January 20, 1923 up the South Slough. During her childhood, she went back and forth to Portland, living with her grandparents or with her aunt Tonte and to Coos Bay, where she graduated from Marshfield High School.

Annie met Carroll at church and as they say.....

the rest is history. They were married in 1942. Together they moved around Oregon and California until they settled in Florence for 45 years. Annie moved back to Coos Bay after the death of her husband and lived in her hometown for 8 more years.

Throughout her adult life she worked various jobs. She was a cranberry picker, baby sitter, waitress, dairy farmer, hotel owner, worm farmer and housekeeper until she was 90. Most importantly she was a wife, mom, gramma and friend to many.

Annie loved the simple things that life had to offer, so let’s celebrate her life doing what she loved. Watch a baseball game and hope for a good game and not for a team. Plant her favorite colored Pansies (purple and yellow). Grab a

shovel and move some dirt. Transplant a Lily. Find a wild Azalea and breathe deeply. Ponder why your Irises aren’t blooming. Gather family to play UNO and eat popcorn with a spoon so the cards don’t get greasy. Become a pancake extraordinaire, animal shaped pancakes are the best, just ask her grandkids. Go to the beach to watch the waves and have a weenie roast. On the weekend make a pot of hamburger soup because you never know who will stop by for a visit.

Thanks for all of the love Gram. You were the heartbeat of this family and will be greatly missed.

Funeral services will August 21, 2021 at 2:00 pm at her church, Church of Christ, 775 Donnelly Ave Coos Bay.

Merkley secures investments to create Oregon jobs

Oregon’s U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley recently announced that he secured key provisions that will help create jobs and deliver essential services in Oregon communities in the Senate Appropriations Committee’s Energy and Water appropriations bill.

“Every year, I look to the Senate appropriations process to help Oregonians complete projects and support their communities, creating jobs and better access to essential services,” said Merkley. “This bill includes many bipartisan investments in things like renewable energy and energy storage—which Oregonians need to build a foundation for long-term prosperity—as well as support for other projects that will have positive impacts in the near future, like dredging our

small ports, restoring dams and canal locks, and crucial drought relief funding. I will continue to use my seat on this committee to push for the resources that will make a difference for Oregonians.”

Merkley is the only Oregon member of Congress from either chamber since Senator Mark Hatfield to serve on the Appropriations Committee, considered to be one of the most powerful on Capitol Hill. He joined the committee in 2013 so that Oregon would have a strong voice in decisions about the investments our nation should be making.

Key elements of the legislation that will impact Oregon include:

Drought relief: In light of the unprecedented drought conditions in Oregon, Senator Merkley was

able to secure \$450 million in emergency appropriations for drought relief, to be allocated by the Secretary of Interior.

Small Ports and Army Corps Navigation: The program, which is vital source of funding to help Oregon ports pay for dredging and other necessary infrastructure projects, received over \$172 million for deep-draft harbor and channel improvements, \$25 million for inland waterways, \$40 million for navigation maintenance, and \$60 million for small ports, which supports the small ports that are the lifeblood of Oregon’s coastal economy. This funding was not included in the President’s Budget and Senator Merkley fought to restore it.

Water Conservation and Habitat Restoration: The WaterSmart program received \$48 million to fund projects that will help irrigation districts comply with the Endangered Species Act. The WaterSmart program has supported the collaborative process in Central Oregon launched by legislation written by Merkley and former Congressman Greg Walden to conserve water, improve habitat for endangered steelhead and the spotted frog, and keep Central Oregon family farms in business.

The next step for the bill is a full Senate vote, and eventually merging with a counterpart bill from the U.S. House of Representatives in order to be passed by both houses and signed into law.

DEATH NOTICES

Evalyn Marie Johnson, 89, of Roseburg, formerly longtime resident of Reedsport and Coos Bay, passed away August 4, 2021 in Roseburg. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 coosbayareafunerals.com

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DEAR ABBY By Abigail Van Buren

HUSBAND’S ALCOHOLISM NOW PITS HIM AGAINST TEENAGED SON

DEAR ABBY: Sometimes when my husband, “Tom,” drinks he becomes volatile. A month ago, after being out drinking, he came home very late. I made a joke that upset him and he started yelling and calling me names. I have learned that when Tom gets like that, it’s best to just agree with him.

On that occasion, it didn’t work, and he began breaking things. Our teenage son “Eric” was so scared he called the police. When the police arrived they told my husband who had placed the call and interviewed each of us separately. After they left, Tom called Eric ugly names, told him he was done with him and hasn’t spoken to him since. If they are in the same room, my husband won’t look at him or talk to him.

I don’t know how to fix this. I worry about how this will affect Eric. He tries to avoid his dad now and goes to his room when he hears his dad come home. -- BAD BEHAVIOR IN TEXAS

DEAR BAD BEHAVIOR: Your husband may blame his abusive outbursts on his drinking, but as you can see, he’s well aware of what he did after he sobers up. Eric was right to call the police because, after “breaking things,” his father could have gone after you.

