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Woman killed after being hit in parking lot

By **DAVID RUPKALVIS**
The World

A 20-year-old woman was killed when she was hit by a car in a parking lot in downtown Coos Bay on Tuesday morning.

According to Deputy Chief Chris Chapanar, Raven English died at the scene when she was hit by a car in the public parking lot on the southeast side of Commercial Avenue and North 3rd Street.

Chapanar said police received a 9-1-1 call at 10:24 a.m. and arrived on scene within three minutes. English was pronounced dead at the scene.

The driver of the vehicle that hit English stayed at the scene and cooperated with police.

According to Chapanar, witnesses said English had been seen lying on the pavement in the parking lot shortly before the incident. A person in the area encouraged English

to move.

Minutes later, the vehicle hit English, and the driver said they had not seen English on the ground and drove over her.

A resident nearby talked to The World and said she heard a woman saying, “I’m so sorry, I didn’t see you,” shortly before police arrived.

Chapanar said the driver was so traumatized she was transported by ambulance to Bay Area Hospital.

English had been a client at Coos Bay’s Devereux Center, according to Executive Director Tara Johnson. She may have had severe mental health or substance abuse issues, Johnson said.

The Coos County Crash Team was notified and representatives from the Oregon State Police, Coquille Police Department, Coos County District Attorney’s Office and the Coos County Medical Examiner’s Office responded to the scene to assist.



Coos Bay police gather together while investigating a fatal accident in a parking lot in downtown Coos Bay.

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State officials urge waterway safety Soccer organization says event was safe

By **JEREMY C. RUARK**
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April’s early summery weather attracted many who flocked to area waterways over the weekend.

But the early jump on summer recreational activities has also prompted safety concerns from first responders and the Oregon Marine Board.

In the following conversation, The World speaks with board representative Ashley Massey about how to best protect yourself, family and your friends as you head to the local waterways to enjoy the natural beauty of our state.

The World: What do you find is the mentality when such a first hot sunny weekend arrives and folks head to the waterways that could lead to injury or even death?

Ashley Massey: The impulse to “get out there” after bouts of cabin fever. It’s a natural impulse, but recognize it for what it is. Then pause and take the time to plan ahead. Decide ahead of time where you want to put in/take out and learn if there are any reported waterway obstructions like snags, fallen trees, and strainers.

Use the Marine Board’s in-

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Courtesy photo from Ashley Massey

Children are naturally attracted to water and keeping a sharp eye on them at all times is very difficult. Having children wear life jackets helps remove some of the worry.

NB transportation plan moves forward

By **DAVID RUPKALVIS**
The World

By a 5-1 vote, the North Bend City Council moved a step closer to approving a new Transportation System Plan.

Councilor Susanna Noordhoff voted no, saying the plan moves too much through-traffic through city streets.

The plan has been in the works since 2018, transportation

engineer Angela Rugby told the council. Since then, many public meetings have been held to gather input from residents, businesses and city staff. The finished product showcases those results.

Rugby said the public meetings led to changes in the plan. One change was including a tsunami evacuation route and prioritizing streets on that route. The No. 1

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Budget committee signs off on CB budget proposal

ZACK DEMARS
The World

Coos Bay city leaders are one step closer to having a plan for the city government’s next year.

The city’s budget committee, made up of city councilors and citizen volunteers, met last week to review the city’s proposed budget for the 2021-22 fiscal year, which begins July 1.

City activities for the next fiscal year are limited to what’s been budgeted for in the annual process. The proposed budget advanced by

the budget committee last week was prepared by city staff, and the city council will formally review and approve the budget in June.

“I’ve always said this, I think our budget is one of the most important documents that the city has,” City Manager Rodger Craddock told budget committee members during their meeting April 15.

Some revenues face COVID declines

One of the key takeaways from the next year’s budget is the contin-

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By **ZACK DEMARS**
The World

A youth soccer event held earlier this month is still attracting the attention of local health officials this week as the organization which ran the event maintains it was safe.

Coos Health & Wellness didn’t confirm that the agency had traced any virus spread to a soccer event it raised alarm about last week, but said contact tracers are still trying to investigate the group event which may have included an individual with COVID-19.

“At this point we’re still actively investigating that, whether or not it’s becoming a problem. But we know that we’ve got a window that we’re looking into,” said CHW assistant director Dr. Eric Gleason.

According to Gleason, the agency has heard from a few parents about the event, but a lack of information has made it hard for contact tracers to identify any cases resulting from a student who tested positive from the virus.

Coos County Youth Sports, which organized the soccer event, says it handled the situation appropriately.

“There’s nothing to show that there’s any spread of COVID,” said Kate Dyer, the organization’s attorney, in an interview.

Dyer said the event was an April 10 practice, with all of the teams from program meeting at the Bangor school field, which the organization rents. CCYS received word two days later one of the players, a young girl from the Millicoma School, had tested positive for COVID-19 at school, Dyer said.

Dyer said only the dozen-or-so members of the girl’s team came in contact with her, and that none of them have tested positive for the virus.

Dyer maintained that the girl

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Photo gallery: Council tours North Bend pool
Photo gallery: Pinwheels return at Kids' HOPE Center

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Coos County remains in high-risk category

By ZACK DEMARS
The World

Coos County remains in the high-risk category of virus restrictions this week alongside much of the state. Gov. Kate Brown announced new restriction levels for each county Tuesday. Twenty-three counties remain in the high-risk category of virus restrictions, with 10 moving from lower levels this week. Eleven would be

eligible for the extreme-risk category if the state met the hospitalization metric now required to send counties to that highest category. “As we face more contagious variants and increased spread of COVID-19 in our communities, the best way to protect yourself and others is to get vaccinated,” Brown said. “Until you, your family, your friends and your neighbors are fully vaccinated, it’s also critical that we

all continue to wear masks, maintain physical distance, and stay home when sick.” Coos County reported 115 cases per 100,000 in population over the previous two weeks, about the same rate as the week before. The county’s test positivity rate dropped from 4.2% to 3.4%, a new low over the past several months. Coos County’s vaccination rate of 37% (the percent of the population receiving at

least one shot) is the state’s 13th highest and is on par with the statewide average. Coos Health & Wellness Assistant Director Dr. Eric Gleason said the county’s vaccination effort has slowed down slightly as those most enthusiastic about getting a dose have already done so. “We’re still having a good number of people at all of our events, they’re just not completely full, and that’s kind of to be expected as you

get further into this process,” Gleason said. But that hasn’t left the county with a lot unused doses at the end of each week, Gleason said. “I know that there are some, like a handful of doses that may not get used, but those end up being used throughout the week for the most part. We haven’t had any reports of wasted doses, which is good,” he said. Vaccines are now open

to anyone in Oregon 16 and older, though 16 to 18-year-olds can only receive the Pfizer vaccine. In addition to locations like Rite Aid, Safeway and Albertsons stores, Fred Meyer, some Health Mart pharmacies, Bi-Mart and Walmart, area hospitals are now coordinating vaccine events on one calendar, available for registration online at <https://www.community-health.events/scheduler/>.

Safety

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teractive boating access map to find boat ramp locations and learn local rules for boat operation. Have a “plan B” for access and set a location based on your skill level. If you’re a brand-new boater learning how to launch, you’ll want to practice in an uncongested area. Likewise, for paddlers, go somewhere that’s calm and protected from rapidly changing weather conditions until your skills build and you’re ready to venture out to other areas. Do not set out too close to dusk because once the sun starts to set, it gets cold quickly and disorientation happens just as fast. Check the weather and the tides for tidally influenced rivers and bays. **The World:** What is the most critical point the Oregon Marine Board wants folks to understand as they head to local waterways in the state? **Massey:** Wear a life jacket. Dress for the water temperature and not the air temperature. It takes the worry out of anything unexpected, but expect to get wet. Life jackets are the most important piece of equipment and significantly improve your chances of survival. In 2020, there were 27 recreational boating fatalities and 17 victims were not wearing life jackets. Also make sure

to comply with other equipment requirements based on the boat type and boat length. **The World:** We understand even though outside temperatures will be in the 80s this weekend, water temps will still be dangerously cold. What is the danger? **Massey:** If a person experiences sudden exposure to cold water, the reaction is the same for everyone. The body will have a gasp reflex, and if a person’s head isn’t above the water or quickly resurfaces, the chances of swallowing water into the lungs is very high. This leads to drowning. Most fatalities are not from hypothermia, they’re from drowning relating to the initial cold water shock. For people wanting to hit local area rivers in float toys, recognize they are designed for pools, not dynamic waters with strong current and obstructions. Keep a vigilant lookout downstream and take early action to maneuver away from obstructions. Another consideration along with the temperature difference with air and water, is environmental exposure. The sun, wind, glare, and other factors contribute to fatigue and dehydration, which slow reaction time and judgment. Be sure to drink water and take frequent breaks to keep your senses sharp. **The World:** What steps should parents take to keep their children safe on the waterways? **Massey:** Have their children wear a properly fitting



Courtesy photo from Ashley Massey

When using floatation devices, the Oregon Marine Board urges riders to keep a vigilant lookout downstream and take early action to maneuver away from obstructions. Below, Marine officers across the state will be enforcing waterway rules and regulations. life jacket and model the behavior themselves. Children 12 and younger are required to wear a properly fitted life jacket in a boat that’s is underway, however, the Marine Board and other boating safety partners advocate wearing a life jacket whenever in or around the water. Steep drop offs and unstable lake and river banks can be extremely dangerous. Children are also naturally attracted to water and keeping a sharp eye on them at all times is very difficult. Having children wear life jackets helps remove some of the worry. **The World:** What are you seeing is the range of boating violations and the fines/penalties boaters could face this weekend and into the summer season and how much would that hit their pocketbooks? **Massey:** Marine officers will be looking for regulation compliance and other violations, such as distracted, unsafe or reckless operation, improper lookout, overloading, riding on bows, decks, gunwales or transoms of motorboats, and proximity rules for slow no-wake. Motorized boaters need to have a current motorboat registration and if operating a boat over 10 horsepower, carry a boating safety education card. Paddlers with craft 10 feet or longer need to purchase and be ready to display a Waterway Access Permit. Fines range from \$115-\$265 for equipment violations, \$265-\$440 for speed/moving violations, and into the thousands of dollars for more serious offenses such as BUII or reckless operation. Conviction may also lead to jail time, revocation of boating privileges and imposed boating safety education on top of boating safety education card suspension. Also, remember to share the water. As the weather warms and the waterways become crowded, be patient and courteous, be aware of your surroundings, and recognize the impact your boat and activity have on those around you. Safety is everyone’s responsibility. For more information, contact the Oregon Marine Board at 503-378-8587. The office is located at 435 Commercial Street N.E. in Salem.



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ued impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

“Coos Bay, like most businesses — and we are a business, we’re just the public’s business — we are affected by the recent and ongoing pandemic,” Craddock told the committee.

The recommended budget expects a decline in some city revenues, particularly in the funds the city receives from state gas taxes, local lodging taxes, property taxes and earned interest.

City leaders project a reduction in the city’s gas tax funds, with \$1.15 million expected next year, compared \$1.2 million received in the 2018-19 year before the pandemic.

The city projected to bring in \$1.225 million in gas tax during the current year, but City Finance Director Nichole Rutherford wasn’t sure the city would actually meet that target.

In hotel taxes, the city’s expecting to receive around

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Rodger Craddock
City Manager

\$380,000 in the coming year. That’s more optimistic than the \$340,000 the city projected for the current year, and the \$351,000 the city received last fiscal year, but is still lower than the \$437,000 the city received the year prior the pandemic.

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the committee.

Another reduction in projected revenue for the city is coming not from the virus, but from voters.

In addition to largely decriminalizing many drugs across the state, Measure 110, approved by Oregon voters in November, changes how the state’s marijuana tax revenue is spent.

Under the old law, cities and counties received a percentage of the state’s marijuana tax revenue.

That’s still the case, but the total amount those percentages apply to is now subject to an annual cap. The rest of the funds above that capped

amount are distributed to a statewide fund for providing drug treatment and recovery services.

Coos Bay’s payout from those funds has been declining: The city received \$130,000 in state marijuana revenue in the 2018-19 budget year, and \$65,000 the year after that.

For the current year — for which the Measure 110 change has partially been in effect — the city expects to receive \$30,000. Next year, it projects to get just \$5,000.

The city’s revenue picture isn’t all bad, though.

City officials expect to receive this year the first of two \$1.6 million COVID-19 relief aid payments from the American Rescue Plan passed by congress in March. The city projects the funds will actually leave the city with a higher ending fund balance next year.

Rutherford told budget committee members there was still little guidance about how those funds could be spent, but that they can be spent to make up for lost revenue and on pandemic-related items like cleaning services and protective gear.

Wastewater transition is major project

The city’s biggest change in the new fiscal year is a significant one, with 18 new employees to hire and hundreds of new assets to manage and operate: Starting July 6, the city will take over the maintenance and operation of its wastewater system, after two decades of contracting for the service.

“It’s a very large utility that all our citizens need. We have over 90 miles of pipe in the ground, 26 pump stations, two treatment plants, and I couldn’t even remember how many thousands of catch basins or manholes,” Craddock said.

The city council agreed earlier this year to take over the system, after the city’s contractor sought significant fee increases and city leaders sought significant service improvements.

The biggest impact of that transition will be the hiring of new employees to run the city’s system. Craddock told committee members last week the city is already bringing those employees on board, with several staff already hired.

Those new employees have an impact on the city’s budget, with personnel expenses projected to face big increases in the new year — but the city still projects the move away from contracting out the work for the wastewater plant will save a few hundred thousand dollars in

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City Finance Director

the next fiscal year.

Other changes proposed

The proposed budget for the next fiscal year includes a few other changes to city services and projects.

The funds the city had tucked away for assisting with the development with the Hollering Place properties is being shifted to other projects, after leaders from the city and the Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians announced they’re putting the project on indefinite hold.

The project would have constructed a tribal cultural center on the upper bluff at Newmark Avenue and Empire Boulevard and a mixed-use development on the property below.

The tribe will retain the ownership of the upper bluff, signed over to the tribe by the city last year, and the city will explore options for the future development of the lower property.

“Economic impacts associated with the COVID crisis has significantly impacted the ability of the tribe to proceed with development of the property,” city and tribe leaders wrote in a press release last week.

The funds the city had saved for the project will instead go toward the development of a roundabout at the same intersection, as well as to-be-determined urban renewal projects in the Empire area.

Another change in the city’s budget for the next year: the addition of an assistant city manager.

Craddock told budget committee members last week he plans to retire in three years and wants to begin training Rutherford as his possible replacement.

“So, July 1 marks another change in the city. I’m getting a little long in the tooth — I’ve been with the city now 30 years since I started as a reserve (officer),” Craddock said Thursday. “As you know, we are very big on succession planning here in the city, and we do that for every department.”

On Tuesday, the city

council approved a three-year contract with Craddock, which reduces his city-funded salary and allows him to begin drawing from the state’s public employee retirement fund.

The city’s public safety departments are projecting slight changes in the coming fiscal year, too.

The city’s police budget is largely the same as the year before, with a slight increase in the funds allocated for the city’s Homeward Bound program, which pays for people living unsheltered to return to other parts of the country where they have family or other connections.

In the fire department, Chief Mark Anderson told budget committee members about a plan to ensure a full staff over the summer, when many of the Southwestern Oregon Community College students who work for the department during the school year go home.

The department’s new summer program under the budget will include hiring three of those students part-time to stay as maintenance workers during the summer.

And in the only budget item which prompted any level of during their meeting, the budget committee agreed to add a \$5,000 discretionary fund for grant-seeking organizations.

Each budget cycle the city allocates some grants for community organizations. Budget committee members disagreed about which organizations to fund, after some nonprofits which applied in the past didn’t apply again this year.

Instead of directly allocating to those organizations, most on the committee agreed to the discretionary fund, which organizations can apply to receive funds from throughout the year.

“We don’t know what’s going to happen tomorrow or the next week because we’re still not out of the COVID-19 situation, and I think that would be a good place to put funding for our community,” said committee member Colleen Sutton.

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goal in the plan was simple, fixing potholes on city streets.

“I think it’s clear what we heard from residents, yeah it would be great to have whole new projects, but let’s fix what we have,” Rugby said.

The plan also includes plans for increased and improved walking and biking routes, another priority with local residents who participated.

Noordhoff pointed to the first issue as her primary concern. She said the city’s current transportation plan, and the new one being considered, move too much traffic off state highways and through city streets.

She specifically pointed to cars leaving Virginia, a state highway, and driving on Meade, Connecticut and Florida, all city streets.

“I don’t believe it was always a collector,” Noordhoff said. “It was not there in the 2004 document.”

But City Planner Chelsea

Schnabel said those streets were, in fact, listed as collectors for many years.

“It’s just been carried over through the years,” Schnabel said. “It has been since 2004 and for quite a while been listed as a collector.”

Councilman Timm Slater said he was in favor of the plan due to the extensive outreach done since the summer of 2018.

“The Planning Commission went through this, they analyzed it,” Slater said. “I would support the documents, knowing as you point out, it is living and can be changed.”

After closing a public hearing, Noordhoff made a motion to continue deliberations. When that motion died for lack of a second, Councilor Pat Goll made a motion to approve the plan and Slater seconded it. The motion passed 5-1. A second reading of the ordinance must be approved before the plan can go into effect.

During council comments later in the meeting, a frustrated Noordhoff continued to state her stance against the plan as written.

She explained traffic through town, especially in the morning and late afternoon, is very high because people travel through town to get to and from work. She said pushing those vehicles through city streets is poor planning.

“I have prepared at least 15 photos of the condition of the pavement on the city streets,” she told the rest of the council. “I would like council to go home and look at these and answer why we’re doing this when we can’t afford to fix our streets.”

Noordhoff said the city needs to come up with a plan that puts the emphasis on the state to make improvements to its roads — Highway 101 and Virginia Street primarily — that keeps through traffic off city streets.

“It would lessen the traffic flow onto city streets which we do not have the money to repair,” she said. “I’d like you to take this home, look at the photos and tell me that’s a good decision.”

The council is slated to vote for the second reading at it’s April 27 meeting.

Soccer

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wouldn’t have been contagious during the event on Saturday if she didn’t test positive for the virus until Monday, but CHW’s Gleason said people can carry the virus before they show symptoms.

“That’s just not understanding how COVID works, I think,” Gleason said. “Before you’re symptomatic — like two days, 48 hours prior to symptom onset, you’re contagious.”

And while Gleason said the organization was uncooperative with county contact tracers, Dyer maintained that CCYS leadership was willing to help, but was concerned about sharing contact information for minors with the public health agency.

“(CCYS Board Chair) Kevin Dubisar asked Coos Health & Wellness for written authorization from the parents of the minor children for that information to be disseminated,” Dyer said. “It’s different for minors.”