This unfortunate situation will not improve until Tom faces the fact that he’s a problem drinker, swears off the sauce and gets help. By not insisting upon it, you have cast yourself in the role of his enabler. For your sake and Eric’s, draw the line. (The healthiest person in your household appears to be your son.)

Talk to Eric. Let him know he did nothing wrong. There are programs for families of alcoholics that can be accessed by visiting al-anon.org/info. Attending Al-Anon meetings would be beneficial for you and Eric, regardless of what your husband decides about drying out.

DEAR ABBY: My husband’s daughter has “borrowed” money from us on countless occasions when she couldn’t pay her bills. She has never

made an effort to repay it. She was recently included in someone’s will, and the bequest was sizable. Prior to receiving her inheritance, she had asked to borrow money to buy three major appliances. Because it would be several months until the estate would be settled and it was a large sum that we really couldn’t afford to lose, we required her to sign a promissory note. She mailed us a check when her funds arrived, but now she’s cut off all communication with us! We have tried to resume normal relations with her to no avail. Should we keep trying? -- IGNORED IN THE EAST

DEAR IGNORED: So your husband’s daughter is offended because you made her sign a promissory note before handing out (more) money you couldn’t afford to lose? In light of the fact that she hasn’t repaid you for all the other monies you helped her out with when she needed it, what you did was sensible.

Rather than accept that in the past she has behaved irresponsibly, which is why you asked for the guarantee of repayment, she’s blaming YOU?! Instead of beating your heads against a stone wall trying to have a relationship with your husband’s deadbeat daughter, you would be better off bidding your time until she once again needs something.

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Announcements

The City of Reedsport is accepting sealed bids for the following: 1991 Western States Fire Apparatus built by Spartan Motors with approximately 22,069 miles and 2,548 hours. Cummins Diesel Engine, C Series 240 HP, Allison Automatic Transmission, Hale mid-ship pump 1250 GPM, 750 gallon steel tank (minor leak), runs good. Seats six, (2) SCBA seats Warning lights, light bar and siren Discharges: (5) 2.5 Pre-connects: (2) 2.5 Intakes: (2) 5", (3) 2.5" This apparatus is not certifiable as is. \$5,000 reserve bid. Additional equipment not included with purchase unless otherwise 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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Ainsworth, Davidson named first-team all league

THE WORLD

State champion Marshfield had a pair of players on the Sky-Em League's first team for boys basketball while league champion Junction City swept the top awards.

Marshfield juniors Mason Ainsworth and Pierce Davidson were named to the first team, while fellow junior Dom Montiel was on the second team and senior Noah Niblett received honorable mention.

The Pirates finished second to Junction City in the league standings, but won a road playoff game over Gladstone to get into the final four and then beat Woodburn in the semifinals at North Bend and Cascade in the championship game at Marshfield's Pirate Palace.

Junction City's Riley Sangermano was the player of the year and Craig Rothenburger was coach of the year. The Tigers swept the Pirates during the Sky-Em season, but lost to Woodburn in the playoffs.

The Sky-Em League's girls coaches did not vote for an all-league team.

Sky-Em League Boys
Player of the Year — Riley Sangermano, Junction City
Coach of the Year — Craig Rothenburger, Junction City
First Team — Riley Sangermano, sr, Junction City; Mason Ainsworth, jr, Marshfield; Pierce Davidson, jr, Marshfield; Braydon Thornton, jr, Siuslaw; Ben Heitz, sr, Junction City; Alec Vendetti, sr, Marist Catholic.
Second Team — Tresyn Herbert, sr, Marist Catholic; Brody Terry, jr, Siuslaw; Dom Montiel, jr, Marshfield; Court Knabe, soph, Junction City; Ben Morehouse, sr, Marist Catholic.
Honorable Mention — Jayden Cameron, jr, Cottage Grove; Ryan Cary, jr, Marist Catholic; Luke Eagen, sr, Marist Catholic; Brennen Murphy, soph, Cottage Grove; Jacob Marr, sr, Elmira; Chris Ohman, jr, Junction City; Noah Niblett, sr, Marshfield; Ty Kishen, jr, Cottage Grove.
All Defensive Team — Noah Niblett, Marshfield; Chris Ohman, jr, Junction City; Haghan Stephenson, sr, Marist Catholic; Braydon Thornton, jr, Siuslaw; Brennen Murphy, soph, Cottage Grove; Blake Wigham, sr, Elmira.

Marshfield's Mason Ainsworth drives through the lane during the Pirates' state championship game against Cascade. Ainsworth was named to the first team for the Sky-Em League.



John Gunther, For The World

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Bandon girls sweep top league awards

Bandon swept the top basketball awards for the Sunset Conference in voting by the league's coaches after the recent season.

Senior Kennedy Turner was the player of the year and teammate Sterling Williams, another senior, was defensive player of the year. Bandon's Jordan Sammons was named coach of the year.

The Tigers claimed their second straight league title and ultimately finished fourth in the Class 2A state tournament.

Sammons said both players were deserving of their honors and that he was pleased the league's coaches voted the way they did.

"I was stoked for them," he said, adding "well-deserved for sure."

Turner and Williams, Bandon's only seniors, were named to the first team while three of the team's freshmen also received recognition.

Olivia Thompson and Katelyn Senn were on the second team and Makiah Vierck on the third team.

The rest of the first team included Gold Beach teammates Kailina Hamilton and Gabby Perez, Myrtle Point's Maddie Reynolds and Waldport's Kylie Burke.

Sunset Conference boys
Waldport's Zak Holsey was the league's most valuable player and Matthew Brown of the Irish was coach of the year. Toledo's Mason McAlpine was defensive player of the year.
League champion Toledo had two first-team picks — McAlpine and Jaxon Rozewski. The rest of the first team included Holsey, Gold Beach's Gianni Altman, Luke Nicholson of Myrtle Point and Bandon's Trevor Angove.
Sunset Conference Girls
Most Valuable Player — Kennedy Turner, Bandon
Defensive Player of the Year — Sterling Williams, Bandon
Coach of the Year — Jordan Sammons, Bandon
First Team — Kennedy Turner, sr, Bandon; Kailina Hamilton, jr, Gold Beach; Maddie Reynolds, jr, Myrtle Point; Sterling Williams, sr, Bandon; Gabby Perez, soph, Gold Beach; Kylie Burk, sr, Waldport.
Second Team — Katelyn Senn, fr, Bandon; Charity Smith, jr, Waldport; Olivia Thompson, fr, Bandon; Gabby Clifford, soph, Gold Beach; Sarah Nicholson, sr, Myrtle Point.
Third Team — Hadley McSharry, jr, Waldport; Max Jones, soph, Gold Beach; Morgan Hinds, sr, Toledo; Makiah Vierck, fr, Bandon; Bailey Higgins, jr, Coquille.
Honorable Mention — Allison Storts, jr, Myrtle Point; Cayden Ritchey, soph, Waldport; Ilene Glover, jr, Reedsport; Jaylyn Rayevich, jr, Coquille; Jessica Dooley, sr, Waldport; Cheyenne McCart, sr, Reedsport.



Top photo by Tom Hutton, bottom photo by John Gunther

Above, Bandon's Kennedy Turner goes to the hoop during the Tigers' playoff game against Regis. Turner was named player of the year for the Sunset Conference. Below, Bandon's Sterling Williams directs traffic during one of the Tigers' games this season. Williams was named defensive player of the year for the Sunset Conference.

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First Team — Zak Holsey, jr, Waldport; Gianni Altman, soph, Gold Beach; Luke Nicholson, sr, Myrtle Point; Trevor Angove, jr, Bandon; Mason McAlpine, sr, Toledo; Jaxon Rozewski, sr, Toledo.
Second Team — Gabe Swan, sr, Myrtle Point; Jace Haagen, sr, Coquille; Cooper Lang, jr, Bandon; Gunner Rothenberger, soph, Toledo; Kellen Howard, sr, Toledo.
Third Team — Cort McKinley, sr, Coquille; Levi Fruechte, jr, Waldport; Sean White, sr, Bandon; Andrew Robertson, jr, Bandon; Coren Loper, jr, Toledo.
Honorable Mention — Nelson Wilsted, fr, Gold Beach; Julien Temps, sr, Coquille; Haiden Hanks, fr, Waldport; Garret Sealy, jr, Reedsport; Marcus Cross, sr, Toledo; Jaden Sperling, sr, Coquille; Carsen Bradford, sr, Myrtle Point; Graham Jones, sr, Waldport; Luke Brown, sr, Bandon.



Football officials hold first meeting Wednesday

The Southwestern Oregon Football Officials Association will hold its first meeting at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 11, in the Community Room at Milner Crest School in Coos Bay.

Within a month, high school, junior high and youth football will be starting in earnest on the South Coast. Those games are officiated by the men and women of the Southwestern Oregon Football Officials Association. Each year, the organization relies on its well-trained, experienced, officials, as well as new community, military and student recruits to cover the more than 100 games scheduled between late August and the end of November.

SWOFOA takes pride in its training and mentorship programs, as well as uniform, equipment and membership incentives for new officials so that new recruits have a positive and successful experience on the football field. Members are well-compensated through game fees and mileage reimbursement.

The organization also is an opportunity for people who have benefited from organized youth sports to "pay it forward" to the youth of today.

For more information, call Roy Palmer at 541-580-8133 or David Curley at 541-808-0850.

NFHS begins celebration of 50th anniversary of Title IX

By OSAA TODAY

The NFHS celebrated its 100th anniversary two years ago, and among all the events that have occurred since 1920, perhaps nothing had a more positive impact on high school sports than the passage of Title IX of the Educational Amendments in 1972.

Ironically, the landmark legislation signed by President Richard Nixon on June 23, 1972, did not specifically mention high school athletics:

This week in Coos County history: August 9-11

100 YEARS – 1921

U.S. Navy buys Coos Bay lumber Buehner Co. will ship two cargoes to Mare Island Mostly fir will be sent — Martha Buehner and Tahoe will take it out

The Buehner Lumber Co. has just sold 1,129,000 feet of special order fir and cedar to the U.S. navy department for delivery at Mare Island. The Martha Buehner, which was due in this morning but was delayed by the heavy fog off shore, is to take the bulk of the order and the steamer Tahoe, which is due tonight or tomorrow, will load the balance.