CCYS was willing to share the contact information of the girl’s dozen-or-so teammates, if the agency would have provided a blank form for parents to consent to the release of that information, Dyer said. Gleason couldn’t confirm if CHW provided such a form, but said the agency doesn’t typically do so.

Without clear evidence the virus had spread, the organization wasn’t willing to share the contact information for all of the 465 members who its leaders felt didn’t come into contact with the player in question, Dyer said.

“There’s no overriding

interest in providing those names,” Dyer said. “Just because we have a pandemic doesn’t mean your privacy rights aren’t protected.”

Still, CHW said the agency is hoping to get in contact with more parents and families to provide information about the virus and potential exposures to prevent spread in the community.

“This is an opportunity for us to educate and hopefully discount fear, and be a possible resource and support if needed during quarantine and monitoring,” said Kelsey Orr, a CHW contact tracer. “We would just ask them some questions and determine if they or their child was a close contact.”

The agency can also be a resource for other organizations planning to hold events safely, Orr said. CHW contact tracers can be contacted by calling 541-266-6700.



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Guest Opinion

Do you really appreciate what you have?

By BRYAN GOLDEN

Life is filled with challenges. There are many external circumstances outside of your control. The weather, actions of others, the economy and politics are just a few examples. However, your response to these circumstances is completely within your control. You chose your thoughts, emotions, and actions.

Two people can exhibit completely different reactions to the same situation. One person will successfully deal with the circumstances, while the other becomes enmeshed in negative emotions. Unfortunately, it is more common for people to focus on the negative instead of the positive.

How you view your life influences your mindset. A positive view creates a positive attitude, while a negative view leads to a negative attitude. People with a positive attitude are much better at coping with stress and challenges.

Although there are many factors contributing to how you react to situations beyond your control, one of the most significant components is whether or not you appreciate what you currently have in your life.

Those who truly appreciate all of their blessings feel as if they have more than enough. Conversely, people who constantly focus on what they believe is lacking continually feel they never have enough.

Taking all you have for granted is too easy because you get lost in negativity. Not appreciating what you have until it's gone is too common. Air, water and food are ignored when plentiful. Yet, you surely appreciate any of them which are in short supply.

Think about how the quality of your life would suffer with the loss of any component you may be taking for granted. This approach also helps you keep things in perspective. Throughout the world, there are too many people struggling to acquire all of the things you may be taking for granted.

No positive aspect of your life is too small to appreciate. Each and every day must be cherished. Begin each day by reviewing a list of everything you are thankful for.

Start by appreciating that you woke up. Appreciate what you see and hear. Appreciate the food you eat. Appreciate where you live. Appreciate family and friends. Look in awe at the seemingly endless miracles in nature.

Life is not a contest. Don't compare yourself to others. Someone who seems to have more does not diminish what you have. Also, there are numerous examples of people living very spartan lifestyles who are happy and content.

Appreciate your ability to control your thoughts, emotions, and actions. You are not a victim. You decide how to respond to circumstances. You can find solutions for problems, or you can find problems in every situation.

Decide beforehand to have a positive response to whatever circumstances you encounter. A response is preplanned and thought out. A reaction, on the other hand, is spontaneous and emotional.

A positive response should always be appreciated because it enables you to find the best course of action, while keeping you calm. A positive mindset leads to greater happiness and reduced stress. Your positive attitude generates positive emotions.

Appreciate humor and its wonderfully beneficial effects. Humor boosts your immune system, relieves pain, produces endorphins, reduces stress, and stimulates many internal organs. Humor clears your mind and helps you feel better.

Look for the humor which exists in most situations. There is usually some funny perspective in the circumstances you encounter. Humor is a great coping mechanism, not insensitivity. The more you laugh, the more you'll appreciate the good in your life.

Develop and cultivate an attitude of gratitude for appreciating all of the good in your life. There is no positive aspect of your life too small to appreciate. You'll be happier and healthier while increasing your enjoyment of life.

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Guest Opinion

Some Western states join the rush to suppress voting

By JEFF MILCHEN

Colorado's elections are a bipartisan success story, so when Major League baseball responded to Georgia's new voting restrictions by moving the All-Star Game to Denver, it couldn't have made a better choice.

More than 76% of eligible Coloradans voted in 2020 - second only to Minnesota in statewide turnout.

Every registered voter gets a mail-in ballot weeks ahead of election day, there are convenient and safe drop boxes, and in-person voting is also available. People seem to love the choices.

Yet other Rocky Mountain states seem locked in competition to pass the most brazenly anti-democratic election laws.

Montana bills would eliminate Election Day voter registration and impose new restrictions on absentee voting. In Wyoming, many lawmakers seek to abolish voting by mail entirely.

Hold my beer, says Arizona. Following Democrats' success in federal races last fall, GOP legislators unleashed a barrage of bills restricting voting, of which seven are advancing through the legislature. Those measures include requiring absentee voters to get their ballots notarized and banning practices that don't even exist in Arizona, such as automatic voter registration and Election Day registration.

And in Idaho, GOP state House Majority Leader Mike Moyle said, "Voting shouldn't be easy," when introducing a bill to make it a felony to collect and return multiple ballots on behalf of others.

While the most extreme measures may fail, still harmful bills remain, showing the need for federal protection of political rights.

U.S. election overseers called November's contests the most secure in history, yet "stolen election" claims still get pushed to justify rules changes. The first three months of 2021 saw legislators across 47 states introduce more than 360 restrictive bills encom-



Jeff Milchen

passing dozens of voter suppression tactics.

Obstacles to voting impact people of color most heavily, and in the Interior West, Native Americans are the primary casualty. The 65,000-plus votes cast in the Arizona portion of Navajo Nation overwhelmingly favored President Joe Biden in 2020 and easily exceeded his statewide victory margin. In Tohono O'odham Nation, bordering Mexico, about 90% of ballots went for Biden.

It's no accident that indigenous voters would be most inconvenienced or deterred by the four Arizona bills that would create new obstacles for absentee voters. The sheer size of the Navajo Reservation - 27,000 square miles spanning three states - makes in-person voting difficult.

Multiple studies have found that mail-in voting has been politically neutral. And despite being dragged down in federal elections last year by a historically unpopular candidate atop the ticket, Republicans dominated state elections and made a net gain in Congressional seats.

Meanwhile, more than 500 state bills were introduced this year to improve voter protections and strengthen procedures, including every West Coast and Plains state but Kansas.

Kentucky just proved it possible to pass a bipartisan law that both improves election security and

protects voters.

But stopping disenfranchisement of vulnerable groups requires federal reform. For decades, our Voting Rights Act required states with histories of voter suppression to get federal approval for new voting laws, ensuring they had no discriminatory purpose or effect. In practice, the law protected citizens in every state.

In 2006, an overwhelming Congressional majority (and a unanimous Senate) extended the Voting Rights Act for 25 years. But in 2013, Chief Justice John Roberts - who worked to restrict ballot access prior to his judicial career - joined the 5-4 Supreme Court majority to gut key protections of the law.

The ruling enabled states to resume voter suppression tactics, which Texas did within hours.

In response, the House of Representatives recently passed the "For the People Act," potentially the most important voting rights advance since the 1965 Voting Rights Act.

Now in the Senate, the bill would expand and secure ballot access, increase election security and reduce the power of money over elections.

With not a single Republican supporting the House bill, however, the bill is doomed unless the filibuster is ended. Even if the act passed, one more task remains: passing a constitutional Amendment that embeds an affirmative right to vote and ensures our votes count equally.

For as long as our ability to vote depends on the state we live in, and the political party controlling it, voting is merely a vulnerable privilege, not a right.

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Letters to the Editor

Go meat free

With Earth Day coming on April 22, we have reduced our carbon footprint by curtailing travel and our thermostat. We recycle. But we can do so much more by cutting our consumption of animal meat and milk products. Yes, that.

A recent article in The Guardian argues that animal agriculture is a major driver of climate change, as well as air and water pollution, depletion of soil and water resources and destruction of wildlife habitats. Oxford University's prestigious Food Climate Research Network reports that solving the global warming catastrophe requires massive shift to plant-based eating. The Netflix feature Seaspiracy documents the devastating environmental impacts of the fishing industry.

In an environmentally sustainable world, we must replace meat, fish and dairy products with vegetables, fruits, legumes, nuts, seeds and grains, just as we replace fossil fuels with wind, solar and other renewable energy sources.

Each of us has a unique opportu-

nity to heal our planet by transitioning to plant-based eating. We can begin with the 1-minute NY Times diet quiz. Then, let's celebrate Earth Day by checking out the rich variety of plant-based meat and dairy products at our supermarket. The internet offers ample advice and recipes.

Carson Barnes
Coos Bay

Developing trails within the Coos Watershed

With sweeping vistas and verdant valleys, our watershed is a gem. The Coos County watershed encompasses nearly 2,500 acres and while only steps from our back doors, access to this natural resource is strictly prohibited.

Recreating on watersheds is neither new nor negligent. Simply look east where for decades residents and tourists alike have recreated on the Ashland watershed, all without untoward effects on water supply or quality. Much like Ashland, our watershed is a

working forest, with active logging and fire management. Yet logging and timber sales need not deter the prospect of outdoor recreation. A case in point is the hugely successful Whiskey Run Mountain Bike Trail system, a partnership forged with Coos County's Forestry Department. Opening the forest to mountain biking has neither increased pollution nor contamination. In fact, thanks to increased public presence, illegal dumping has ceased and cluttered clandestine homeless camps have disappeared. The forest is cleaner now than before.

The watershed trail system could include opportunities for hiking, running, biking and equestrian use. A highly accessible in-town trail network would improve the health and well-being of our community, all while mitigating the threat of wildfire and ensuring the ongoing preservation of our water supply.

Our watershed is a gem, deserving of its chance to shine.

Patrick Bringardner
Coos Bay

OBITUARIES

Lorraine Nickson

August 1, 1932 – April 5, 2021



Lorraine Nickson was born to Herbert and Mary Detman in Glassport, Pennsylvania on August 1, 1932. In 1949, she moved to California and met her husband Bruce, who she

married in July of 1950. They were married over 70 years. Lorraine was retired from Retails Clerks of California and later would work at the Elks Club, San Luis Obispo as a waitress during lunch hour. She was well loved by all her customers and co-workers. She and Bruce loved to travel together and full time RVed for 20 years.

Making two trips to Alaska and travelled all over the rest of the US, settling in their RV in Deming, New Mexico. They moved to Coos Bay in April of 2015. She was a member of Family Life Center Church of God in

Coos Bay. Lorraine is preceded in death by her mother and father; brother, Herbert; and sister, Isabell (Mickey). She is survived by her husband, Bruce of Coos Bay; son, William (Laura) of Atascadero, California; daughter, Andrea (Michael) of Wilmington, Ohio; daughter, Renee (Barry) of Coos Bay; sister, Phyllis Bickerton of Findleyville, Pennsylvania; along with 6 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, many nieces, nephews and good friends. A Celebration of Life will be held at Family Life Center Church of God on Saturday, May 8, 2021 at 1:00 PM.

Ross George Alfred Payton

August 25, 1939 – March 26, 2021



Cremation rites have been held for Ross George Alfred Payton, 81, of Coos Bay, under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary. Ross was born August 25, 1939 in Santa Rosa, California, the son of Ross Eli and Ione Iris (Peterson) Payton. They made their home in many different places including Ft. Collins, Colorado where

they had many relatives. They then moved to Coos Bay where Ross went to high school. After graduating from Marshfield High School, he moved to Colorado to attend college and then back to Coos Bay. Ross worked for Weyerhaeuser for many years and was a journeyman millwright and welder when he left. He went to work for the Coquille Police Department and then as a corrections officer at the Parole Office in North Bend. He later worked as a corrections officer at Shutter Creek for many years until retirement. Ross enjoyed many hobbies, hunting, fishing, and digging for clams, gardening, flint knapping, chopping wood and burning brush. When he wasn't busy in the outdoors, he enjoyed watch-

ing westerns and weather channel. Ross is survived by his wife of 58 years, Frankie Grace "Dolly" (Grogg) Payton; daughter, Brenda and Ken Reavis; daughter, Fawn and Jon George; granddaughters, India Reavis and Devon Nixon; and great granddaughters, Jordan and Meadow. He is also survived by his brother, Bruce & Yolanda Payton; brother-in-law, Bruce Grogg; and many nieces, nephews and cousins. Ross was everyone's favorite cousin, his stories were the best and so entertaining and they always made you laugh. He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Leonard Payton. Arrangements are under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

Library to offer community yoga May 12

Coos Bay Public Library, in partnership with yoga instructor, Kelli Bosak, will co-host Community Yoga. Bosak has been practicing yoga and mindfulness for over 15 years. 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. The yoga class meets every second Wednesday of the month at 6 p.m. The first event will be Wednesday, May 12. This virtual Community Yoga Class will be a foundational group practice that includes guided instruction of basic postures, simple movements guided by the breath

and accessible exercises to build strength and flexibility. Ease of movement, standing postures, supported postures and some passive stretches will be integrated into class. This free class is appropriate for all levels. Register for the event at <https://is.gd/bNva2A> Registrants will need to complete a new student and liability form.

Iva Jeannette Barnhart

May 8, 1926 – April 16, 2021



Iva Jeannette (Moen) Barnhart passed away April 16, 2021 in Dillon, Montana, just shy of her 95th birthday. She was born May 8, 1926 in Marshfield (now Coos Bay), to Reidar Anker Moen and Christine Olive (Hope) Moen, joining older brother, Glenn Alfred Moen in the southern coastal town. Jeannette (as she was best known) graduated from Marshfield High School in 1944 where she was active in school plays, various clubs

and social activities. She attended Linfield College in McMinnville and transferred to Southern Oregon College in Ashland where she graduated with a teaching degree. Jeannette went on to earn a master's degree in education at the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley, in the 1960s. While at Southern Oregon in the late 1940s, Jeannette met and married Alvin "Al" Barnhart. They had four children: Christine, Susan, Walter and Joseph. The family initially made their home in Riddle, moving to Greeley, Colorado in 1960, where Al was on the university's staff. Although Jeannette spent a few years teaching, she found her passion as a small business owner of Little Folk's Boutique in Greeley, which specialized in children's clothing and furniture. Jeannette and Al retired to a dream home Al built north of Bandon on the Oregon coast

in 1987. Among her many interests were playing the organ and piano, traveling, visiting with people about Oregon and roaming the coastline looking for treasures from the ocean. Al died in January 1997, and in 2011 Jeannette moved to Dillon, Montana to be close to her youngest son Joe. Jeannette is survived by her children, Susan Barnhart, Walt (Chris) Barnhart and Joe (Gail) Barnhart; as well as seven grandchildren and more than a dozen great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Al; parents, Reidar and Christine Moen; brother and sister-in-law, Glenn and Patricia Moen; and daughter, Christine Spear-Barnhart. Cremation will be followed by interment at Sunset Memorial Park in Coos Bay beside her husband Al. There will be no public service. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to a charity of choice.

Wyden, Merkley reintroduce bill to allow VA to prescribe medical marijuana to veterans

Oregon's U.S. Senators Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley said today they have joined colleagues to reintroduce legislation to allow doctors at the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to prescribe medical marijuana to veterans in Oregon and the 35 other states that have established medical marijuana programs. "Plenty of evidence suggests that medical marijuana holds promise for pain management, PTSD and other medical conditions frequently experienced by our wounded warriors. But even in the 36 states that have legal medical marijuana programs, veterans are unfairly denied access through the VA," Wyden said. "This outright ban on VA doctors prescribing medical marijuana, even in states where it's legal, does a terrible disservice to veterans in Oregon and across the nation who've already sacrificed so much and simply want to discuss all treatment options with their VA provider. It's past time Congress act to give veterans equal access to all of the health care options they deserve." "Our veterans make countless sacrifices throughout—and in some cases, long after—their time in uniform, in order to protect our communities and the values we cherish," Merkley said. "It's

our responsibility to make sure they receive the very best medical care possible, and that means we need to keep every effective and safe medical treatment on the table—including medical cannabis—at our VA clinics and hospitals." In addition to creating a temporary, five-year safe harbor protection for veterans who use medical marijuana, the bicameral bill would also direct the VA to research how medical marijuana could help veterans better manage chronic pain and reduce opioid abuse. Also joining Wyden and Merkley on this bill, led by U.S. Sen. Brian Schatz, D-Hawaii, are U.S. Sens. Tim Kaine, D-Va., Bernie Sanders, I-Vt., and Jacky Rosen, D-Nev. Companion legislation has been introduced in the House of Representatives by U.S. Representatives Barbara Lee, D-Calif., and Dave Joyce, R-Ohio. The Veterans Medical Marijuana Safe Harbor Act is supported by the Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America, VoteVets, Minority Veterans of America, Veterans Cannabis Coalition, Veterans Cannabis Project, Veterans for Medical Cannabis Access, National Cannabis Industry Association (NCIA), NORML, National

Cannabis Roundtable, U.S. Pain Foundation, Drug Policy Alliance, Americans for Safe Access, Students for Sensible Drug Policy and Veteran's Initiative 22. Jeremy Butler, CEO for Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America: "Our members have spoken loud and clear on this issue. Eighty-eight percent of respondents to our most recent member survey approved of cannabis use for medicinal purposes. With such overwhelming support, we need to be removing barriers to care for veterans, not maintaining them. IAVA applauds Sen. Schatz for reintroducing the Veterans Medical Marijuana Safe Harbor Act to do just that." Doug Distaso, executive director for the Veterans Cannabis Project: "The Veterans Medical Marijuana Safe Harbor Act represents the most significant reform effort to date for medical cannabis access for veterans. We regularly hear from veterans who are forced to seek unsafe treatment options or are altogether unable to receive care because of the inability to discuss medical cannabis with their VA providers. Allowing the VA to prescribe medical cannabis will make an immediate impact on veteran patients in need."