Inspectors Frank Sims and J.A. Jones arrived here yesterday from Bremerton to look after the loading of the cargo. Mr. Sims is an old friend of A.H. Powers, having logged in the same district in Minnesota with him 31 years ago.

This is the largest government order received here in a long time and the Buehner Co. is feeling elated over securing it.

Nearly 300 at Suomi picnic

About 300 enjoyed the 28th annual picnic of the Suomi society at the Allegany Grove yesterday. Five boats were chartered to handle the crowd from the Bay and a number of small private crafts also went up.

Alex Johnson said everything went through in fine shape. There was no program and no athletic contests as the grounds would not permit it.

Dancing in the pavilion lasted from early in the day until late in the afternoon. Then there was boating, fishing, bathing and trips to Golden and Silver Falls, making an ideal outing for young and old.

The Express grounded on the mudflat and its passengers were transferred to the Mary Ann.

Bridge work at Coquille moving New wall in cofferdam is being built Pouring of concrete will begin soon — large force of men employed on job

COQUILLE — The construction of the bridge across the Coquille river is progressing but some additional work is necessary which was not counted on. The

cofferdam on the Coquille side of the river has not held the water back. Quicksand was struck and the water still comes into the cofferdam, so it is necessary to build again around the inside making a double wall. The plan is to pump the water out and then lay the concrete foundation. If the second wall does not hold back all the water it will be necessary to lay the concrete in the water. With this unexpected delay the work is getting along nicely and Contractor Gidley expects to be pouring concrete within a short time. Mr. Gidley has a large force of men at work on the job.

Dead crabs cover beach at Bandon Thousands dead and dying washed in by waves Appeal made to state fish commission to ascertain cause — occurs in past day

C.F. Pape of Bandon, who was here today, appealed to Deputy Game Warden McDaniel to have the fish commission send an expert to Bandon at once to ascertain the cause of thousands of crabs dying along the beach.

Mr. Pape says that the beach is literally covered with the crabs, dead and dying. They have been washing in from sea for the last twenty-four hours and are attracting much attention at Bandon.

He says that there has not been any blasting in the vicinity nor do the crabs show any sign of injury.

Deputy Game Warden McDaniel was getting in touch with State Fish Warden Shoemaker today. He may have Dr. Hayden go over to investigate also.

50 YEARS – 1971

Near record crowds attend Curry Fair

GOLD BEACH — Sunny skies and near-record crowds marked the final day of the 1971 Curry County fair in Gold Beach, Sunday.

Attendance from Friday through Sunday was estimated at 7,500 with another 702 exhibitors entering several hundred displays on Thursday, open-class entry day. Fair attendance increased about 15 per cent over last year, according to Ron

Crook, manager.

Pit barbecued lamb was served Sunday at noon followed by awards presentation. Ophir Grange and Gold Beach Chamber of Commerce will share the “Manager’s Trophy as the central Curry area took the most blue ribbons in all divisions.

The appearance of 19 Del Norte Howonquet Indian Dancers in their native ceremonial costumes Saturday was one of the most popular events. The group performed ancient tribal dances and songs before a capacity crowd in the main fair building.

Ophir Grange took the top two honors when its community booth received the first place award and a frog. “Pure Luck,” a small, but agile jumper entered by the grange won the frog jumping contest held Saturday. The Ophir entrant jumped 1 foot, 8 inches to edge out both Gold Beach and Agness.

SWOCC board OK’s controversial \$1 fee

By a slim 3-2 vote Tuesday night Southwestern Oregon Community College (SWOCC) Board of Directors approved a controversial \$1 per student per term mandatory fee assessment to finance a local chapter of Oregon Students Interest Research Group (OSPIRG) on the SWOCC campus.

OSPIRG has proposed to investigate consumer and environmental protection issues as part of a state-wide student program funded by student money.

Controversy over financing of OSPIRG centered on the issue of a mandatory versus voluntary student assessments to finance the local group’s consumer and environmental protection activities.

SWOCC President Jack Brookins, in a formal recommendation to the board of directors, opposed the mandatory fee assessment, but noted his “complete support of the OSPIRG concept and its goals.”

20 YEARS – 2001

Tourney raises almost \$7,000 for Crisis Service

Future help: Money from event at Coquille Valley Elks course boosts agen-

cy’s expansion fund

The Coos County Women’s Crisis Service’s expansion fund received a big boost from a charity golf tournament.

The tournament in June, hosted by the Coquille Valley Elks Lodge and sponsored by the Coquille Valley Elks Lodge Committee to Aid the Women’s Crisis Service, raised nearly \$7,000, said tournament coordinator David Crumley.

Crumley was planning to present Women’s Crisis Service Director Judy Moody with a check for \$7,706, with all but about \$800 of that money coming from the one-day tournament.

The money is a welcome addition for the Crisis Service, which currently has just 11 beds in its facility for women who need shelter because they are leaving abusive situations or are homeless for other reasons.

“It adds money to our expansion fund, which is necessary since we have been experiencing full shelter for a number of months,” said Moody.

In June alone, the Women’s Crisis Service hosted 20 different women and nine children at one time or other during the month and the shelter was filled every day.

Kristensen, Johnson team to win Classic

Kent Kristensen and Jeff Johnson combined to win the top flight of the Coos Classic two-man golf tournament by five strokes over the weekend.

Kristensen and Johnson had a score of 126 — 14 under par — during the two-day best-ball event to win the A Flight, beating the teams of Casey Mathews/Philip Ngo and Mark Wilson/Joe Jaukkuri by five strokes.

Wayne Laurila and Kent Day had a net score of 118 to win the low net honors in the A Flight. Charles Johnson and Brad Leiken were four strokes back.

In the B Flight, Norm Hill and Jay Jackson had a 146 to take low gross honors by two strokes over the teams of Steve Stalcup/Mike Rose and Brent Sackett/Chuck Kaylor.

Kent Wigle and Larry Knudson teamed for a net score of 118 to win the B Flight’s net division, three strokes better than Gene Shoji and John O’Donnel.

Title IX

From A8

“No person in the United States shall on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.”

While Title IX may not have been targeted to improving the opportunities for girls to participate in high school sports, the numbers indicate that this historic legislation had everything to do with opening the floodgates. Although sports had been a part of high schools for more than 50 years in 1972, those opportunities overwhelmingly were limited to boys.

In an article in High School Today magazine in 2012, Dorothy McIntyre, former assistant executive director of the Minnesota State High School League and one of the leaders of girls athletics at the state level in the early 1970s, summarized the challenges prior to the passage of Title IX:

“That attitude (that girls don’t play sports) germinated in the 1920s and 1930s when a national attitude swept the country that the lives of girls and

women would be better — and more healthy — if they played for fun and not with the pressure of winning, intense coaching and excited crowds . . . Girls sat on the sidelines and watched. The Girls Athletic Association and its recreational activities were deemed to be ‘sufficient’ for girls, or perhaps they could be cheerleaders for the boys teams.”

Opportunity was the key word. After the passage of Title IX, the rapid rise in girls participation in education-based athletics was remarkable. In the last year prior to the passage of Title IX, there were fewer than 300,000 girls who participated in high school sports, or about one in every 27 girls who attended school. In two years, that figure jumped to 1,300,169, and by the 1977-78 school year, girls participation exceeded 2 million — a remarkable increase of almost 1.7 million in just six years.

The number of girls involved in high school sports has continued to increase since those historic years, and currently more than 3.4 million girls are taking advantage of the opportunity to participate in these vital, life-changing programs.

Next year, the 50th anniversary of Title IX occurs on June 23, 2022, and the NFHS has begun a year-long celebration of this

historic event. The lives of millions of girls and women have been positively impacted since 1972, and we will be remembering some of those key individuals and events during the next 12 months.

“Title IX at 50 — Celebrating and Growing Opportunities” will highlight the law’s impact by celebrating the inspirational individuals and landmark moments in the history of Title IX, and continuing to grow the educational and competitive opportunities for the future.

The NFHS has created a page on its website (<https://www.nfhs.org/resources/title-ix/>) to house information throughout the coming year. The page includes a Title IX Timeline, Title IX Milestones, The History and Importance of Title IX, Title IX Fact Sheet, Title IX Frequently Asked Questions and several Title IX videos.

The most recent post highlights two females who have been hired this year to lead NFHS member state associations — Steph-

anie Hauser of the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association and Colleen Maguire of the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association.

NFHS member state associations will receive access to a toolkit containing a number of materials to involve their member schools in promoting the upcoming 50th anniversary of Title IX, including social media graphics, email signatures, website graphics, print ads, fact sheets and videos. Push-to-post social media messaging is planned throughout the year, and the NFHS will highlight Title IX trailblazers each week, along with Moments of Magnitude that have occurred throughout the past 50 years. Articles related to Title IX will appear each month during 2021-22 in High School Today magazine.

In addition, a Title IX course has been added to the NFHS Learning Center (www.NFHSLearn.com), and is designed to help interscholastic profession-

als understand the history and impact of Title IX, as well as the responsibilities held by schools and staff members to maintain an equitable balance between boys and girls programs.

In trying to describe the impact of Title IX as it relates to opportunities for girls to be involved in high school sports, Michele Smith, a three-sport standout at Voorhees High School in Glen Gardner, New Jersey, in the early 1980s, who went on to lead the U.S. Olympic softball team to gold medals in 1996 and 2000 and has been the lead college softball analyst at ESPN for more than 20 years, offered the following thoughts during her recent induction into the NFHS National High School Hall of Fame:

“Title IX was life-changing for many women, especially team sports. When President Nixon signed that bill into law in 1972, it truly impacted the ability, especially in high school sports, for girls to have funding to be able to play team sports. In golf

and tennis and other sports that were more individualized, there was always a way for girls to be able to compete, but to be able to bring together a group of girls — a basketball team of 10, a field hockey team of 20, a softball team of 20-25 — and be able to fund it and have those opportunities for girls to play organized team sports, it was a game-changer for everybody.