SERVICE NOTICES

A memorial service for **Eva Imogene Freerksen**, 80, of Coos Bay, will be held at 1 pm, Saturday, April 24 at the Family Life Center Church of God of North Bend, 1067 Newmark Street in North Bend. Arrangements are under

the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131. For more information, please visit www.coosbayareafunerals.com A graveside service will be held for **Paul Wesley Walker**, 90, of Queen Creek, Arizona (formerly of Lakeside)

at 11:00 AM Monday April 26, 2021 at Ocean View Memory Gardens. Pastor Trevor Hefner will officiate. Arrangements are under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

DEATH NOTICES

Tina Moessinger, 38, of North Bend, passed away on April 16, 2021 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440, www.coosbayareafunerals.com. **Melvin Hoke**, 89, of North Bend, passed away April 13, 2021 in North Bend. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 www.coosbayareafunerals.com

Mark Hopkins Beecher, 77, of Coos Bay, passed away April 18, 2021 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 www.coosbayareafunerals.com **Teclutsa "Margie" Margaret Sause**, 89, of North Bend, passed away April 10, 2021 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 www.coosbayareafunerals.com **Pamela Ann Moore**, 90, of Coos Bay, passed away April 15, 2021 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 www.coosbayareafunerals.com

James "Jim" Charles Pierce, 86, of Coquille, passed away April 12, 2021 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 www.coosbayareafunerals.com.

com **Walter B. Hogan**, 72, of Myrtle Point, died April 17, 2021 in Hawaii. Arrange-

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DEAR ABBY By Abigail Van Buren

MOM FEELS SHUNNED WHEN PLANNED PLAYDATES NEVER MATERIALIZE

DEAR ABBY: I am a mom of two boys, 8 and 12. They both have best friends whose moms I like and I would like to be friends with. My problem is, when we set up a playdate for the boys or make plans, when the time comes around and I text them about it, I don't hear back from them at all. I have even left phone messages a couple of times. I'm bipolar, and I have social anxiety, so when I say yes to something, it is huge for me. When they don't respond, I feel as though I am annoying them or they're mad at me for some reason. The rejection is starting to upset me, and it's upsetting my children, especially my 8-year-old. My question: How do I deal with flaky moms without ruining my relationship with them? -- REJECTED IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR REJECTED: Have these women EVER agreed to a playdate with your children? Flaky is not the way I would describe them. Rude bordering on cruel would be more accurate. It's time to start cultivating relationships with other mothers. Do not personalize what has been happening because the way you have been treated has less to do with you than what it shows about them. In the future, rather than chase these moms, take your children to a park to play (if one is open) or enroll them in other activities.

DEAR ABBY: I have been divorced for eight years. After being divorced for a year, I became curious about dating and have been on and off the online dating sites. I have a rule about not meeting anyone with a status of "separated." Knowing myself, I knew I needed time to get over my divorce before welcoming someone in my life.

A man who listed himself divorced for 3 1/2 years and looking for a relationship was actively contacting me and invited me to look at his photos on Facebook. When I did, I noticed he still had his wedding photo posted. I thought it was odd, so I asked him about it. He said it was 20 years of his life, and he just cannot pretend it didn't happen. He said I was reading way too much into it. My gut is telling me, "Thank you, but no thank you." What are your thoughts, Abby? -- PHOTO FINISHED IN NEW YORK

DEAR PHOTO FINISHED: Listen to your gut as you get to know him better. For someone who is divorced and looking for a relationship to leave up a wedding picture with his former spouse makes me wonder if he's lazy about removing pictures from his Facebook, or sabotaging himself because he's not quite as ready to move on to something new as he thinks he is.

DEAR ABBY: My late husband was of the Jewish faith. Our children and I are not. Through the years, kind and generous friends and neighbors have sent cards and gifts for Jewish holidays, which makes me very uncomfortable. What wording would you suggest I use to have this practice discontinued without seeming rude or unappreciative? -- NON-JEWISH IN ILLINOIS

sDEAR NON-JEWISH: You can get your point across to these thoughtful people by saying something like this: "I appreciate your thoughtfulness, but you should know that although my husband followed the Jewish religion, my children and I do not. We are _____. " Frankly, you should have spoken up years ago.



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The employees of Face Rock Creamery celebrated the grand opening of its location in Coos Bay Village on April 18. Below, customers are invited to get cheese, ice cream and much more at the Coos Bay restaurant.

Face Rock Creamery opens café at Coos Bay Village

On April 18, Face Rock Creamery officials cut the ribbon to open Face Rock Creamery Café in Coos Bay Village.

The café anchors the new Coos Bay Village, a waterfront destination located in the heart the largest city on the South Coast. Paying mindful attention to COVID-19 guidance on gathering, the grand opening celebrations will include a rolling schedule of specials and raffles to welcome guests to the new location, rather than host one large event.

The Coos Bay Village Café features an indoor dining area, and a generously stocked cheese counter with every Face Rock flavor. The café menu features favorites from the Bandon creamery including mile-high Umpqua ice cream cones, Panini, signature macaroni & cheese and soups. Specials available only at Coos Bay Village are fried cheese curds, cheese fries and poutine. In addition, the café hosts a beer and wine bar featuring 7 Devils Brewing Co. and Oregon wines. Coos Bay Village is an 80,000-square-foot waterfront destination developed by Face Rock owners Greg Drobot and Daniel Graham.

“We took all the best elements of our Bandon café, and added some special touches just for Coos Bay Village,” explained Face Rock President Drobot. “We had a few goals for this spot. We wanted to give Face Rock fans a second spot on the Oregon Coast to find all our cheeses, create a waterfront gathering space for the community and visitors to come and take in the gorgeous bay views, and we wanted to bring more jobs to the Southern Oregon coast community.”

Graham, Face Rock vice president, agreed.

“For 40 years, this property has been a visual blight on the main route through the South Coast. Greg and I had a great time building Face Rock Creamery in Bandon in partnership with the city, and we were thrilled to take all we’ve learned and jump into the opportunity to work with Coos Bay to create a new destination that residents and visitors alike have been asking for,” he said.

The Face Rock Creamery Café at Coos Bay village is located at 1250 N Bayshore Dr.

North Bend man arrested, charged with sexually exploiting a child

Acting U.S. Attorney Scott Erik Asphaug announced Tuesday that a North Bend man has been charged with sexually exploiting a minor female victim.

On April 15, a federal grand jury in Eugene returned a three-count indictment charging Shannon Stacey Weatherbee, 47, with sexual exploitation of children.

According to the indictment, beginning around July 2017, Weatherbee is alleged to have knowingly coerced a minor female to engage in sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing a visual depiction of such conduct.

These visual depictions were transmitted online.

On April 16, investigators arrested Weatherbee while executing a search warrant on his North Bend residence.

Weatherbee made his initial appearance in federal court Tuesday before a U.S. magistrate judge. He was arraigned, pleaded not guilty and ordered detained pending a jury trial scheduled to begin on June 22.

This case is being investigated by the FBI with assistance from the North Bend Police Department. It is being prosecuted by Jeffrey S. Sweet, assistant U.S. attorney for the District of Oregon.

Anyone who has information about possible crimes committed by Weatherbee or the physical or online exploitation of any children, are encouraged to call the FBI at (503) 224-4181 or submit a tip online at tips.fbi.gov.

If a child discloses an incident that did happen to him or her or that they observed happen to someone else, the parent should not ask the child detailed questions about the incident. Instead, please contact your local law enforcement agency or the FBI immediately.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, visit www.justice.gov/psc.

An indictment is only an accusation of a crime, and a defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

DeFazio: Fact sheet highlights Oregon’s urgent infrastructure needs

Rep. Peter DeFazio (OR-04), chair of the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, recently highlighted a new fact sheet from the White House which outlines the urgent imperative to address critical infrastructure needs across Oregon.

“For far too long, we have kicked the can down the road and neglected Oregon’s critical infrastructure needs,” said DeFazio. “Oregon loses billions in untapped economic potential every year and is falling behind the rest of the world. In order to catch up, we need to build up the systems and structures that support our modern economy. The American Jobs Plan is a once-in-a-lifetime chance to create millions of good-paying union jobs while bringing our infrastructure into the 21st century and addressing the existential threat of climate change. And at every step of the way, this plan will invest in America’s workers and turbocharge our nation’s competitiveness in the world.”

Oregon received a C-grade on its Infrastructure Report Card from the American Society of Civil Engineers, facing many deficiencies that require immediate attention.

Below are key statistics on the condition of the infrastructure in our state of Oregon:

- More than 1,287 miles of road and 395 bridges are in need of repair
- 19% of trains and other transit vehicles in the state are past their useful life
- 9.8% of households are without access to broadband
- Oregon needs \$6.3 billion to upgrade its infrastructure to ensure safe drinking water

These pressing needs underscore the importance of the American Jobs Plan, which will make historic investments in improving the nation’s infrastructure and put millions of people back to work. As chair of the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, DeFazio is a principal author and key negotiator of the American Jobs Plan.



FIRST COMMUNITY NAMES TIA STEINHOFF AS BRANCH MANAGER

First Community Credit Union is pleased to announce Tia Steinhoff as the Branch Manager at its Coquille branch located at 200 N Adams Street. Steinhoff began her career at First Community two years ago as a Teller and quickly advanced to Financial Service Representative.

“I am grateful for this opportunity and excited to lead the team here in Coquille,” says Steinhoff. As a Branch Manager, Steinhoff plans to mentor her team to further strengthen relationships with those they serve and connect with the community.

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Ebenal, Chatman honored as employees of the month



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Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center named Denise Ebenal, above, the clinical employee of the month. Corina Chatman, below, was named the non-clinical employee of the month.

Clinical Employee of the Month – Denise Ebenal

Denise Ebenal is Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center's March Clinical Employee of the Month.

Ebenal is the hospital's infection control nurse and has been leading the COVID-19 vaccination administration. She is also preparing to take over as the hospital's employee health nurse.

Ebenal was nominated because she has "taken on these new challenges with enthusiasm and commitment to lead a strong program. She has worked extremely hard on this vaccination program for employees, family members, and our community at large."

She was noted for coordinating with the admitting team for effective communication and registration processing and for "always providing great care in a positive, friendly and calming manner."

Ebenal has been with SCHHC for 1½ years but also worked for the hospital about six years ago. In between, she worked for Bay Area Hospital for approximately four years.

Prior to attending nursing school in Utah, she graduated from Brigham Young University in Provo, then taught physical science and life science for nine years in California, Nevada and Utah.

She and her husband moved to area because he grew up in the Medford area and always wanted to come back to Oregon. They fell in love with the South Coast. Ebenal grew up moving around with her family, as her father was in the Army. They settled in Utah when she was in the 8th grade.

The couple lives in Coos Bay, have been married for 25 years and have two sons and two daughters. The eldest son is 21 and attends BYU in Idaho. Their second son is 20 and is a member of the U.S. Coast Guard, stationed in Mississippi. Their eldest daughter is 18 and lives at home while attending Southwestern Oregon Community College through Winter Lakes High School. And their youngest daughter is 15 and a freshman in the same program at SWOCC through Winter Lakes.

In her spare time, Ebenal loves to walk on the beach and hike local trails, swim in local rivers and lakes (her favorite spot is Hall Lake) and just loves the outdoors in general. She also plays the piano and sings



for personal enjoyment.

"I love my flexible schedule and my boss (Chief Nursing Officer) Cori Valet, and my co-workers," Ebenal said. "I also enjoy infection prevention as it relates to microbiology and science in general."

Non-Clinical Employee of the Month – Corina Chatman

Corina Chatman is Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center's March Non-Clinical Employee of the Month. Chatman works with the Environmental Services Team and has been with SCHHC since September 2017.

"Corina always shows up for work with a smile on her face," states her nomination. "She takes time and care with her job tasks and picks up extra tasks whenever asked. On short notice, she can be counted on if called to help with specific EVS responsibilities.

"She always gives 100% and she goes above and beyond with her dedication to her job and SCHHC."

Chatman has lived in Bandon since age 7 and attended Bandon High School. She previously worked at a few smaller motels in town, at Misty Meadows for about four years and at Bandon Fisheries, both in the former fisheries building in town, then in Charleston when plant operations moved there.

Chatman takes pride in cleaning things thoroughly and making sure there are no nooks or crannies untouched.

"I like detail work and deep cleaning," she said.

Her three brothers and parents all still live in the area. In addition, Chatman has four children who grew up here but are now scattered, though "not too far."

Her eldest daughter, Jessica and son, Chris Chatman, are in their

30s and her twins, Amy and Jake Schoonmaker, are 26.

Jessica lives in the area and works as a nurse at Bay Area Hospital. She previously worked in the emergency department at SCHHC. She is the mother of Chatman's two grandchildren.

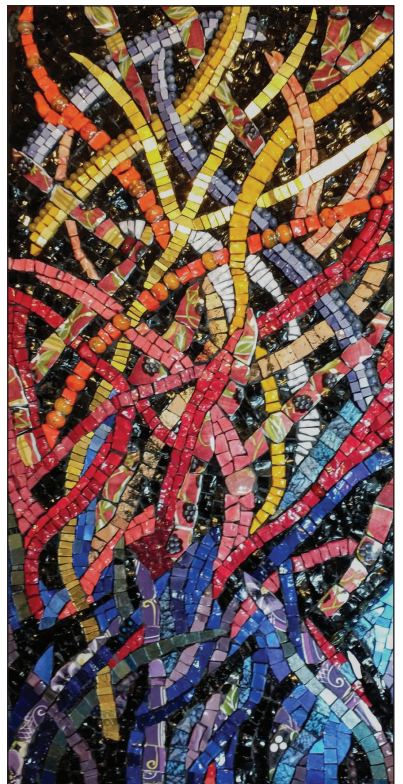
Amy lives in California and studies nursing and also worked for a few years at SCHHC, in the hospital's lab.

Chatman loves Bandon and the opportunities it affords to be outside. She enjoys flowers and walking on the beach.

She is also a bookworm and especially loves mysteries, true crime novels and biographies.

"I like the people I work with and everybody here," Chatman said. "It's just a fantastic place, everybody is always in a good mood.

"I've been treated very well since I've been here," she added.



Contributed photo

The artwork of Tracy Hodson will be on display through June at Southern Coos Hospital.

‘By the Light of the Moon’ virtual art show opens April 18

Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center recently unveiled its newest Quarterly Art Show related to the theme "By the Light of the Moon" on the SCHHC website at <https://southerncoos.org/art/>.

"Walk" through the virtual gallery and listen to featured artist Tracy Hodson talk about her mosaics and the process involved in creating them during a Facebook Live event.

The art show and talk will be available on the SCHHC website for all to enjoy at their leisure. The show runs through June.

There is an eclectic selection of moon-themed art to browse through, created by local artists, from acrylics to watercolors, collages, photographs, wood carvings and more. Many of the pieces are for sale.

Artist statement by Tracy Hodson

"I stumbled upon mosaic art after making, on the fly, a garden mosaic for a friend out of flat mother-of-pearl beads and some polished rocks. The mosaic turned out really great and I enjoyed the process, of which I knew absolutely nothing before I started. I learned what I needed to know on the internet.

"Afterwards, I had a vision of another mosaic — a vivid, intense vision that burned in the center of my forehead — but I had no idea how to make what I saw. It would end up taking me seven years of learning and hard work before I was at all qualified to make that mosaic, 'Ophelia,' which is on display here. It is smaller than I envisioned, but other than that, it is almost exactly what I saw in my head. The image never faded, and I kept Gertrude's description of Ophelia's watery death in 'Hamlet' by my work table, to remind me that I would get to it as soon as I knew how.

"After I finished my friend's gift, I started looking at mosaic art online, and discovered a world of which I'd been entirely ignorant. I had no idea of it as a Fine Arts practice, a serious endeavor by mosaicists around the globe who were using, mostly, ancient methods to make contemporary art.

"I am still very much a student, and each mosaic I make is an effort to increase my skill level, mastery of the materials, and test my ability to make concrete the ideas or feelings I want to communicate to the world. I also, sometimes, simply revel in the beauty of the materials, and want to create a mosaic that emphasizes them. Everything I use comes from the Earth, even if transformed by the hands of glass or stone artisans, and often, that is enough to inspire me."

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AS I SEE IT Stopping vaudeville

By MARY SCHAMEHORN

The first picture I am sharing today is of Main Street Bandon sometime in the early part of the 1900s, but it is the Grand Theatre that I plan to talk about. If you can blow it up, you will see two young boys staring intently at the playbill.

A headline in the April 19, 1912, issue of the Bandon Recorder reads: "The Grand Theatre Discontinues Vaudeville."

It's important to remember that in those days, theaters were the entertainment center of a community, both with silent films and live entertainers.

The article starts out: "Why? For the simple reason that the majority of the acts that are booked into this county are so inferior in quality that instead of pleasing the theatre going public, they keep patrons, who enjoy high class pictures and good music, at home until said Vaudeville Artists (?) leave town.

"Now, a word about high class Vaudeville such as is offered on the Orpheum, Pantheas, Sullivan and Considine circuits. These Vaudeville acts demand salaries ranging from \$150 to \$500 per week, playing one act for the week and then booked to other houses on these circuits. These Vaudeville acts play the big cities only, for the simple reason that the small-town theatre manager cannot afford to pay such enormous salaries.

"Therefore, Mgr. Sellmer has come to the conclusion that he can please the Bandon public better by offering an entertainment consisting of high-class pictures and good music at 10 cent admission, than to bore the audience with a class of Vaudeville that is walking the streets of Frisco and Portland out of jobs, and tries to entertain intelligent audiences with stale jokes, bad singing and coarse dialogue."

In those days, Bandon often had more than one theater, including the Orpheum, the Rex and the Hartman. Among the silent films released in 1912 were The Musketeers of Pig Alley, the Cry of the Children, From the Manger to the Cross and The Little Girl Next Door. In the 1920s, the "talkies" began to replace the silent films.

It is also interesting to note that The Associated Press Stylebook points out that the only time you spell theatre with an "re" is when it is part

of a proper noun. Otherwise it is theater but apparently the Recorder editor did not have a stylebook in those days.

The second picture, which features Ed Gallier's Plumbing shop, the Chevrolet dealership and Coast Lumber Yard, was taken in the 1940s. At far right, you can see the two-story Coats house, which was located about where the sewage treatment plant is today.

The plumbing shop building, which was owned by Ed and Beth Wood of Bandon Mercantile for many years, was recently purchased by Gina Morelli of Beach Loop Realty and is undergoing an extensive renovation.

The Chevrolet building is now the home of The Laurel, a small mall of unique shops, owned by Lisa Schilling. The Coast Lumber Yard has long since been torn down and is now a gravel parking lot, belonging to Schilling.

Family and friends gathered at the Sprague Theater on Sunday afternoon to say goodbye to Fred Carleton, in a wonderful tribute to the man who was loved by so many.

Members of the family conducted the service, with his two sons, John and Andrew, daughter Tara, a grandson, sister Pat, brother John, business partner Shala McKenzie Kudlac and Fred's legal assistant Tonya Casady paying tribute to him.

Andrew's wife also read a letter from the oldest daughter, Tiah, who lives in South Africa, and because of COVID restrictions was unable to attend.

There is no doubt that Fred Carleton touched many lives, and we are just beginning to understand what life will be like without his wisdom, his wit and his remarkable zest for life.

On another sad note, I was noticing a beautiful floral arrangement from Walt and Carolyn Hogan at Fred's service. Walt was an attorney in Myrtle Point for many years before retiring several years ago. He and Fred had been friends for decades.

An hour after the funeral Sunday, I ran into Jay Westrum, owner of the local funeral service, who told me that he had just learned that morning that Walt Hogan had died of a heart attack Satur-

day while on a trip to Hawaii with his wife.