“That’s one of the reasons why the ’96 Olympics was such a big deal for all the team sports that won gold medals because it’s that generation — my generation — of the youth through the ’80s and early ’90s that had the opportunity to play teams sports at the high school level and then go on and be elite athletes. Without Title IX, the world of sports for women looks completely different.”

The yearlong celebration will conclude at the 2022 NFHS Summer Meeting, which will be held June 28-July 2 next year in San Antonio, Texas.

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Oregon State scientists collaborate on road map for adapting dry forests to new fire regimes

By STEVE LUNDEBERG

Oregon State University scientists and collaborators from throughout the West say that thinning and prescribed burning are crucial parts of adaptive management for seasonally dry, fire-dependent forests such as those east of the Cascade crest.

In a paper published this week in *Ecological Applications*, Andrew Merschel, James Johnston and Meg Krawchuk of the OSU College of Forestry also join other researchers in acknowledging the role of Indigenous fire stewardship in past and present landscapes and the value of restoring that stewardship – intentional low-severity burning that reduces fuels and is important culturally.

The Oregon State team was among dozens of scientists across the western United States who teamed up on three papers that the journal published simultaneously, all dealing with approaches for managing fire-dependent forests following a century of fire suppression and in the face of climate change. Collectively the scientists analyzed more than 1,000 published papers going back more than 100 years.

“Exceptionally hot, dry weather has already fueled dozens of fires across the west in 2021, including the 400,000-acre Bootleg fire in south central Oregon,” said Krawchuk, a forest ecologist who has been researching approaches for societal adaptation to fire for years. “A hundred years of federal policy that prevented regular surface fires in these forests has led to forests that are too dense and packed with brush and allow fires to ignite and spread easily. Our team wants to give land managers and others across the region a clear picture of the best available science and how they can use it to make good decisions about managing landscapes.”

Krawchuk, Merschel and Johnston collaborated with lead author Keala Hagmann of the University of Washington and others to provide a framework for assessing changes in landscape conditions since suppression became the basis for federal forest fire policy following the Great Fire of 1910. That blaze killed 87 people, destroyed several towns and burned an area roughly the size of Connecticut – 3 million

acres of forest in Idaho, Montana, Washington and British Columbia.

“We helped summarize knowledge about how fire shaped the landscape for hundreds of years using a variety of sources, including historical records and tree ring research,” Johnston said. “We’ve shown that millions of acres of forest have significantly departed from their historical condition and need restoration.”

Vegetation patterns in fire-excluded areas tend toward homogenous, with generally more dead vegetation both on the ground and in the canopy, which means more fuel.

“Current conditions are much more vulnerable to the direct and indirect effects of seasonal and episodic increases in fire and drought, especially in a climate that’s rapidly warming,” Merschel said. “But management that realigns or adapts fire-excluded conditions to the increases in fire and drought can help ecosystems and human communities.”

Merschel notes that at nearly 414,000 acres, the Bootleg fire covers almost half as much acreage as burned in Oregon during the entire 2020 fire season and describes it as an “ecological catastrophe.”

“Early reconnaissance indicates an almost total mortality of trees, most significantly the old growth trees that make up the structural backbone of forest ecosystems,” Merschel said. “This didn’t have to happen and similar disasters don’t have to happen again if we as a society decide to invest in ecologically based forest restoration and climate and wildfire adaptation strategies. Those sorts of investments would dampen the intensity of the fires and create more options for communities and forests.”

Merschel said that historical records for nearly 1 million acres of fire-dependent ponderosa pine forests show that prior to 1918, a surface fire burning more than 200,000 acres happened about every 15 years. The frequent fires resulted in minimal fuel accumulation and led to forests that were resistant to fire and drought, with trees commonly 300 years old or older.

“Ignoring how frequent fire made those outcomes possible will continue to have tragic consequences,” he said. “We can’t rely on suppression to prevent megafires in fire-dependent



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Low severity burning reduces fuels and is a big step toward adapting dry forests to control major wildfires.

forests. We need restoration that includes careful reintroduction of low-intensity surface fires as part of a viable strategy for adapting forests and communities to climate change, and our window for implementing them is closing fast.”

In addition to Oregon State and the University of Washington, co-authors of the three papers in Ecolog-

ical Applications are from the University of Arizona, the University of British Columbia, the University of California, Berkeley, the University of California, Merced, the University of Idaho, the University of Montana, the University of New Mexico, Northern Arizona University, Pennsylvania State University, Utah State University, the

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Pickleball courts open in Powers



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Using a grant from Cycle Oregon, three new pickleball courts were recently built and opened in Powers.

In coordination with the Coos County Parks, Powers Action Team provided funds from a Cycle Oregon grant to help with creating Pickleball Courts at the Powers County Park. The two tennis ball courts located at the park have been resurfaced and painted. One court has been converted into three pickleball courts. The other remains as a tennis ball court.

the county parks director after a group of Tour de Fronds cyclists floated the idea of pickleball courts. Powers Action Team learned about the availability of Cycle Oregon Grants, which could be applied to projects that would entice cyclists (who love pickleball) as well as other pickleball enthusiasts.

the Powers County Park are excited to inform the public the first free courts in the county are ready for public use. The park has equipment available to check out from any park staff with a valid credit card to hold until the equipment is returned.

The courts were first used over the Powers White Cedar Days weekend. Caretaker Jenni stated, "It was exciting to

hear happy sounds coming from the courts.”

The pickleball courts were initiated by several Powers High School students who learned the rules and fundamentals of the game in their high school physical education class.

The Powers community looks forward to many enthusiasts of this sport to come visit Powers and enjoy the park and all it has to offer.



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People’s Choice announced for Poetry of the Pandemic

The votes have been counted and Julia Graves Haiku poem “Again” has been selected as the People’s Choice in Poetry of the Pandemic: a Haiku Event at Coos Art Museum. Graves, a resident of North Bend, will receive a lithographic print reproduction of an original

woodblock print by Munakata Shinkō as an award for her selection. Her poem reads as follows: Again a sound at the door hope, fear, delight – who dares knock? Amazon package Haiku is a form of

Japanese poetry. They are small and humble poems that depict the everyday world around us and give a flash of insight into that world. A haiku is a poem which traditionally has 17 syllables divided into three lines of 5, 7, and 5. This format is often not required in English haiku.

Coos Art Museum has been a cultural focal point of Oregon’s scenic Southern Coast since 1966. It occupies an historic 1936 Art Deco U.S. federal building in downtown Coos Bay. The museum offers a wide range of art activities including exhibitions, art classes and lectures.

He was booked into the Coos County Jail on Friday, and made his first court appearance in front of Judge Martin Stone on Friday afternoon.

Killer

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extradition warrants from the governors of Oregon

and Wisconsin on July 23. He appeared in court July 26 and indicated he no longer wished to fight extradition. It was then ordered that he be returned

to Oregon no later than August 9. Last week, officers from Coos County traveled to Wisconsin and returned Nicholson to Coos County.

Camping

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high-density residential, small-lot residential, medium-density residential and some other specifically noted areas.” Some of those noted areas include the downtown region along Highway 101 and Front Street. Camping on sidewalks in other commercial areas will be allowed. The council voted 6-0 to approve the ordinance, which will go into effect next month. The ordinance outlines that:

- It is now legal to sleep in cars parking on most public property between the hours of 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. This does not include park areas, publicly owned or maintained parking lots, and public property located within an area zoned for residential use.
- It is now legal to use outdoor cooking utensils and similar equipment.
- It is against the law to store camp paraphernalia, such as tents, tarps, sleeping bags and other equipment, on the publicly owned property during the day (6 a.m. to 8 p.m.).
- It is against the law to camp on private property without the property owner’s permission or as outlined in the ordinance.
- Obstructing pedestrians or vehicle travel

is against the law (ORS 166.025). This means that people may not sit or lay in a manner that blocks passage of another person or vehicles or requires another person or driver to take evasive action to avoid contact. • It is against the law to litter. All property should be treated with respect, regardless of the value of the property and, as a community, we have a right to keep the city beautiful by requiring citizens to pick up after themselves. • The city’s Parking Code will continue to be enforced under Ordinance 10.15. As well as enforce the 72-hour parking limit on public right of ways. The ordinance was reviewed two times by the city’s Homeless Workgroup. Chapanar said the idea was to allow camping as required in law while still giving the city the right

to manage and control it. “One of the biggest factors to consider is without an ordinance, municipalities will have no way to lawfully regulate such activities,” Chapanar said. Several people spoke up during a public hearing on the ordinance, raising concerns about trash and about how the ordinance was going to be enforced. Chapanar said the police department has an officer who works with the homeless, and he will use the next month to educate the homeless community on what is and isn’t allowed. “Right now, we have nothing regulating anything,” Mayor Joe Benetti said. “So right now, nothing can be done anywhere in the city. Would we be able to regulate it all the time? Probably not. First of all, they won’t be able to camp in residential areas. They will be able to

COVID

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were released last week. The winners were identified as Pamela Calandriño, Delicia Cunningham, Lorraine Felton, Diana Lapp, Kari Leffler, Michael O’Flaherty, Britany Sadler, Deana Scott and Katherine Walter. Eric Gleason, assistant director of Coos Health & Wellness, urged anyone who is not vaccinated to do so. He said the vaccine is safe, effective and free. “COVID-19 vaccines

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are a critical tool in overcoming this pandemic. Findings from the extended timeframe of this study add to accumulating evidence that mRNA COVID-19 vaccines are effective and should prevent most infections — but that fully vaccinated people who still get COVID-19 are likely to have milder, shorter illness and appear to be less likely to spread the virus to others. These benefits are another important reason to get vaccinated,” said CDC Director Rochelle P. Walensky.