And the sad news just keeps coming

The Bandon School District has announced that the board has offered a contract to Shauna Schmerer to serve as their new superintendent. Schmerer is currently the principal/superintendent of Almira, Wash., a town of 300 people in Lincoln County, Washington.

Schmerer was the unanimous choice of the board, which went through an extensive search, which began with 32 applicants, and had been narrowed to three finalists before a "Meet and Greet" last week, after which the board offered her a contract.

Those I have talked with said she was the clear choice to lead the Bandon School District after the retirement of Doug Ardiana.

As a charge customer of Bandon Ace Hardware, I received a letter with my statement this week from Phil and Trish Lehosit explaining that they have sold the business (and the Ace Hardware in Myrtle Point) to their son Chuck Simpson and daughter-in-law Katie Simpson and their three children, Silas, Savannah and Casen of Redmond.

The Lehosits have owned the business for the last 23 years and will be retiring to the Laurel Grove area.

The latest case-by-ZIP-code information that I can find was for April 16th, which indicated Bandon had the lowest case rate in the county with 1,179.3 cases per 100,000 population, for a total of 82 cases with a population of 6,953.

Coquille's rate is 1,879.9 per 100,000, with a total of 128 cases and a population of 6,809.

Myrtle Point was 2,239.6 per 100,000 with 106 cases in a population of 4,733.

North Bend's numbers were 2,965.4 per 100,000, 418 cases and a population of 14,096.

Coos Bay registered 3,174.0 per 100,000 for a total case number of 872 and a population of 27,473.

The latest reportable worksites from the Oregon Health Agency showed 11



Photos contributed by the Mary Schamehorn collection
The Grand Theatre can be seen on Main Street in the early 1900s. In 1912, the theater announced it was no longer bring vaudeville to its stages. Bottom, Ed Gallier's Plumbing shop, the Chevrolet dealership and Coast Lumber Yard in the 1940s.

cases at Coos Bay Toyota, 15 cases at the Coos Bay McDonalds and five cases at Hardin Optical.

I researched how many people had been vaccinated in certain counties, and my findings ranged from a low of 27.8 percent of Douglas County residents to a high of 47.5 percent of Benton County residents. The graph showed that 36.4 percent of Coos County residents had been vaccinated, while the figure was 36.9 percent in Curry County.

I am not sure when the ballots will be in the mail for the special district election on May 18, but I do want to mention the importance of supporting Ballot Measure 6-188, which would renew the local option tax for streets and pedestrian facilities.

The measure would renew an existing tax at the same rate, so there would be no increase in city property taxes. The current street tax rate of \$0.8455 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation and that same rate would continue to apply.

The tax revenues can only be used for streets and pedestrian ways, which include paving and overlaying existing deteriorated streets, patching potholes, widening existing streets, improving

street drainage, building additional sidewalks, installing bike paths, and other street and pedestrian facility improvements.

Also on the ballot, you will see that no one filed for Position No. 2 on the Southern Coos Hospital District board of directors, and I am mounting a write-in campaign for that position.

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Portion of Oregon coast opens for razor clam harvesting

The Oregon Department of Agriculture and the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife announce the opening of all razor clam harvesting from the north jetty of Coos Bay to Cape Arago. Recent shellfish samples taken from the area indicate levels of the marine biotoxin domoic acid have fallen below the alert level for two consecutive sampling weeks.

Razor clam harvesting remains closed from the Columbia River to the north jetty of Coos Bay, and from Cape Arago to the California border.

Mussel, bay clam and crab harvesting remain open along the entire Oregon coast. Coastal scallops are not affected by biotoxin closures when only the adductor muscle is eaten. ODA does

not recommend eating whole scallops. Commercial shellfish products remain safe for consumers.

Paralytic shellfish toxin and domoic acid toxin are produced by algae and originate in the ocean.

ODA will continue to test for shellfish toxins twice per month, as tides and weather permit.

Reopening an area closed for biotoxins requires two consecutive tests with results below the closure limit.

Contact ODFW for recreational license requirements, permits, rules and limits.

For more information call ODA's shellfish biotoxin safety hotline at (800) 448-2474, the Food Safety Division at (503) 986-4720, or visit the ODA Shellfish Biotoxin Closures webpage.



Contributed photos

Hikers enjoy Frederickson Marsh at the South Slough Reserve. Several upcoming hikes will showcase some of the best scenes at the reserve.

Hikers invited to the trails at South Slough Reserve

Visitors are invited to register for in-person, socially distanced activities at South Slough Reserve.

South Slough National Estuarine and Research Reserve is offering a variety of programming this April. Get outdoors and add a spring to your step with some forest and nature journaling hikes at the South Slough Reserve.

Nature Hike—April 28, 1 p.m.

Hike through forest, marsh and swamp and explore the local flora and fauna. Learn about the latest research and stewardship projects at the reserve. This one-mile hike is of moderate difficulty. We will meet at South Slough Visitors Center. The hike lasts about two hours. Please dress for the weather, wear sturdy shoes and bring plenty of water and snacks. This event is free; however, registration is required. The trip is limited to six participants.

Reserve your spot by calling 541.888.5558 ext. 121.

Nature Journaling Hike—April 30, 1 p.m.

Come for a walk in the woods and learn the best practices for starting a nature journal. Discover how seeing a trail through pencil and pen can be one of the best ways to hike.

This one-mile hike is of moderate difficulty. We will meet at the South Slough Visitor Center. The hike lasts about two hours. Please dress for the weather, wear sturdy shoes and bring plenty of water and snacks. Pencil, paper and a clipboard will be provided for each participant. This event is free; however, registration is required. The trip is limited to six participants. Reserve your spot by calling 541.888.5558 ext. 121.

Reservations are required for these programs. A week or so prior to the event at-



tendees will receive an email containing further information about our new safety guidelines to help combat the spread of COVID-19. Your health and wellbeing are the reserve's top priority. Among other things, participants will need to wear a mask

at all times. Additionally, a temperature check, using a no-touch digital forehead thermometer, will be performed at the beginning of the program. Any participants with a temperature higher than 100.4° F may not participate.

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Native fish vulnerable during current low water flows

Wild winter steelhead and Pacific lamprey are now actively spawning in southern Oregon coastal streams. Unfortunately, spawning is happening during low water flows that are more characteristic of early summer than spring and may put these and other fish species at risk from human activity.

ODFW fish biologists are encouraging people to take steps to protect the fish species in these streams. Landowners should not clear native vegetation along streams that run through their property.

Recreationists should not to drive vehicles across creeks which can destroy redds (fish nests) of wild winter steelhead and Pacific lamprey and the fall Chi-

nook salmon fry that are just beginning to emerge from the gravel.

Normally, flows would be higher this time of year, and people would not be crossing rivers and creeks with ATVs or vehicles.

“We’re seeing flows right now that are typical of early summer, and we’re concerned about water temperatures heating up sooner if riparian vegetation is removed,” said Steve Mazur, Gold Beach district fish biologist. “Spawning activity typically occurs at the bottom end of pools as the water shallows and starts to speed up. This is where livestock and vehicles tend to cross and impact the redds.”

Mazur also encourages landowners living along

some of the smaller south coast streams to start thinking about conserving water and leaving a little bit more in the streams for fish

ODFW is surveying smaller watersheds to monitor wild winter steelhead spawning and help inform development of the draft Rogue-South Coast Multi-species Conservation and Management Plan. The plan identifies habitat (including water quality and quantity) as a main limiting factor for winter and summer steelhead, coho salmon, and coastal cutthroat trout.

The most vulnerable watershed where ODFW is seeing impacts to riparian and spawning areas are in Hunter Creek and the Winchuck and Elk rivers.



Pacific lamprey seen actively spawning in Hunter Creek on April 14. ODFW photo

Management council sets 2021 West Coast ocean salmon season dates

The Pacific Fishery Management Council has adopted ocean salmon season recommendations for 2021. The seasons provide recreational and commercial opportunities for most of the Pacific coast and achieve conservation goals for the numerous salmon stocks on the West Coast.

The recommendations will be forwarded to the National Marine Fisheries Service for approval by May 16.

“There will be some restrictive commercial and recreational seasons this year along much of the coast,” said Council Chair Marc Gorelnik. “Forecasts for some Chinook and coho stocks are quite low, which made our job more challenging this year.”

The council heard reports from commercial, recreational, and tribal representatives on the challenges caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as ways the council could provide meaningful fishing opportunities and economic support for coastal communities.

Washington and Northern Oregon (north of Cape Falcon)

Fisheries north of Cape Falcon (in northern Oregon) are limited by the need to constrain catch of lower Columbia River natural tule Chinook and specific Washington coast coho salmon stocks. Three Washington coho stocks are either overfished (Queets River, Strait of Juan de Fuca) or are rebuilding (Snohomish), which was a concern when structuring fishing seasons.

North of Cape Falcon, the overall non-Indian total allowable catch is 58,000 Chinook coastwide (compared to 54,000 last year)

and 75,000 marked hatchery coho (compared to 28,500 last year).

Tribal ocean fisheries north of Cape Falcon

Tribal ocean fisheries north of Cape Falcon are similar in structure to past years, with a spring season targeting Chinook and a summer fishery for all species. Quotas include 40,000 Chinook and 26,500 coho (compared to 35,000 Chinook and 16,500 coho last year).

Commercial Fisheries

Non-Indian ocean commercial fisheries north of Cape Falcon include traditional seasons in the spring (May-June) for Chinook and in the summer (July-September) for Chinook and coho. These fisheries will have a 30,750 Chinook quota (compared to 27,640 last year), and a marked coho quota of 5,000 (compared to 2,000 last year).

Recreational Fisheries

The recreational fishery north of Cape Falcon opens with an all-salmon-except-coho fishery on June 19, then transitions to an all-species fishery in late June or early July, depending on the subarea. Days open per week, size and bag limits also vary among subareas.

The fishery will continue until September 15, or whenever Chinook or coho quotas are reached. Recreational fisheries in this area will have access to a 27,250 Chinook quota (compared to 26,360 last year), and a marked coho quota of 70,000 (compared to 26,500 last year).

Oregon (south of Cape Falcon) and California

Fisheries south of Cape Falcon are limited mainly by the low

abundance forecast for Klamath River fall Chinook. Klamath River. This year’s management measures are designed to provide fishing opportunity for the more abundant Sacramento River fall Chinook while reducing impacts on Klamath River fall Chinook.

Commercial fisheries in the area from Cape Falcon to the Heceta Bank line are open now through April 30 for all salmon except coho. Starting May 1, Cape Falcon to Humbug Mountain will open through June with intermittent closures, and will be open continuously in September and October with weekly limits. The area will be open for all salmon (with a 10,000 marked coho quota) intermittently during July and August.

In the area from Humbug Mountain, Oregon to the Oregon/California border (also known as the Oregon Klamath Management Zone) the Chinook season opened in late March and continues in April and most of early May. It is also open in June and July with monthly catch quotas and weekly limits in place.

The area from the Oregon/California border to the southern KMZ boundary (also known as the California KMZ) will be closed to conserve Klamath River fall Chinook.

Elsewhere in California, Chinook seasons in the Fort Bragg area (southern KMZ boundary to Point Arena) will be open August 1-17 and all of September. The San Francisco area (Point Arena to Pigeon Point) will be open intermittently mid-June through mid-August, and all of September. The Monterey

area (Pigeon Point to the Mexico border) will be open intermittently from May to mid-August. There will also be a season from Point Reyes to Point San Pedro (a subset of the San Francisco area) consisting of three openings in early October ranging from one to five days each.

Recreational Fisheries

Recreational Chinook fisheries from Cape Falcon to Humbug Mt. are open now through October. Coho fisheries in this area consist of a mark-selective quota fishery of 120,000 in mid-summer (compared to 22,000 last year) and a non-mark-selective quota fishery of 14,000 in September (compared to 3,000 last year). The Oregon KMZ shares the mark-selective coho quota and season dates with the Cape Falcon to Humbug Mt. area. Chinook retention in the Oregon KMZ is limited to June 19-August 15.

The California KMZ fishery will be open for Chinook only June 29 through August 1.

Chinook seasons in the Fort Bragg (southern KMZ boundary to Point Arena) and San Francisco (Point Arena to Pigeon Point) areas will open in late June and will continue through October. The Monterey area (Pigeon Point to Mexico Border) is open now through September.

For details on all seasons, see the season description tables.

Management Process

“This has been another challenging year for the Council, its advisors, fishery stakeholders, and the public as we strive to balance fishing opportunities with conservation needs for Chinook and coho

stocks,” said Council Executive Director Chuck Tracy.

The Council developed three management alternatives in early March for public review and further analysis. The review process included input from Federal, state, and tribal fishery scientists and fishing industry members; public testimony; and three public hearings held by webinar.

The decision must be approved by NMFS. Coastal states will adopt fishery regulations for state-managed waters that are compatible with the Council’s actions.

Southern Resident Killer Whales

The Council is working with NMFS to understand the effects of Council-area fisheries on Southern Resident killer whales, which are listed as endangered.

Based in part on information provided by the Council’s ad-hoc Southern Resident Killer Whale Workgroup, NMFS provided guidance on the structure of the 2021 salmon fisheries to address the needs of the whales while providing salmon harvest opportunities. Chinook abundance is well above the level that would require additional fishery restrictions.

Council Role

The Pacific Fishery Management Council is one of eight regional fishery management councils established by the Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act of 1976 for the purpose of managing fisheries 3-200 miles off the U.S. coastline.

The Pacific Council recommends management measures for fisheries off the coasts of California, Oregon, and Washington.

Steer clear of typical tax return errors as May 17 deadline nears

The Internal Revenue Service recently reminded taxpayers to check their tax returns for common errors that could delay refunds or otherwise affect normal processing. Here are some ways to avoid tax return slipups as the May 17 due date gets closer.

Use electronic filing. Filing electronically, whether through IRS Free File or other e-file service providers, is a great way to cut the chances for many tax return mistakes and maximize deductions to reduce tax owed at the same time. The tax software automatically applies the latest tax laws, checks for available credits or deductions, does the calculations, and asks taxpayers for all required information.

Report all taxable income. Be sure to have income documents on hand before starting the tax return. Examples are Forms W-2, 1099-MISC or 1099-NEC. Underreporting income may lead to penalties and interest.

Get names and Social Security numbers right. Enter each Social Security number and individual’s name on a tax return exactly as printed on the Social Security card. Persons generally must list on their individual income

tax return the SSN of any person they claim as a dependent. If a dependent or spouse does not have and is not eligible to get a SSN, list the Individual Tax Identification Number instead of a SSN.

Learn about filing status. If taxpayers are unsure about their filing status, the Interactive Tax Assistant on IRS.gov can help them choose the correct status, especially if more than one filing status applies. Tax software, including IRS Free File, also helps prevent mistakes with filing status.

Correctly answer the virtual currency question. The 2020 Form 1040 asks whether at any time during 2020, a person received, sold, sent, exchanged or otherwise acquired any financial interest in any virtual currency. If a taxpayer’s only transactions involving virtual currency during 2020 were purchases of virtual currency, they are not required to answer ‘yes’ to the question.

Mail paper returns to the right address. Paper filers should check the right address for where to file on IRS.gov or on form instructions to avoid processing delays. Note that due to staffing issues related to

COVID-19, processing paper tax returns could take much longer than usual. Taxpayers and tax professionals are encouraged to file electronically if possible.

Use the right routing and account numbers. Requesting direct deposit of a federal refund into one, two or even three accounts is convenient and allows the taxpayer access to his or her money faster. Make sure the financial institution routing and account numbers entered on the return are accurate. Incorrect numbers can cause a refund to be delayed or deposited into the wrong account. Taxpayers can also use their refund to purchase U.S. Savings Bonds.

Sign and date the return. If filing a joint return, both spouses must sign and date the return. E-filers can sign using a self-selected personal identification number.

Keep a copy. When ready to file, taxpayers should make a copy of their signed return and all schedules for their records.

Request an extension, if needed. Taxpayers who cannot meet the May 17 deadline can easily request an automatic filing extension to Oct. 15 and prevent late filing penalties.

grass fire. Deputies located one occupant inside of the vehicle, who was declared deceased at the scene.

Speed is believed to be a contributing factor in the crash.

Driver dies in fiery crash in Winston

On April 13, shortly before 11:30 p.m., 9-1-1 dispatchers received a report of a single vehicle crash in the 5000-block of Willis Creek Road in Winston.

When deputies arrived,

they located a 1990s pickup which had been traveling northeast before leaving the roadway and striking a tree in a small ravine. The vehicle became engulfed in flames which also started a small

Pedestrian injured after being struck by car in Coos Bay

Around 10:30 a.m., April 15, the Coos Bay Police Department dispatch center received a 911 call reporting a vehicle struck a pedestrian on Koos Bay Boulevard near Thompson Road. Medical personnel and law enforcement were dispatched to the scene.

Officers arrived on scene within five minutes.

The pedestrian was eval-

uated by medical personnel was transported to Bay Area Hospital by Bay Cities Ambulance.

The driver and passenger of the vehicle that struck the pedestrian remained on scene and cooperated with the investigation.

The Coos County Crash Team was activated and representatives from Oregon State Police, Coos County

Sheriff’s Office, North Bend Police Department and the Coos County District Attorney’s Office responded to the scene to assist.

Mast Bros Towing Company arrived on scene to assist in the removal of the vehicle.

The crash is still under investigation and is being conducted by the Coos Bay Police Department.

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Pirates, Tigers pick up victories on the diamond

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Marshfield and Bandon picked up baseball and softball wins this week, with the Pirates sweeping Siuslaw in Florence and the Tigers beating visiting Myrtle Point.

Marshfield's baseball team beat the Vikings 20-7, scoring in every inning.

Wyatt Peck had four hits, including a double, and scored four runs while driving in three in the victory.

Dom Montiel had a double and triple and three RBIs. Ezra Waterman had a double and two singles, two runs and three RBIs. DJ Daugherty had two hits and two runs and Johnny Calvert, Luke Rhodes and Miguel Velazquez also scored two runs each.

Montiel also pitched the first four innings, giving up just two hits while striking out eight.

The Pirates improved to 3-1 in the Sky-Em League. They host Cottage Grove for a doubleheader Friday and visit Marist Catholic on Monday.

BANDON 15, MYRTLE POINT 4: The Tigers topped the Bobcats in a game hastily moved to Monday because of a shortage of umpires.

Ethan Pounder had three hits and two RBIs for the Tigers and Colton Siewell had a double as Bandon improved to 2-0 in Sunset Conference play.

Jake Watjen, Danny Cabrera and Conner Devine led Bandon on the mound, coach Jay Ferrell said.

"Our defense still needs to get much better," Ferrell said.

The Tigers played the Bobcats again Thursday on the road (results weren't available by press time) and visit Reedsport for a doubleheader Saturday.

SOFTBALL

MARSHFIELD 13, SIUSLAW 2: The Pirates picked up their third straight high-scoring Sky-Em League victory.

"Getting a win on the road is always nice," Marshfield coach Chelsea Burns said. "Even with a few errors, this felt like our cleanest game yet. It really felt like we played together as a team for the first time."

Kaylin Dea had two doubles and two triples and drove in five runs for the Pirates. Paige Reigard had three hits, two runs and two RBIs, Gracie Peach had a single and triple, two runs and two RBIs.

Cedar Ward had a double, three runs and two RBIs and Paige Macduff and Dahlia Kanui had two runs each.

Jayla Johnson allowed two hits, struck out five and gave up two unearned runs in the circle.

"Jayla pitched another great game for us and Gracie worked hard behind the plate," Burns said. "I continue to be impressed with our offense and how the girls battle in the box."

She noted that Ward fouled off 14 pitches in one at-bat, including one that she hit over the fence a few feet left of the foul pole.

"I'm proud of the way she battles in there," Burns said.

The Pirates were coming off a pair of high-scoring wins over Junction City.

The Pirates hit well in both games.

During the day, Makenna Johnson had seven hits, five runs and three RBIs; Reigard had six hits, six runs and six RBIs; Dea and Peach both had five hits, five runs and five RBIs; and ward had four hits, six runs and three RBIs.

But made a few errors in the second game, Burns said.

"We will focus on cleaning up those mistakes," she said after that sweep, and the Pirates cut down on the errors against Siuslaw.

"Hopefully, we will carry that momentum into our doubleheader against Cottage Grove on Friday," Burns said.

BANDON 14, MYRTLE POINT 4: Avery Pounder and Sterling Williams combined to strike out eight in the victory.

Carlee Freitag went 2-for-3 with two doubles and four RBIs to lead Bandon's offense. Williams had a hit and three runs and eight of Bandon's nine starters scored at least once.

TRACK & FIELD

MARSHFIELD MEET: Jonathon Parks, Matthew Allen and Charlie Dea won two events each when Marshfield hosted Junction City, Powers and Camas Valley in a track meet Tuesday.

Parks won the long jump with an impressive leap for a freshman of 20 feet, 8 inches, and also took the 400 (55.27 seconds). He finished second in the pole vault, clearing 13 feet, while teammate Trent Summers had a new personal best getting over the bar at 14 feet, 2 inches.

Allen won the shot put (36-3 ¾) and discus (110-8) for the Pirates.

Dea won both the 100 (14.33) and 300 hurdles (54.62) for Marshfield's girls.

Trinity Blanton gave Powers its only win of the day with an impressive throw of 119-2 in the javelin.

The best mark of the day came from Junction City's Anika Thompson, who ran the 3,000 meters in a lifetime best of 9:54.96 that is tops in the state this year by a girl.

BOYS

Team Scores: Marshfield 282.5, Junction City 177.5, Camas Valley 15, Powers 11.

Shot Put — 1. Matthew Allen, Mar, 36-3 ¾; 2. Cael Church, Mar, 32-9. **Discus** — 1. Matthew Allen, Mar, 110-8; 2. Michael Pedrick, Pow, 84-0. **Javelin** — 1. Colby Evans, JC, 136-5; 2. Robert Kliever, Mar, 130-4; 3. Chance Browning, Mar, 107-0. **High Jump** — 1. Colby Evans, JC, 5-8; 2. Sam Grayson, Mar, 5-6; 3. Jack Waddington, Mar, 5-4. **Long Jump** — 1. Jonathon Parks, Mar, 20-8; 2. Aaron Hutchins, Mar, 18-10; 3. Sam Grayson, Mar, 18-9. **Triple Jump** — 1. Gavin Stovall, Mar, 30-0. **Pole Vault** — 1. Trent Summers, Mar, 14-2; 2. Jonathon Parks, Mar, 13-0; 3. Jack Waddington, Mar, 12-0.

100 — 1. Cael Church, Mar, 12.55; 2. Trent Summers, Mar, 12.74. **200** — 1. Sam Grayson, Mar, 25.08; 2. Aaron Hutchins, Mar, 25.14. **400** — 1. Jonathon Parks, Mar, 55.27. **800** — 1. Patrick Staton, JC, 2:33.15; 2. Chris Thomas, Mar, 2:44.08; 3. John Lemmons, Mar, 2:59.98. **1,500** — 1. Logan Bierly, JC, 4:46.10; 2. Jacob Calvert, Mar, 4:52.82; 3. Robert Kliever, Mar, 5:02.12. **3,000** — 1. Tyler Hart, JC, 9:54.05. **110 High Hurdles** — 1. Kenneth Page, Mar, 20.98. **300 Intermediate Hurdles** — 1. Jack Waddington, Mar, 48.09. **4x100 Relay** — 1. Marshfield, 48.46. **4x400 Relay** — 1. Junction City, 3:57.73; 2. Marshfield, 4:00.20.

GIRLS

Team Scores: Junction City 176, Marshfield 171, Powers 37, Camas Valley 29.

Shot Put — 1. Joy DeRoss, CV, 32-4 ¾; 2. Mira Matthews, Mar, 32-4 ¼; 3. Daphne Scriven, Mar, 30-0 ¾. **Discus** — 1. Mira Matthews, Mar, 107-7; 2. Daphne Scriven, Mar, 105-5. **Javelin** — 1. Trinity Blanton, Pow, 119-2; 3. Mira Matthews, Mar, 95-1. **High Jump** — 1. Ashlyn Long, JC, 4-8; 2. Aryana Mill, Mar, 4-6. **Long Jump** — 1. Jordan McTaggart, JC, 13-11 ¼. **Triple Jump** — 1. Jillian Liebersbach, JC, 29-4 ½; 2. Sydney Trendell, Mar, 26-9. **Pole Vault** — 1. Elaina Deming, JC, 7-6; 2. Lauren Stallard, Pow, 6-2.

100 — 1. Charlie Dea, Mar, 14.33. **200** — 1. Sheila Rojas, Mar, 30.37. **400** — 1. Raegan Rhodes, Mar, 1:16.12; 2. Bailey Krantz, Pow, 1:20.23; 3. Jenna Erickson, Mar, 1:20.65. **1,500** — 1. Simran Basi, JC, 6:53.07. **3,000** — 1. Anika Thompson, JC, 9:54.96. **100 High Hurdles** — 1. Jillian Liebersbach, JC, 18.03; 2. Roxy Day, Mar, 19.94; 3. Aryana Mill, Mar, 20.96. **300 Low Hurdles** — 1. Charlie Dea, Mar, 54.62; 2. Kaydence Stevving, Mar, 1:00.45. **4x100 Relay** — 1. Junction City, 57.83. **4x400 Relay** — 1. Junction City, 5:04.46; 2. Marshfield, 5:16.23.



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North Bend's Katie Holmes (No. 6) hugs teammate Keira Young as Bria Hood waits to join in the celebration after Holmes hit a three-run home run against Coquille during the first inning Wednesday. Below, Holmes follows through on her home run swing.

Bulldogs shut out Coquille in softball

JOHN GUNTHER

The World

NORTH BEND — The North Bend softball team knew it was better than it played in its season opener against Bandon last week.

A week later, the Bulldogs showed it with a 9-0 blanking of visiting Coquille on Wednesday.

Sarah Shore, who struggled with her control against Bandon, pitched a two-hitter with 11 strikeouts against the Red Devils and Katie Holmes gave the Bulldogs an early lift with a three-run home run.

"We got our bats going," said Holmes, who also had a double that led to another run for North Bend. "We've been working hard at practice to improve them."

North Bend got going right away. Bria Hood and Keira Young walked and Holmes blasted the ball over the left-field fence for an early 3-0 lead.

In the third inning, Amanda Hollingsworth hit a single to center, Emma Spalding walked and both scored on a sharp double down the left-field line by Young.

Holmes pounded a double



to center in the fourth and later scored on a wild pitch to make it 6-0.

Then in the fourth, Spalding and Hood had infield singles, Young walked, Shore helped her cause with a two-run single to center and an error led to the final run of the night.

That was plenty of runs with how Shore was pitching. "They hit the ball well, and their pitcher did good," Coquille coach Darren Thompson said.

Coquille managed just a single by Courtney Sanders in the fifth inning and another by Jordan Gouvea in the seventh. Shore walked four, but North Bend didn't commit any errors behind her.

"Sarah is doing a phenomenal job pitching," Holmes said.

It was Shore's second straight strong outing. On Monday, she took a shutout to the seventh inning in a 7-2 victory over Sutherlin.

"I'm just really proud of Sarah's performance after the first game," North Bend coach John Olson said after Monday's outing. "It was more of the Sarah we know."

Mia Reynon had two RBIs in Monday's win and Young had a hit, a run and an RBI. Holmes scored two runs.

Hood gave the Bulldogs a boost, after missing the start of the season with an injury.

"It's nice to have Bria back," Olson said. "She adds

a whole new dimension."

The entire squad contributed to Wednesday's win.

"We're headed in the right direction," Olson said. "We've got a long way to go, a tough schedule ahead of us."

North Bend hosts Willamette on Friday before seven straight road games, the first five a pair of doubleheaders against Churchill and Thurston sandwiched around a single game against Sheldon.

Coquille, meanwhile, suffered its first loss after four Sunset Conference wins, over Myrtle Point, Reedsport and a doubleheader sweep Saturday of Gold Beach.

Against Gold Beach, Ekelund had three doubles and Sanders and Bailey Higgins also hit doubles.

Ekelund had a triple and double in the win over Reedsport.

The Red Devils struggled against Shore.

"We were flat all day," Thompson said. "We definitely didn't play our best game."

"North Bend is the best competition we've seen."

The Red Devils return to Sunset Conference play Tuesday when they host Myrtle Point.

Creswell beats North Bend in tennis

THE WORLD

Creswell's boys and girls tennis teams beat host North Bend on Wednesday.

Creswell's girls won the battle of the Bulldogs 6-2 and Creswell's boys won 4-1.

North Bend's girls got their only wins in doubles, where Adrianna Frank and Olivia Knutson won the No. 1 match 6-0, 6-1 and Bailey and Madison West won the No. 3 match, 6-0, 6-0.

North Bend's boys also got their only win in doubles, where Adrianna Frank and Olivia Knutson won the No. 1 match 6-0, 6-1 and Bailey and Madison West won the No. 3 match, 6-0, 6-0.

GIRLS

Creswell 6, North Bend 2

Singles: Kira Wiegel, Cre, d. Maja Hartmann, 6-1, 6-1; Lily Rodriguez, Cre, d. Molly Richcreek, 6-2, 6-3; Amanda O'Reilly, Cre, d. Haley Reeves, 6-3, 6-1; Alex Cartmill, Cre, d. Fernanda Gonzalez, 6-1, 6-2.

Doubles: Adrianna Frank and Olivia Knutson, NB, d. Alex Cartmill and Caroline Spriggs, 6-0, 6-1; Kylee St. Sauver and Kimberly Kelsey, Cre, d. Chelsea Gould and Madeline Groth,



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North Bend's Kaileb Pickett follows through after hitting the ball against Creswell on Wednesday.

6-2, 6-4; Emily West and Madison West, NB, d. Haley Fox and Kaitlyn Landers, 6-0, 6-0; Lily Rodriguez and Caroline Spriggs, Cre, d. Trinity Barker and Chloe Moore, 6-1, 6-2.

BOYS

Creswell 4, North Bend 1

Singles: Chance Leach, Cre, d. Brody Ault, 6-2, 6-4; Ben Rodriguez, Cre, d. Kade Spini, 6-4, 7-6 (7-5); Cale Walker, Cre, d. Kaileb Pickett, 6-4, 4-6, 10-8; Andrew Smathers, Cre, d. Beau Parrott, 6-1, 6-3.

Doubles: Kaileb Pickett and Kade Spini, NB, d. Evan Stephens and Cale Walker, 7-5, 6-7 (5-7), 10-5.

MARSHFIELD START: Marshfield's boys and girls

have had mixed results in their start to the season.

Maddie DeLeon won her singles match 8-0 and teamed with Morgan Picatti for a doubles win as the Pirates topped St. Mary's 2-0.

DeLeon also won her singles match against Junction City in three sets. The Tigers won the other matches.

Marshfield's boys lost all their matches against St. Mary's. Spencer Pedersen came closest, losing 8-5.

GIRLS

Junction City 2, Marshfield 1

Singles: Maddie DeLeon, Mar, d. Jasmine Basi, 6-2, 4-6, 6-1; Sydney Goodin, JC, d. Bailey Flood, 6-0, 6-4; Sophia Francois, JC, d. Morgan Picatti, 6-0, 6-1.

Marshfield 2, St. Mary's 0

Singles: Maddie DeLeon, Mar, d. Sofia Casatillo, 8-0.

Doubles: Maddie DeLeon and Morgan Picatti, Mar, d. Pratheeka Weerakoon and Annabelle May-erle, 8-6.

BOYS

St. Mary's 4, Marshfield 0

Singles: Brady Reed, SM, d. Marco Bruno 8-2; Logan Diaz McNeal, SM, d. Titus Simon, 8-0; Matthew Poisson, SM, d. Cullen Cribbins, 8-1; David Noble, SM, d. Spencer Pedersen, 8-5.



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Meredith Mandal, seated at right next to Southwestern Oregon Community College coach Sandra Bullock, has signed to swim for Wheeling University in West Virginia. Mandal and the rest of the SWOCC women's team, pictured behind her, compete at the NJCAA national championships next week.

Mandal signs to swim for Wheeling

JOHN GUNTHER
The World

COOS BAY — Meredith Mandal has been a great leader on the Southwestern Oregon Community College swim team. That makes her an ideal person to join the start-up team at Wheeling University in West Virginia. Mandal recently signed with the school, which competes at the NCAA Division II level. She said the team's coach reached out to SWOCC coach Sandra Bullock and Mandal was a good fit. "He wanted some older people that weren't just freshmen and sophomores," Mandal said.

Bullock said Mandal fits the maturity trait well. "She is a wonderful human being, first and foremost," Bullock said. "She has been a leader for us. "She has a heart to just be there for her teammates." Mandal was recruited by a number of four-year schools, Bullock said. "She got to pick," the coach said. "She gets to help a D2 program get started." Mandal's planned field of study played a big role in her choice. "I am studying education," she said. "I want to be an elementary school teacher. I love teaching kids." Mandal already has gotten a head start on teaching oth-

ers, Bullock said. "She is a tutor in the tutoring center (on campus)," Bullock said. "She helps hear teammates." Mandal came to SWOCC from Sisters High School in Central Oregon. She has thoroughly enjoyed her time at SWOCC, despite the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic. "It's been awesome," Mandal said. "I love this team. The school has been really good. I love the beach." She also loves her swim team. "It's been awesome," she said. "Our core value is family. "It's a really good team." Mandal and the Lakers

finish the season next week at the NJCAA national championships in Florida and she will be busy with a schedule that includes arguably three of the most grueling individual events — the 200 breaststroke, the 200 butterfly and the 400 individual medley — to go with the 50 breaststroke and at least a couple of relays. "Her gut is displayed in the pool," Bullock said. "She is swimming some of the hardest events at nationals." Mandal's attitude about those events exhibits why she should also shine at Wheeling. "She's excited to do them," Bullock said. "She's worked hard to do them." The biggest sacrifice has

Lakers set to swim at national meet

JOHN GUNTHER
The World

COOS BAY — What has been a terribly challenging season for the Southwestern Oregon Community College swim team ends next week with what should be a rewarding finish, a trip to the NJCAA national meet in Florida. "We are excited," SWOCC coach Sandra Bullock said. "I'm really proud of this team and all we've overcome and the resilience in the midst of the pandemic." The meet runs Wednesday through Saturday and is hosted this year by Indian River State College, the dominant NJCAA swim program for many years and heavy favorites again this year — Indian River is the only school that can boast the maximum of 18 individual swimmers for both the men and women.

The Lakers hope to be in the mix for second place for both the men and the women. They bring 13 men and 13 women, which makes them one of the larger women's teams. "We could do very well," Bullock said.

The Lakers could also bring home a couple of individual champions — they have had two over the years and could double that this year. Jacqueline Feurtado has the best time in the NJCAA ranks in one women's event and Alejandro Robles Ruiz has the best time in three events for the men. The trip to nationals is a reward for the entire squad. "They have worked hard for this," Bullock said. "We have embraced the journey. It's been a year of great sacrifice." The biggest sacrifice has

been socially, embracing the team culture and staying safe during the pandemic. "The team that is going has been willing to make that sacrifice," the coach said. The Lakers have had a series of meets to prepare for the national meet, but all have been virtual, competing at the same time as other teams in different pools. "It will be our first live meet of the year," Bullock said. "It will be our first overnight trip." It will be a fun venture, including a chance to dip toes in the Atlantic Ocean, but Bullock plans to keep the squad focused. "It's a business trip," she said. "They know that. It's an amazing business trip." Since the national meet is later in the year because of the pandemic, it comes right during the midterm season for spring term and in addition to the competition, the team will have study halls Monday and Tuesday in Florida. The academics are important, and Bullock noted that the men and women have the best combined team grade point averages in the history of SWOCC's program — 3.52 for the women and 3.51 for the men. Then comes the action in the pool, which will be busy as well. All of SWOCC's swimmers are entered in four individual events. They can each compete in up to four of the five relays as well. Aside from the two distance races — the 1,000 and 1,650 — all the individual races also include prelims in the morning and finals in the evening. Bullock expects the squad to do well. "It should be a fun journey," she said.



Aliyah White, left, and Kianna Thomas each finished eighth in the vault for their divisions at the regional meet.

White, Thomas earn top-10 finishes at regional meet

THE WORLD

Aliyah White and Kianna Thomas of Gymnastics Plus each earned eighth-place finishes on the balance beam at the regional championships over the weekend. White also placed in the top 10 in two other events and the all-around for her age group. Thomas, competing in the Level 8 Sr A division, scored 8.8975 to place eighth in her division. White, competing in

the Level 8 Sr. C division, scored 8.700 for eighth in her class. Thomas also was 16th on the vault (8.175), tied for 18th on the uneven parallel bars (6.650), tied for 19th on the floor exercise (8.800) and was 18th in the all-around (32.600). White tied for ninth on the bars (8.575), was 10th on the floor (9.125) and tied for 16th on the vault (8.300). Her all-around score of 34.700 placed her 10th. Ali Kirby, competing in

Level 8 Jr B, had a best finish of 16th on the floor (9.050). She also was 17th in both the beam (7.975) and all-around (32.600), 18th on the vault (8.175) and 19th on the bars (7.400). The fourth member of Gymnastics Plus to compete in the regionals, Drew Hood, tied for 14th in both the vault (8.775) and floor (9.375) in the Level 7 Sr B division. She tied for 19th on the beam (8.600), was 21st on the bars (7.500) and placed 20th in the all-around (34.250).