Temporary ban on open fires at Douglas County parks and campgrounds

Effective immediately and until further notice, the Douglas County Board of Commissioners, along with the Douglas County Parks Department, have made the decision to issue a temporary ban on open fires, including charcoal BBQ grills and wood campfires at the inland Douglas County parks and campgrounds. The decision was made out of an abundance of caution due to the current extreme fire risk,

excessive heat and weather events, and the severe drought conditions that prompted the discontinuance of irrigation at many of our inland parks. River Forks Park, near Roseburg, is not included in this mandate, because it is still irrigated, green and managed by a host, so charcoal BBQ grills are still allowed at the park. Coastal park locations are also not included in this mandate, and the county

will continue to allow campfires and charcoal BBQ’s as long as the Coos Forest Protective Association allows them. Please note that propane gas heaters and lanterns will be allowed at this time. But, the county asks that you use exercise extreme caution and continue to practice fire safety measures in everything you do in and around parks and while visiting outdoor recreation sites. Parks staff

and volunteer hosts have been notified of this decision, and visitors are being advised about the mandate when they call for reservations or when they arrive at the affected parks. The ban will be in effect until it is determined that it is safe for residents, visitors and our communities to lift it. The county encourages

all citizens to follow the current restrictions issued by the Douglas Forest Protective Association and the Coos Forest Protective Association. For the most up-to-date information on local wildfires and IFPL or Public Use Restrictions in effect on DFPA protected land, call DFPA’s 24-hour closure information line at

(541) 672-0379. ALL Douglas County parks, campgrounds and day-use areas are open at this time. All reservations for Douglas County Parks are still in place. For questions or additional park information, contact the Douglas County Parks Department at (541) 957-7001 or log onto <http://www.co.douglas.or.us>.

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Coquille celebrates successful National Night Out



The Coquille Police Department met with community members and served more than 400 hamburgers and hot dogs during National Night Out.

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make neighborhoods safer and better places to live. This year, National Night Out was held on August 3. It was a great event with an exceptional turn out. The Coquille Police Department was excited to be able to serve over 400 hamburgers and 400 hot dogs.

This event would not have been possible without the generous donations and support of our local community. Everything that was offered to the community of Coquille was free. We would like to thank the following major sponsors:

- McKays Markets
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We would also like to thank the following people and/or business for coming out to support the local police department in this fantastic event:

- Coquille Fire Department
- Rotary
- Odd Fellows and Rebekah's
- Coquille Police Department - Officer Pierce, Officer Cotter,
- Officer Makinson, Sergeant Miller, Officer Rowe, Officer Schiller, Officer Ulm, Officer Hyatt, Officer Heyer, K-9 Ares and Chief Sanders
- Coquille Valley Garden Club
- K- Dock
- C.A.S.A
- Veteran's - Coquille VFW and VSO
- Oregon State Police
- Coos Foster Parent Association
- Saw Dusters
- United Way
- Nancy Keller
- Senior Life Solutions
- Oregon Hunters Association - Tioga Chapter
- Coquille Chamber of Commerce
- City - Kelly Benson, Michelle Cooper, Forrest Neuberger, Mike Arellano, Judy Arellano and Barbara Foord
- Will Pope
- Coquille Library
- Art with a Saw - Tristin Lemmons
- Oregon Dept of Fish and Wildlife
- Graham Bay Area Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram
- Boy Scouts of Coquille
- & to anyone else that we may have missed.

National Night Out was a great event with fun community games and events for the kids and families of our wonderful community of Coquille. The city of Coquille offered free swimming and free skating. This is an exciting event that we get to put on in order to build a better partnership between community and police. We look forward to seeing you all again next year.

National Park Service lists Oregon Trail resources in the National Register of Historic Places

Two National Register nominations outline the history of the Oregon Trail in Oregon. The Oregon Trail, Oregon, 1840 to 1880 Multiple Property Document provides a comprehensive history and tool for future listings of other Oregon Trail properties. The La Grande to Hilgard trail segment is one piece of the larger trail that retains physical evidence from those who traveled across Oregon.


This effort is in line with Oregon's Statewide Preservation Plan that seeks to increase the number of listings in the National Register. It also supports the goals to increase access to Oregon heritage that are part of the Oregon Heritage Plan.

La Grande to Hilgard Segment - The La Grande to Hilgard Segment is a well-preserved trace of emigrant wagon ruts, crossing a high plateau composed of three segments that is 3.66 miles long and is located between the cities of La Grande and Hilgard. One of the steepest climbs on the Trail in Oregon, the La Grande to Hilgard segment follows a brushy ephemeral stream course that leads to a long, steep hill that is open and rocky. The La Grande to Hilgard trail segment was consistently used by overland emigrants, freighters carrying mining equipment, foodstuffs, and other commodities, and was used by stage companies carrying passengers across the greater Blue Mountains. Eventually use of these three trail segments by overland emigrants and freighters waned, particularly due to alternative routes that redirected traffic and road improvements that were made from La Grande to Hilgard and in the Grande Ronde River canyon. However, the redirection of travelers helped preserve these segments of the Oregon Trail.

Oregon Trail, Oregon, 1840 to 1880 Multiple Property Document

This document provides an overview of the history of the Oregon Trail through four different historical contexts and establishes a framework for identifying and listing Oregon Trail resources in the National Register of Historic Places. This thematic document provides resources and guidance for individuals interested in listing properties in the National Register. If anyone is interested in listing a significant Oregon Trail resource or would like to learn more about how to use this document, please contact Robert Olguin at Robert.olguin@oregon.gov

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