Mohr captures national title in hour swim

For the second time in his masters career, local swimmer Ralph Mohr won a national championship in an epostal long distance event. Mohr took the men's 80-84 age group in the 2021 USMS Epostal Hour National Championship, covering 3,560 yards in 60 minutes. Mohr said he was happy with his distance, which was 30 yards fewer than in 2020. Restrictions due to COVID-19 have limited pool time for swimmers to 55 minutes per day at Mingus Park Pool, but Mohr considers himself fortunate to have any pool to swim in since most

indoor pools in Oregon have been closed for the past year. Swimmers who participate in epostal championships swim in their home pools and then the results are sent in to be compared with other swimmers from across the United States. Mohr topped 10 other swimmers in his age group ranging in hometown from New England to California. He was the only Bay Area swimmer to participate in the event. Mohr's next epostal event will be either 5-kilometer or 10-kilometer event in Eugene's Amazon Pool in May. Those events must be

completed in a 50-meter pool (Mingus Park measures 25 yards per length).

THE WORLD

Brody Montgomery won the first showdown of the season with Preston Luckman in the top class at Coos Bay Speedway and Seth Christian was a double-winner for the second straight week at the dirt oval track south of Coos Bay. Montgomery beat Luckman and Braden Fugate in the America's Mattress Super Late Models division after Luckman earlier won the heat race.

Christian won both the Street Stocks and Hornets divisions. In Street Stocks he also won the heat race and finished ahead of Dyllan Siewell and Charlie Withers in the main event. In Hornets, Christian and William Hitner won the heat races. In the main event, Christian finished ahead of Isaac Stere and Hitner. Ryan Emry won the Sportsman late Models with Tahlan Rogers second. Emry also won the heat race. Scott Beaudoin won the main event and heat race in Mini Outlaws. He was followed by Matthew Emry in the main event and Mike Beaudoin in the heat race. In the popular Junior Stingers division, Griff Smith again was the main event champion, followed by Alex Butler and Tallon Dubisar. Smith, Dubisar and Eli Luckman were the heat race winners. The dirt track racers have the weekend off this weekend, but are back at the

speedway May 1 for Pepsi Night, when all the local classes will be racing. The ET Summit Series NHRA Drags take the center stage this weekend with racing Saturday and Sunday and a Friday Night Street Drags and Test & Tune event. Both Saturday and Sunday the gates open at 8 a.m., with time trials at 11 a.m. and racing at 1 p.m. Admission is \$12 (free for children 6 and under) and the entry fee for drivers is \$50. This year there is a guaranteed payout for drivers. On Friday night, the gates open at 6 p.m. and racing and the test and tune run from 7 to 11 p.m. The fee for drivers is \$20 while the spectator fee is \$5. The next oval date May 1 will be followed a day later by the Mud Drags Oregon State Championship. For more information and a complete schedule, visit www.coosbayspeedway.us.

Oval Dirt Track April 17
America's Mattress Super Late Models — Heat Race: 1. Preston Luckman, Coos Bay; 2. Brody Montgomery, Bandon; 3. Braden Fugate, Bandon; 4. Hannah Robison, Myrtle Point; 5. Wayne Butler, Bandon; 6. Mike Taylor, Reedsport.
Main Event: 1. Brody Montgomery; 2. Preston Luckman; 3. Braden Fugate; 4. Mike Taylor; 5. Wayne Butler; 6. Hannah Robison.
Sportsman late Models — Heat Race: 1. Ryan Emry, Corvallis; 2. Tahlan Rogers, Albany; 3. John Crabtree, Gold Beach; 4. Dustin Hitner, Coos Bay.
Main Event: 1. Ryan Emry; 2. Tahlan Rogers; 3. John Crabtree; 4. Dustin Hitner.
Street Stocks — Heat Race: 1. Seth Christian, Roseburg; 2.

Dyllan Siewell, Bandon; 3. Daniel Land, Coos Bay; 4. Dave Siewell, North Bend; 5. Austin Morrow, Coos Bay.
Main Event: 1. Seth Christian; 2. Dyllan Siewell; 3. Charlie Withers, Bandon; 4. Austin Morrow; 5. Dave Siewell; 6. Daniel Land.
Mini Outlaws — Heat Race: 1. Scott Beaudoin, Portland; 2. Mike Baudoin, Portland; 3. Matthew Emry, Corvallis; 4. Joey Duke, Myrtle Point; 5. Nicole Emry, Corvallis.
Main Event: 1. Scott Beaudoin; 2. Matthew Emry; 3. Mike Beaudoin; 4. Joey Duke; 5. Nicole Emry.
Hornets — Heat Race 1: 1. William Hitner, Port Orford; 2. Isaac Stere, Cottage Grove; 3. Jeremy Mayfield, Coos Bay; 4. Jeff Nelson, Boise, Idaho; 5. Amy Hedgpeth, Coos Bay.
Heat Race 2: 1. Seth Christian, Roseburg; 2. Alyssa Johnson, Coquille; 3. Bid Van Loon, Winston; 4. Lily Metzgas, Myrtle Point; 5. Jim Van Loon; 6. Alexis Baker, Myrtle Point; 7. Ben Bahadar, La Cross, Wash.; 8. Jamie Daniels, Coos Bay.
Main Event: 1. Seth Christian; 2. Isaac Stere; 3. William Hitner; 4. Bid Van Loon; 5. Alexis Baker; 6. Jeff Nelson; 7. Ben Bahadar; 8. Amy Hedgpeth; 9. Joseph Maricle, Eugene; 10. Lily Metzgas; 11. Jim Van Loon; 12. Jamie Daniels; 13. Jeremy Mayfield.
Junior Stingers — Heat Race 1: 1. Eli Luckman, Coos Bay; 2. Tucker Dubisar, Coquille; 3. Heather Burton, Coos Bay; 4. Jordan Wheeler, Florence; 5. Anthony Hoggatt, Bandon.
Heat Race 2: 1. Tallon Dubisar, Coquille; 2. DJ Nelson, Coos Bay; 3. Drake Vincent, Myrtle Point; 4. Dylan Wheeler, Florence; 5. Riley Rockwell, Florence.
Heat Race 3: 1. Griff Smith, Bandon; 2. Cameron Metzgas, Coos Bay; 3. Alex Baker, Bandon; 4. Tanner Dubisar, Coquille; 5. Max Haga, Coquille.
Main Event: 1. Griff Smith; 2. Alex Butler; 3. Tallon Dubisar; 4. Cameron Metzgas; 5. Heath Burton; 6. Max Haga; 7. Drake Vincent; 8. Tanner Dubisar; 9. Tucker Dubisar; 10. DJ Nelson; 11. Jordan Wheeler; 12. Clarissa Hughes, Eugene; 13. Dylan Wheeler; 14. Riley Rockwell; 15. Eli Lukman; 16. Anthony Hoggatt.



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| Microsoft | 260.58 | 260.96 |
| Nike | 129.90 | 129.15 |
| NW Natural | 56.15 | 55.84 |
| Skywest | 50.84 | 50.80 |
| Starbucks | 116.74 | 116.38 |
| Umpqua Hldgs | 17.88 | 17.58 |
| Weyerhaeuser | 38.20 | 37.96 |

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| Xerox | 24.32 | 24.26 |
| Levi Straus | 29.07 | 28.91 |
| Dow Jones opened at | 34,109.88 | |
| Dow Jones closed at | 33,992.16 | |
| NASDAQ opened at | 13,950.22 | |
| NASDAQ closed at | 13,934.77 | |
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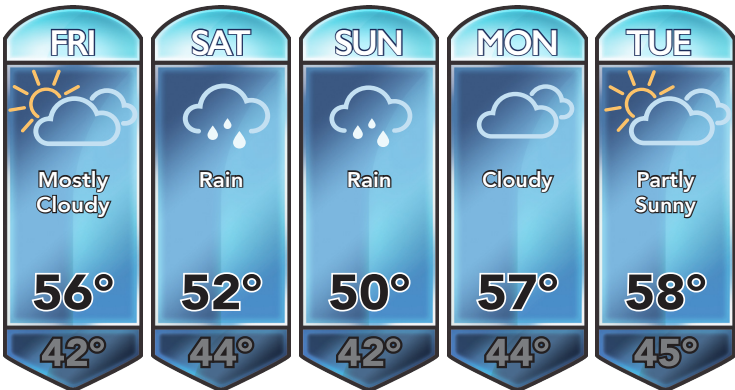
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100 YEARS – 1921

Pupils ready for operetta

Will be given by junior high school tomorrow

Those of young people taking part have worked hard to make it a success

The young people of the Junior High School are now busy selling tickets for the operetta “Boy Blue” which will be given at the high school auditorium tomorrow evening by the Junior High School Glee Club, under the direction of Mrs. O.L. Williams.

Mrs. Williams has been directing the study of music in the Junior High School for the past year. This operetta is a culmination of the year’s work, and the able manner in which the glee club carried out the musical numbers in a rehearsal yesterday afternoon shows the result of excellent training and unusual application on the part of the forty-one boys and girls who are taking part in the operetta.

The plot of the play is interesting and snappy and the choruses are tuneful and particularly suited to the youthful voices of the singers.

Hope to make money

A good attendance is anticipated. The boys and girls are very anxious that the affair should be a financial success, for they plan to purchase from the proceeds, the music which the glee club will need next year and to start a fund for a Junior High School piano.

This is a big undertaking for these young people, but they have spared no effort in doing their share and with all the optimism of youth they feel sure that the public will help them help themselves by coming out in large numbers to enjoy the entertainment they have prepared with so much effort and care.

Organ for Noble Theatre arrives

Is one of the finest and largest in state

Will cost about \$24,000 to management but will put theatre in class of best

The new pipe organ for the Noble theatre arrived in the city today and will soon be installed. An expert from Seattle will be here to put the organ in place. It is a Wurlitzer

Hope-Jones organ and one of the largest and finest in the state outside of Portland, and cost about \$24,000 to install. The organ in fact furnishes the same music as would a 24-piece orchestra and the Noble theatre with this new instrument installed is put on the same basis as the Portland theatres in the way of musical service.

Dwight Reese, the organist at the Noble theatre, will go to Portland to take special instructions under the organist at the Liberty theatre. The company manufacturing the organ purchased provides the special instruction at the Liberty theatre for the musicians who are employed by purchasers.

The initial expense of the organ is very great for a city of this size, but it does away with the necessity of hiring an orchestra, gives more musical capacity than an ordinary orchestra, and in addition the management felt justified in affording the local theatre-goers a service which would put the Noble on a basis with any playhouse in the state.

Two go to jail for no license

Foreigners decide to serve out their time
Ben Agostino of McMullen Ranch also convicted, but pays \$40 fine and costs

Dominic Carbone and Santo Xarbone, two Italian miners, who yesterday pleaded guilty to fishing in Joe Nay Slough without a license were taken to the county jail to serve out the \$25 fine imposed. Special Game Warden H.L. Davis took them over.

When the two were searched before taken into jail, sufficient money was found on their person to pay their fines. However, they declared they did not have any special jobs now and would rather serve it out at \$2 per day and board than to spend their money. Each will have to serve about twenty days.

Agostino also fined

Ben Agostino who has the McMullen Ranch on which the offense occurred was also fined \$25 and costs, amounting to \$40. Agostino fought the charge on the ground that the state law provided it was not necessary for a person to have a license to fish on his own property. Agostino and his attorney, Bennett Swanton, contended that his lease of

the McMullen ranch gave him the right of a property owner.

However, a provision of the game law which specifies specifically that all unauthorized residents must have fishing or hunting licenses before engaging in the sport at any time in any waters and in case of hunting must have a special license to carry a gun as well as the hunting license.

In consequence, Justin Joehnk found Agostino guilty.

50 YEARS – 1971

Countywide study to determine health needs told in Coquille

COQUILLE — Plans for a countywide house by house study to determine local health needs was unveiled at a special meeting here Wednesday of local agency officials by an Oregon State Board of Health planning director.

John Cippoli, creator of a health data collecting program called CHIPS, Comprehensive Health Information Planning System, called the program a rapid and relatively simple method of identifying health needs over a large area.

Coos County Health Officer Dr. A.B. Munroe will coordinate the study, scheduled to start this month. Local health-related agencies, law enforcement groups, school districts and county-city departments will take part in the study.

Cippoli said health data collecting programs using CHIPS were currently under way in 19 Oregon counties. He cited work recently completed in Douglas County as the state’s model program.

According to Cippoli Coos County would become one of seven Oregon counties now putting together CHIPOS programs to study health conditions on a county-wide basis.

CHIPS, he noted, will survey the entire county on a block by block, house by house basis using personal health information. Cippoli added environmental conditions in the county will also be identified in the study.

Bait fishing on coast discussed in Brookings

BROOKINGS — Commercial bait fishing for anchovies along the Oregon coast was discussed when the Brookings Izaak Walton League met this week in Brookings with officials from the Oregon Fish Commission and the Oregon Game Commission.

Dee Shurtleff, vice president of the Brookings Izaak Walton League, said the members have expressed concern that commercial bait fishing may deplete the runs of these fish, which are a big factor in attracting salmon to the area.

Shurtleff said it is possible legislation will be sought placing commercial fishing for anchovies under a permit system to be regulated through the Oregon Fish Commission. Future action will be discussed at the next Izaak Walton meeting May 25 at the Brookings port office.

Charles K. Walters, aquatic biologist with the Oregon Fish Commission, attended the meeting and explained that his agency could not take a stand on the issue. Walters discussed the biological factors of the anchovies, stating that few studies have been made on these fish which are believed to range from San Francisco to British Columbia.

Bay Area trio seeking berths at Oregon State

CORVALLIS — Oregon State hopefully expects to have a strong football team in 1971, if results from spring practice sessions are any indication.

Three of those who have performed well in spring drills are from the Coos Bay area, and Coach Dee Andros feels they should be even better in the fall.

Making a strong bid for a starting offensive left tackle is Big John Todd, a 6-3 245 pound letterman from North Bend. Todd, in effect, “won his spurs” as a sophomore, but he’s bigger and better now than he was then.

Todd’s chief competition for the starting job will come from Dave Nirenberg, a 6-4, 250 pound senior who was a regular last year.

Perry Boots, a 6-1, 200 pound sophomore from Bandon high school, is a strong candidate for the roving linebacker job on defense. He currently has been playing behind Butch Wicks, who was a first-stringer last year. Andros says that Boots is a fine prospect.

Third member of the Coos Bay area trio is Fred Girt from Marshfield high in Coos Bay. Girt, at 5-9 ½ and 195 pounds now, red-shirted last fall after playing freshman ball two years ago. At offensive halfback, he is battling a pair of veterans for the starting job, Senior Ralph Show and Junior Mike Davenport. The latter was one of the heroes in OSU’s 24-9 win over Oregon last fall. He scored two touchdowns after moving from fullback just for that game.

20 YEARS – 2001

Mowe 20th pick in WNBA draft

Basketball: Former Powers star chosen by the Portland Fire

Former Powers standout Jenny Mowe is headed for the WNBA.

Mowe, who recently completed her senior season at the University of Oregon, was taken as the 20th overall pick in the WNBA draft by the Portland Fire on Friday.

She was the first Pac-10 player drafted Friday and the first-ever Duck to be drafted by the league, which is in its third season.

“I didn’t achieve all the dreams I wanted to in college,” Mowe said Friday during a news conference after she was picked. “Just going to the next level, and keeping my dreams, is just a great opportunity for me.”

Mowe, a 6-5 center who was a Parade All-American at Powers, averaged 7.1 points and 5.1 rebounds in her career. The Ducks went to the NCAA tournament for the eighth straight season, but a dispute between the players and coach Jody Runge threw the program into turmoil.

Mowe was the fourth center taken in the draft and the third player drafted by Portland, who took Southwest Missouri State star Jackie Stiles and North Carolina’s LaQuanda Barksdale in the first round.

Mowe was quick to call her family with the good news Friday.

“She’s really, really excited,” said Patty Mowe, Jenny’s mother.

That Mowe was drafted was great news. It’s even better that Portland was the team that took her.

“She wanted to stay close so people could come and watch her,” Patty Mowe said.

Reedsport bowler rolls into Hall of Fame

REEDSPORT — Lorna Page can add another page to her bowling scrapbook.

With three books already full of various pictures, patches and scorecards, the latest entry recognizes Woods’ contributions to the game and community.

The Reedsport resident was inducted into the Women’s National Bowlers Hall of Fame, located in Milwaukee, Wis., and also received a clock and certificate from the Women’s International Bowling Congress.

“It was a thrill,” Woods said. “I said, ‘I just can’t believe it.’”

The 86-year-old was originally selected into the WNB Hall of Fame last spring but couldn’t receive the award due to a broken hip. Now that the injury has healed, she again is enjoying the hobby that has been part of her life for more than 40 years.

Woods moved to Reedsport in 1937 with her husband, Grover Woods, whom she has been married to for 66 years, but bowling didn’t begin until 20 years later. Woods learned how to bowl with the help of a friend and has thrown the ball down the lanes ever since.

“I really have enjoyed bowling,” she said.

Meth bust nets 7 pounds at four Coos sites

A widespread drug bust involving nearly every police agency in Coos, Curry and western Douglas counties as well as three federal agencies has resulted in the seizure of more than 7 pounds of suspected methamphetamine, seven arrests and referral of nine children to state care.

In what the South Coast Interagency Narcotics Team said is one of the largest drug busts in recent history, police cracked down on what they believe was a multi-state drug ring that had been operating in Coos County for years.

“We know that at least two of them have been in the area, in operation for in excess of eight years,” said SCINT Sgt. Dan Looney.

Action Monday came as the result of a year and a half of a combined narcotics investigation between SCINT and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration involving drug trafficking in Coos, Curry and western Douglas counties, Looney said.

Beginning at 8:30 a.m., police teams — with the help of the DEA, the Immigration and Naturalization Service and the Internal Revenue Service — simultaneously served three federal search warrants and one state warrant at two homes in Coos Bay, one in North Bend and one on Morgan Creek Road in rural Coos County.

At each of the residences, police made sweeping arrests and confiscated suspected narcotics as well as money, guns and methamphetamine-making supplies.

Looney, however, said police don’t believe they cracked a drug-making site. No methamphetamine cooks were arrested.

“It was all imported from out of this state,” Looney said of the drugs.

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

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515 Employment Opps

Applications for the position of **Water Worker I** will be accepted by the City of Reedsport, 451 Winchester Avenue, Reedsport, Oregon 97467 until 5:00 PM, Tuesday, May 4, 2021.

A complete job description and required City application is available at Reedsport City Hall or online at www.cityofreedsport.org.

The salary range for this position is \$2,668.41 - \$3,533.10 per month with a full competitive benefits package. This position is covered by a collective bargaining unit agreement.

Please mail or hand deliver completed applications and materials to Kim Clardy, Public Works Director at 451 Winchester Ave., Reedsport, Oregon 97467.

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City of Coos Bay Public Hearing Notice

On Tuesday, May 4, 2021 at 7 PM, with social distancing, required masking and limited physical attendance, the City Council and Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at 500 Central Ave to consider two ordinances amending the City's Comprehensive Plan and Development Code to facilitate House Bill 2001 housing development mandate and streamlining of the land use review process. The meeting will be live streamed on <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-w12ikBNWVkoVWVqJ0b-k2g>. The City Council will take action on amendments to Coos Bay's Comprehensive Plan, chapters 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 and amendments to Coos Bay Municipal Code Title 17 chapters 17.130 Procedures; 17.150 Definitions; 17.210 Establishment of Zoning districts; 17.220 LDR Zoning district; 17.225 MDR Zoning District; 17.312 Accessory Dwelling Units and 17.335.120 Multi-unit Dwelling Standards..17.230 Commercial Zoning district; 17.235 Industrial- Commercial Zoning district; 17.240 Waterfront Heritage Zoning district; 17.255 Urban Public Zoning district: 17.260 Medical Park Zoning district; 17.322 Manufactured Home, RV and Park Model Parks; 17.335.040 Lighting, 17.335.060 Landscaping; 17.335.110 Zero lot line development; 17.335.140 Affordable Housing Incentives; 17.340 Variances; 17.349 Cultural Resources; 17.365 Cottage Clusters; 17.347 Conditional Use Permits; 17.362. Planned Unit Development; 17.367 Subdivisions; 17.370 Single Room Occupancy and 17.372 Adjustment Review. The proposed amendments can be found at <http://coosbay.org/departments/-community-development-department> under "Long-Range Planning" A Council staff report for the public hearing will be posted 04/27/2021 at <http://coosbay.org/archive/agendas-minutes>. Comments? contact Carolyn Johnson, Community Development Administrator at 541-269-8924 or at cjohnson@coosbay.org; or by US mail to the Community Development Department, City Hall, 500 Central Ave, Coos Bay. Published: April 23, 2021
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Estate of Ronald Paul Weber
Notice to Interested Persons
Case No. 21PB02504
In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Coos, in the Matter of the Estate of Ronald Paul Weber, Deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Claudia Ciobanu, the Estate Administrator of the Department of State Lands has been appointed as the personal representative of the Estate of Ronald Paul Weber. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, to the undersigned personal representative in care of Matthew H. Schrupf, Assistant Attorney General, Oregon Department of Justice, 1162 Court St. NE, Salem, OR 97301-4096 or the 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 representative, or the attorney for the personal representative.
Dated and first published: April 16, 2021.
Personal Representative: Department of State Lands
775 Summer St. NE, Suite 100
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Attorney for Personal Representative: Matthew H. Schrupf, OSB #090232
Assistant Attorney General Oregon Department of Justice
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Published: April 16, April 23 and April 30, 2021
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS
In the Matter of the Estate of
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Deceased. Case No. 21PB02799
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them to the undersigned personal representative at Lawrence Finneran LLC, Attorney at Law, 405 North Fifth Street, PO Box 359, Coos Bay, Oregon, 97420, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice or they may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by this proceeding may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative. DATED and first published this 23rd day of April, 2021.
James B. Gilpin
Personal Representative
Published: April 23, April 30 and May 7, 2021
The World & ONPA (ID:314313)

Attorney for Personal Representative: Matthew H. Schrupf, OSB #090232
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE STATE OF OREGON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS

Probate Department
In the Matter of the Estate of
MYRON W. RENCEHAUSEN
Deceased.

Date of death: November 29, 2017. Case No. 21PB01606
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned personal representative at 5677 Oberlin Drive, Suite 210, San Diego, California 92121, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative, or the lawyers for the personal representative, Darren J. Devlin. Dated and first published on April 23, 2021.
/s/ Darren J. Devlin
Personal Representative

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS PROBATE DEPARTMENT No. 21PB02623 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

In the Matter of the **Estate of Therese J. Greif, Deceased.** Notice is hereby given that Nanette T. Ross 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: Five Centerpointe Dr. Ste. 240, Lake Oswego, OR 97035, within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice, as stated below, or their claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the above proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative. Dated and first published April 9, 2021.
Nanette T. Ross
Personal Representative
Christian M. Oelke, OSB#983127,
Scarborough, McNeese, Oelke & Kilkenny, PC
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS
In the Matter of the Estate of
WARD C. GILPIN,
Deceased. Case No. 21PB02799
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them to the undersigned personal representative at Lawrence Finneran LLC, Attorney at Law, 405 North Fifth Street, PO Box 359, Coos Bay, Oregon, 97420, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice or they may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by this proceeding may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative. DATED and first published this 23rd day of April, 2021.
James B. Gilpin
Personal Representative
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS PROBATE DEPARTMENT CASE No. 21PB02145 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

In the Matter of the Estate of James Vernon Beal, Deceased. Notice is hereby given that Judith A. Holm has been appointed Personal Representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them to the undersigned attorney for the personal representative at PO Box 979 Bandon, OR 97411 within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, or such objections 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 representative, or the attorney of the personal representative. Dated and first published April 23, 2021.
Judith A. Holm
Personal Representative

Manuel C. Hernandez, OSB #874123
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Ariel Aguirre has been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of KONRAD ALAN COX, deceased, Coos County Circuit Court Case No. 21PB01175. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them within four months from the date of the first publication of this Notice to the Personal Representative at Willamette NW Law Firm, LLC, 767 Willamette Street, Suite 203, Eugene, OR 97401, or they may be barred. Any person whose rights may be affected by these proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative or from the Personal Representative's attorney. DATED and first published: 04/23/21
/s/ Ariel Aguirre, Personal Representative
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, the Lakeside Planning Commission will be holding public hearing CU2021-03, May 6, 2021 beginning at 6:00 pm at Lakeside City Hall, 915 North Lake Road, Lakeside, Oregon. The public hearing will be held to discuss one application for both a Conditional Use Permit and a Variance request, dated March 09, 2021, and revised and resubmitted on 4/9/2021, on property located at 703 Park Avenue, Lakeside, OR, 23S12W18BD Tax Lot #2000, to allow for a marine commercial business and allow two recreational vehicles to be placed on lot in the Marine Commercial 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. 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: April 23, 2021
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NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING
A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the **Charleston Rural Fire Protection District, Coos County** State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 will be held at **Charleston Fire District, 92342 Cape Arago Hwy.** The meeting will take place on the 10th day of **May, 2021, at 7:00 PM.** The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after **May 10, 2021 at Charleston Fire District, 92342 Cape Arago Hwy.** between the hours of **10:00 AM & 12 noon** and **1PM & 4:00 PM.** This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee.
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NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING
A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the City of Bandon Urban Renewal Agency, Coos County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, will be held at City Hall, 555 Highway 101. The meeting will take place on the 10th day of May 2021 at 7:00 PM. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained after May 10, 2021, at City Hall, 555 Highway 101, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM. The City's website where this notice can also be read is: <http://www.cityofbandon.org>. This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Listed below is the time and place of additional Budget Committee meetings which will be held to take public comment.
Date: May 17, 2021 (if needed), at 7:00 PM
Location: City Hall, 555 Highway 101, Bandon, OR
The public is invited to attend the Zoom Webinar by registering at: May 10, 2021: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/wn-fmTUMh3QheU_NbNFf2oKA
May 17, 2021: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/wn-fmTUMh3QheU_NbNFf2oKA
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NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING
A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the North Bay Fire District, Coos County, State of Oregon to discuss the budget for fiscal year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 will be held at North Bay Fire Station 1 located at 67577 East Bay Road, North Bend, Oregon. The meeting will take place May 12, 2020 at 7:00 PM. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and comments from the public on the budget. A copy of the budget may be inspected or obtained on or after May 12, 2021 at 67577 East Bay Rd. North Bend, Oregon between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM. This is a public meeting where discussion of the budget committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the budget committee.
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NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING
A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the **COOS COUNTY AIRPORT DISTRICT, COOS COUNTY**, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 will be held in the Board Room at the Southwest Oregon Regional Airport's main hangar office located at 1321 W Airport Way, North Bend. This meeting will take place on the **5th** day of **May 2021 at 5:30pm.** This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget will take place. The Budget Committee will receive the budget message and recommended budget, and take questions or comments from the public on the document. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee. Public comments can also be made in writing and submitted via email to info@flyoth.com, fax at 541-751-1010, or delivered to the terminal lobby at 1100 Airport Lane, until May 5, 2021 at 10:00 am, and will be shared during the meeting. An electronic copy of the budget document may be obtained on or after **April 30th, 2021** by contacting airport administration at 541-756-8531.
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Notice of Preliminary Determination for Water Right Transfer T-13471
T-13471 filed by Michael and Susan Mlynarczyk, 64225 Solari Rd., Coos Bay OR 97420, Dustin and Emily Parkhurst, 64204 Solari Rd., Coos Bay OR 97420, Adam Henry Kubli, 64175 Solari Rd., Coos Bay OR 97420, Steve and Tina Winfrey, 64078 Solari Rd., Coos Bay OR 97420, Donald And Diane Boyer, 64110 Solari Rd., Coos Bay OR 97420, Tyler and Steffanie Dean, 66368 Sunshine Rd., Coos Bay OR 97420, and Robert and Tina George, 66340 Sunshine Rd., Coos Bay, OR 97420, propose a change in place of use and a change in character of use under Certificates 39351 and 39423. Certificate 39351 allows the use of 0.021 cubic foot per second (cfs) from an unnamed creek in Sec. 34, T25S, R12W, WM for domestic supply for new school buildings and teachers residence in Sec. 26, T25S, R12W, WM. Certificate 39423 allows the use of 0.0025 cfs from an unnamed stream in Sec. 34, T25S, R12W, WM for school use in Sec. 26, T25S, R12W, WM. The applicants propose to change the place of use to Sects. 26 and 27, T25S, R12W, WM and to change the character of use to domestic expanded for eight residences. The Water Resources Department proposes to approve the transfer, based on the requirements of ORS Chapter 540 and OAR 690-380-5000. Any person may file, jointly or severally, a protest or standing statement within 30 days after the last date of newspaper publication of this notice, 04/23/2021. Call (503) 986- 0815 to obtain additional information. If no protests are filed, the Department will issue a final order consistent with the preliminary determination. **IMPORTANT:** Due to COVID-19, the Department's office is closed to walk- in services. The Department encourages the submission of protests by U.S. mail. Please consider mailing early to ensure the Department receives the protest by the deadline specified above.
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NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING
MILLICOMA RIVER PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT
A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Millicoma River Park & Recreation District, County of Coos, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 will be held in the Community Center, 10361 Highway 241, Allegany, OR 97407. The meeting will take place on May 4, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after April 28, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., weekdays, by contacting Billi J. Grimes, CPA, at Wheeler & Grimes, CPAs, LLC, 817 Roseburg Road, Myrtle Point, OR, telephone (541) 572-0290. The May 4, 2021 meeting is a public meeting where deliberations of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting to discuss the proposed budget with the Budget Committee.
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NOTICE OF STATE REVENUE SHARING PROPOSED USE HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that the Budget Committee of the City of Bandon will hold a hearing at 7:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as possible, Monday, May 17, 2021, in the Council Chambers at Bandon City Hall, 555 Highway 101, to discuss the proposed use of State Revenue Sharing Funds. The public is invited to attend the Zoom Webinar by registering at: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/wn-fmTUMh3QheU_NbNFf2oKA
After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.
Dan Chandler
Budget Officer
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Notice of Budget Committee Meeting

A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Timber Park Rural Fire Protection District, Coos County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, will be held at the Eastside Fire Hall, 365 D Street, Coos Bay, Oregon. The meeting will take place on Thursday, May 6, 2021, at 7 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget. This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee. A copy of the budget document may be obtained on or after May 1, 2021 by calling HMW CPAs & Associates LLC, 3690 Broadway, North Bend, Oregon at (541) 269-9338 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.
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NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

PROBATE NO.: 21PB01164
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I, Isaac William Driver, have been appointed Administrator of the Estate of Terrance James McMullen by the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Coos County, and all persons having claims against said estate are required to present them to me at the law office of my attorney, Jason C. Broesder, 770 S. Front Street, Suite 100, Central Point, OR 97502, within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or they may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by this proceeding are advised that additional information may be obtained from the court records, the undersigned, or my attorney.
DATED AND FIRST PUBLISHED this 23rd day of April, 2021.
Isaac William Driver,
Personal Representative
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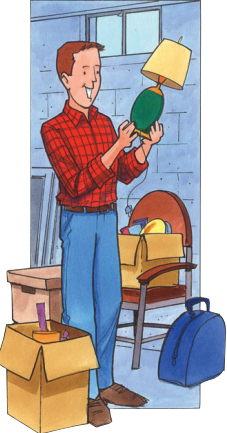
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A Sunday Drive

South Slough brings the forest alive

By DAVID RUPKALVIS
The World

I found out about the South Slough National Estuarine Research Reserve by accident. But I'm glad I did.

Several weeks ago, I received an email at work announcing an upcoming hike at the reserve. I believed the email was sent so we could share the hike in The World, which I did. After it printed, I received a couple of emails asking how that got in the paper.

Despite the mistake, I found somewhere else to explore. Most of my time out with my family in recent months had been at area beaches, but South Slough Reserve offered something different – a trek through the forest.

So, on a Saturday morning, we made the trip and found ourselves at the reserve. After looking at a map of the different trails, we chose to hike the Hidden Creek Trail. So, we headed out, or more accurately down. From the parking area, the Hidden Creek Trail heads downhill for about a mile. On the way, there are lots of surprises.

Dense forest is broken up with bursts of vegetation. This time of the year, flowers are starting to bloom, adding a burst of color to the trail.

Not too far after you start, you begin to hear the creek the trail is named for. But true to the name, it remains hidden for quite a while. About halfway down, you get your first glimpse of the creek. In time, you can get up close, as crystal-clear water moves toward the slough.

Near the bottom, a boardwalk takes over allowing guests to meander over vegetation and marshland to get close to the South Slough. At the bottom, when you reach the slough, the reserve has built a great viewing area, perfect for taking a break, watching wildlife and taking in the scenery.

At that point you have a choice to make – turn around and head back or continue on. I was intrigued by the name of one trail – the Tunnel Trail – so we continued on.

The Tunnel Trail is the perfect name for the next bit of the journey as plants and greenery create a perfect tunnel to walk through. It moves back into the forest, but the scenery is different and breathtaking.

After we made it through the Tunnel Trail, we turned around and headed back. Warning for those out of shape like I am. Heading down is relaxing and gives you a great chance to take in the scenery and the quiet. Heading up is much more of a workout. But we made it. A little tired, but refreshed nonetheless.

Experiencing the forest is different than the beaches, but it's still an amazing time. You might run into a few others on the trails, but for the most part South Slough is quiet and peaceful, with the only sounds coming from the creeks and occasional wildlife.

All the trails are well maintained, with wooden bridges and the boardwalk at the bottom to protect guests at any tricky points.

I am ready to go back and try some of the other trails and to ex-



Photos by David Rupkalvis/The World

After hiking down the Hidden Creek Trail at the South Slough Reserve, a treat awaits at the bottom as the forest opens up to show the South Slough. The reserve has well-maintained hiking trails and provides an opportunity to see many birds and other wildlife. Below, the Tunnel Trail gets its name from the tunnel that leads deep into the forest.



Please see **Slough**, Page B6



Courtesy rendering

So it Goes Coffeehouse will present Hammered: A Thor & Loki Play live online at 7 p.m. April 30.

So it Goes to present Thor & Loki online

Hammered: A Thor & Loki Play is presented live online one night only at 7 p.m. April 30 on the So It Goes Coffeehouse Facebook page. Hammered: A Thor & Loki Play is a family friendly show written by Christian Borle, that runs just under an hour. This Marvel Spotlight play is presented with permission from Concord Theatricals. There is no charge for the performance.

The link to the page will go live at 7 p.m. at <https://www.facebook.com/soitgoescoffeehouse>

The cast includes Bryan Bailey (Thor), Taylor Marchant (Loki), Eric Gleason (Odin and Cul), Tim Novotny (Thor Odinson and Herald), Derek Baden (Fandral, The Jock and Forseti), Aymee Pedder (Freyja, Editor and Frigg), Sabrina Gonzalez (Sif and Ellisiv), Anse Tauber (Hogun and The Comic Book Geek), Mike the Bear (Volstaag and Hoener), and features 12-year-old Juliana Lopez (Atli), and 11-year-old Nicoya Pruess (Heimdall). The show is directed by John Beane and Daneal Doerr.

So It Goes Coffeehouse has brought shows such as Dash Riprock & The Tentacles of Doom, Murder Party and Pulp Shakespear. So It Goes continues its storytime offerings for kids and families online during the pandemic, as well as weekly contributions for local homeless groups. For information check them out on Facebook, Instagram or at [soitgoescoffeehouse](https://www.facebook.com/soitgoescoffeehouse).

Free household hazardous waste collection event in Reedsport

The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, Southern Oregon Sanitation Inc., Douglas County and the City of Reedsport are hosting a free household hazardous waste collection event from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 1, along Fir Avenue between Hahn Park and the Douglas County Justice Court building in Reedsport. This event will follow COVID-19 safety protocols, including con-

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The Chamber Minute: Leadership Coos coming



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Leadership Coos is an excellent way to see the total picture of what this area is about.

Whether you have lived here all your life or just arrived in Oregon’s Bay Area, in the nine months of Leadership Coos you will learn facts,

find services and discover opportunities you never knew existed. You also share time with a diverse group of professionals who make up your class, those giving presentations and the Leadership Coos committee members who were always on hand to direct the process.

One day per month from September through May participants attend seminars, tours and briefings which show them the issues and opportunities within our community and challenge them to become involved in the political or community organizations that match their interest. Monthly subjects, for example, range from

natural resources and agriculture, the historic foundation of our economy, to how we are governed, from the city to the federal level, to living in the Bay area—talking about arts, entertainment and recreation, and many more topic areas.

Leadership Coos, utilizing all the COVID issue guidance and the improving overall county health situation in their planning, will be organizing its 32nd class for 2021-22. This class will start in September, unless we as a community need to address another aspect of the pandemic.

We have been blessed to live in this place, at this time. With the new

insights gained through Leadership Coos, we encourage you to put your talents into action for your community, as many of the over 800 program alumni already have.

So, if this sounds interesting to you, give us a call today and we will get you on the list for that next class.

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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.)

Winning awards announced for Expressions West 2021 exhibition

In conjunction with the opening of the Expressions West 2021 exhibition on April 16, juror Yuji Hiratsuka announced his selection of prize winners in this 13-state art competition. Expressions West is now in its 24th year and remains one of the premier exhibitions held annually at Coos Art Museum. This year’s exhibition runs through June 26.

The first place prize was awarded to Elaine Dunham

of Coos Bay for her acrylic and mixed media painting, I Feel Fine. Second place was presented to Alan Paine Radebaugh of Albuquerque New Mexico for his oil ADO 3. Charles Fawcett of Bellevue, Washington received the third place award for his oil Matthew contemplating his future. The three top prize awards are \$1,000 for first place, \$750 for second place and \$250 for third place.

Honorable mention awards

were announced during the opening ceremony. The four honorable mention recipients are: Bets Cole of Elmira for Lighthouse Dream, gouache; Heather Halpern of Eugene for Open Your Mind, mezzotint; Barbara Martin of Hillsboro for Le Petit Garçon, acrylic and graphite painting; and Lawrence Montgomery of San Francisco for Rodeo Drive Revisited, oil.

Entry of merit awards were also announced. The three entry of merit recipients are: Walt Padgett, Grants Pass, Aokigahara, photopolymer intaglio print; Séraphine’, Studio City, California, Native Pride, acrylic; and Steve Wright, Coos Bay, Wright Lighthouse, metal sculpture.

Hiratsuka has taught printmaking and drawing in Oregon State University’s College of Liberal Art since 1992.

He is a nationally and internationally known artist and printmaker with 53 solo and 150 multi-artist exhibitions. Born in Osaka, Japan. Hiratsuka has an art education degree from Tokyo Gakugei University and degrees in printmaking from New Mexico State University and Indiana University. In January 2020, he was named as OSU Distinguished Professor, the highest academic honor the university can bestow on a faculty member.



Contributed photos

Elaine Dunham of Coos Bay won first place in the Expressions of the West exhibit of the Coos Bay Art Museum with this painting titled, I Feel Fine. Left, Alan Paine Radebaugh placed second with his painting.

Hiratsuka’s art can be found in the public collections of The British Museum, Tokyo Central Museum, Panstwowe Museum in Poland, Cincinnati Art Museum, Cleveland Art Museum, Portland Art Museum, New York Public Library, The Library of Congress, The Smithsonian’s Museum of Asian Art and The House of

Humor and Satire in Bulgaria. His one-person exhibition Contemporary Narratives: Prints and Works on Paper runs consecutively with Expressions West.

Coos Art Museum has been a cultural focal point of Oregon’s scenic Southern Coast since 1966. It occupies the historic 1936 art deco U.S. Federal Building in

downtown Coos Bay.

The museum offers a wide range of arts activities including exhibitions, art classes and lectures. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday through Friday and 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday.

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HOW TO PLAY:

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ACROSS

- Luau instrument
- London's Old —
- Waterfront sight
- Brooks or Blanc
- Richard's Almanack
- Press
- Muslim honorific
- Sicilian landmark
- Delightful place
- Criticize
- Sigmund or Anna
- DJ's albums
- Heavy weight
- Stirring
- Mariachi gig
- Popinjay
- Reddish-brown horse

DOWN

- Polish
- House mem.
- Jason's ship
- Previous to
- Warfare
- Kilt feature
- Shogun's yes
- Student stat
- Goatee sites
- Lomond and Ness
- Breakdown
- Frau's abode
- Not hither
- Two-color cookie
- Lo-cal
- Pair
- Some T-shirts
- Fabric meas.
- House shader

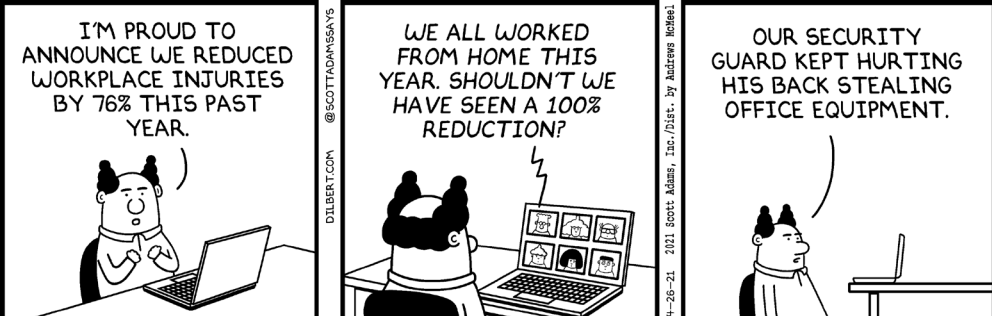
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- Casts a ballot
- Charged particle
- Making
- Hive VIPs
- Lahore language
- Mellowed
- Ginza money
- Spice rack item
- Genre
- Caviar, actually
- Kenya's loc.
- Troubles
- Dr.'s visit
- Cabby's take
- Twig bearer
- Mystique
- In a boorish manner
- Put money on
- Side against
- Horned animals
- John, in Aberdeen
- Resinous substance
- Floods the market
- Antidote
- Made tracks
- Jekyll's alter ego
- 2020 Pixar film
- -com
- Bail out
- Name, to Pierre

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ACROSS

- Colorful carp
- Pressed-grape residue
- Baseball club
- Doing nothing
- Memsahib's nanny
- Inventor — Whitney
- Uncivilized
- Singer Turner
- Cartoon shriek
- Out of the rain
- RC rival
- Smidgen
- Air show formation
- Sulked angrily
- Eucalyptus diners
- Phillips University town
- Something remarkable
- Weaken
- Put down, slangily
- Cooked enough
- Lament loudly
- Citizen's right
- Exchange
- Kiki or Joey
- Pen point
- Gounod opera
- Not up to
- Novelist — Beattie
- Off in the distance
- Marble block
- TV receiver
- Antarctic sea
- Jealous goddess
- Tango number
- Unite
- Customary manner

DOWN

- Emu relative
- Wednesday's god

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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| U | K | E | | V | I | C | | Q | U | A | Y | | |
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| M | E | D | S | | Y | D | S | | | E | L | M | |

- Wrongs
- Alike, as socks
- “Who — — to say?”
- Fled
- Hat
- Honk
- Stein fillers
- Polynesian carving
- Revised text
- Pop
- Snakelike fish
- Mouse cousin
- Gave dinner
- Where to earn a B.A.
- Japanese soup
- fu
- Cold — — icicle
- Uttered
- Secluded
- Work at
- Of nutrition
- Ohio River feeder
- Gridiron stats
- Storage unit
- ER worker
- Speedy
- Freshly
- Golden Rule word
- Squandered
- Dr. Zhivago's love
- Online auction
- Egg — yung
- Call upon

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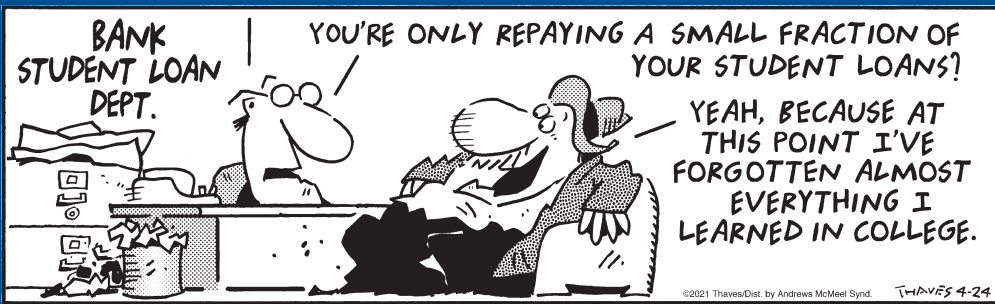
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CAN I BORROW YOUR JEEP TO DRIVE TO TOWN, SARGE?

SURE...

CAN YOU READ ME ONE MORE STORY, PLEASE?

I DON'T KNOW, DENNIS. IT'S GETTING LATE AND...

C'MON, DAD! ONE LAST STORY! ANYTHING YOU WANT!

PULL OVER, JULIUS

JUST MAKE ONE UP!

OKAY...OKAY.

...AND THAT'S THE STORY OF THE TOY COWBOY WHO WISHED ON A STAR AND HIS DREAMS CAME TRUE!

I HAVEN'T SEEN A HITCHHIKER IN AGES

I HITCHHIKED ACROSS THE COUNTRY WHEN I WAS A YOUNG LAD

WOW, DAD! THAT WAS COOL!

EVEN THOUGH YOU RIPPED OFF TOY STORY WITH A PINOCCHIO ENDING.

GOOD LUCK GETTING A RIDE

GREG + MORT WALKER

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BLONDIE

BY DEAN KUNZ & JOHN MARSHALL

COLD PIZZA IN THE REFRIGERATOR!!

HÄGAR THE HORRIBLE

Dik By BROWNE

HAGAR, WHAT'S THE WORST INJURY YOU EVER RECEIVED IN BATTLE?

WELL, ATTILA THE HUN ONCE CHOPPED OFF MY HEAD...

BUT I'D BROUGHT A SPARE WITH ME, SO NO PROBLEM!

I THOUGHT AHEAD, YOU SEE...

A HEAD!

GET IT?

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YUUNNNN

HAGAR! LARS IS DOWN!

CLANK

ARGH

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WOOOO

YEOW!!

BOOM

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HE WANTS TO TALK TO YOU

IF I DON'T MAKE IT, TELL MY WIFE I LOVED...

OWWW

DEAR, ARE YOU OKAY?!

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I'M FINE, HONEY

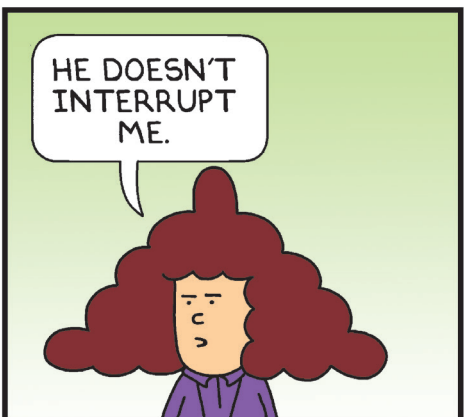
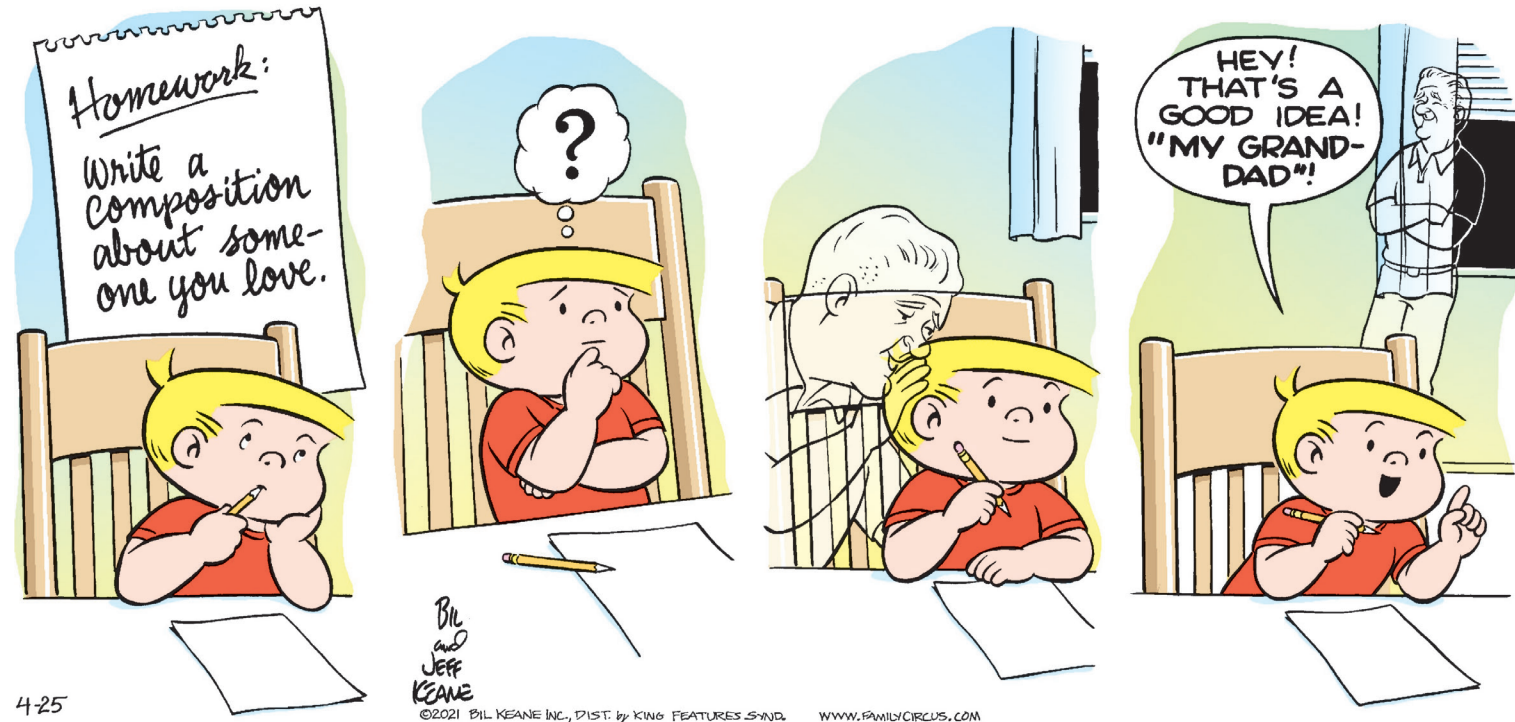
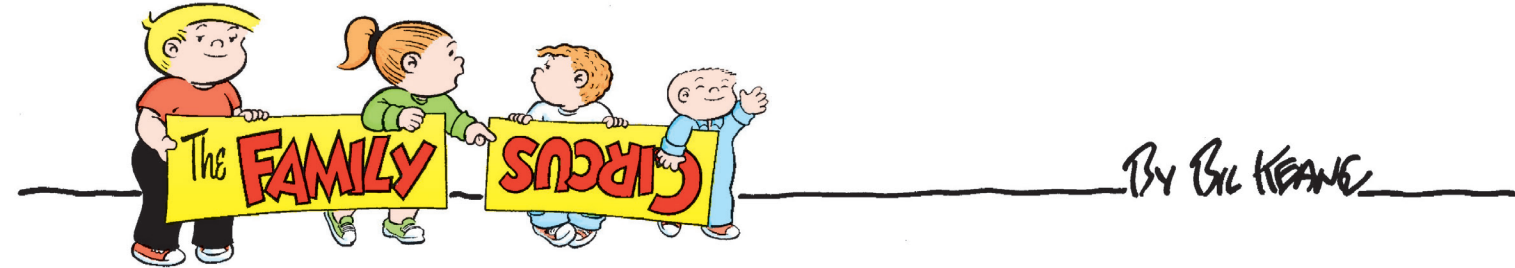
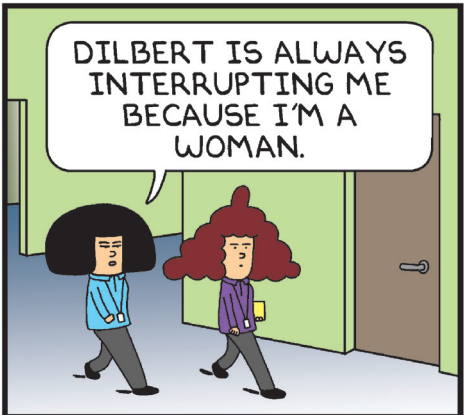
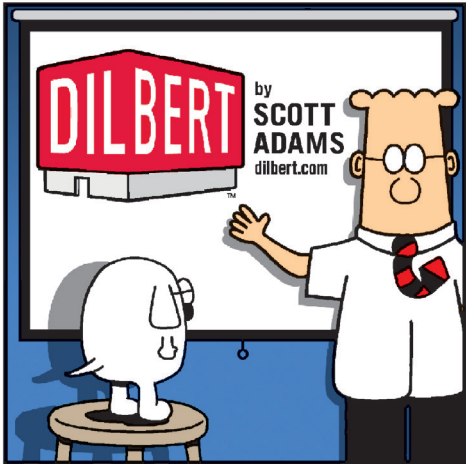
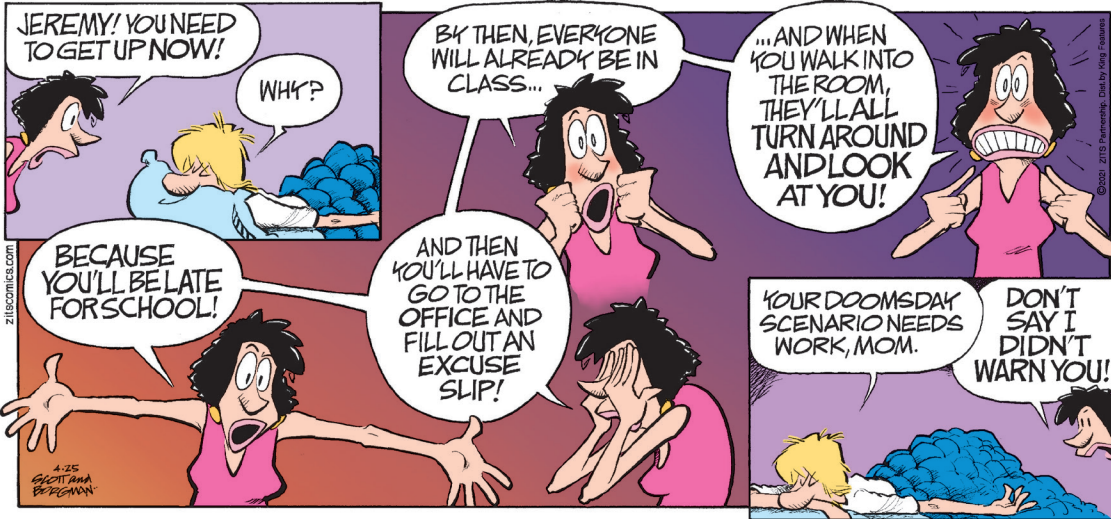
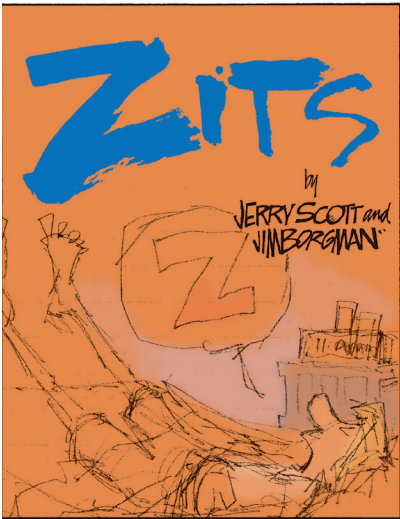
GUESS WHAT?! I JUST FOUND MY LUCKY GOLF BALL!!

HER PINEAPPLE UPSIDE-DOWN CAKE!

I DIDN'T HEAR THAT!

HEAR WHAT?

BROWNE



DOONESBURY

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

