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Coquille Indian chief passes away

By **DAVID RUPKALVIS**
The World

The Coquille Indian Tribe is in mourning after Chief Don Ivy passed away last week.

Ivy, who served as chief since 2014, died July 19 after a seven-month battle with cancer. His family has asked for privacy as they mourn, and the Coquille Tribe said they would honor that request.

Tribal Chairman Brenda Meade made the following statement after her friend and fellow leader of the Coquille Tribe passed away.

“Chief Ivy was a consistent source of wisdom and kindness for the Coquille people. His voice was an invaluable asset to those of us who were privileged to serve with him in tribal leadership, and we will miss him terribly. We offer our prayers for his

family, along with our enduring gratitude for his many contributions to the tribe’s wellbeing,” Meade said.

Ivy was well-known in Oregon as a champion of Indian people and a scholar of tribal heritage. He received many awards for his leadership and contributions to the state of Oregon and Indian country, including the Potlatch

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Don Ivy, the chief of the Coquille Indian Tribe, passed away last week after serving as chief for seven years.

File photo



Photo contributed by Tim Aguilar

A professional skateboarder rides at the Coos Bay skate park in Tom Schaar’s ad that was run in Thrasher magazine for Element skateboards.

Coos Bay skate park getting a facelift

More work is needed in the future to keep park open

By **DAVID RUPKALVIS**
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For Tristen Reasor, having a quality skate park in Coos Bay is personal.

He was part of the group that volunteered years ago to help build the skate park, and he has used it hundreds of time through the years.

So, when he was informed it was in shambles, he decided to do something about it.

“I was one of the builders of this

place,” he said last week, pointing at the skate park in Mingus Park. “There were six of us who started and worked on the place.”

That work ended when the skate park opened in 2009, and it immediately attracted some of the best skateboarders in the world.

“People travel here from all over,” Reasor said. “It’s also been featured in Thrasher Magazine twice.” The most recent, was their June 2021 issue.

In 2019, Reasor was notified that the tile, or coping, at the

top of the bowls at the park was falling apart. When he went to investigate, he learned people riding scooters and bikes at the park had destroyed the tile. Approximately 20 feet were missing or destroyed. When he contacted the city, they informed him that they were closing the park for safety reasons. He then took it upon himself to do something.

With the permission of the city, the skate park was closed down for a month last year, and Reasor became a volunteer. He

replaced around 70 of the tiles during that time.

Reasor said he decided to do the work himself because it takes someone with special skills and knowledge to properly do the work.

“A standard tile layer is not going to be able to fix the place,” he said. “A standard sidewalk company is not going to be able to fix the place. It needs a skate-park builder, and I guess I’m the one with the knowledge.”

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Fernando Rojas Galvan poses for a photo with faculty and staff at Southwestern Oregon Community College.

Riding to show his love for community colleges

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Fernando Rojas Galvan has two loves in life – being outdoors and teaching at a community college.

This summer, he is combing the two while trying to raise money for his college, Clatsop Community College. To do both,

he decided to ride his bike around the state, stopping at every community college on the way.

On Wednesday, Galvan made it to Southwestern Oregon Community in Coos Bay. He was greeted by more than a dozen staff members and students, many holding signs welcoming

Galvan to the campus.

“I’m thrilled to be here,” Galvan told the crowd. “I was looking at your website, and I can’t believe you guys get people from all over the place.”

Galvan said the crowd was the biggest he has seen at any of his stops. He then explained why

community colleges mean so much to him.

“I’m the oldest of six,” he explained. “My father never attended school formally in his whole life. My father thought to be a man, you had to hold down a job and to be a real man, you had to

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Former CEO to lead Southern Coos temporarily

By **DAVID RUPKALVIS**
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A familiar face was chosen to lead Southern Coos Hospital for the short-term.

During a special meeting of the Southern Coos Health District Board of Directors, the board voted unanimously to ask former hospital CEO Debi Ellis to lead the board until an interim CEO could be named.

Ellis previously served as CEO and is currently working for the hospital. When the board voted to terminate the contract of former CEO Eugene Sukki last week, Ellis reached out to board members to say she would be willing to step in for the short-term if it would help the hospital.

Before deciding how to fill the void, the board looked over the job description of the CEO.

“I’ve never seen anything like this. This is an eight-page, single-spaced job description,” Mary Schamehorn said. “I’m not sure anyone other than God could do it. There’s hundreds and hundreds of things the CEO has to do.”

Several times board members said a new CEO was needed due to low morale at the hospital and the danger of losing doctors and other employees unless the right leader was chosen. Despite that, board member Norbert Johnson said he hoped the temporary CEO would not make major changes.

“I’m hoping the interim CEO will not make any leadership changes,” Johnson said. “I’d prefer they would leave that for the CEO.”

But Schamehorn wasn’t so sure.

“I certainly don’t think we should tie the person’s hands we’re going to hire,” she said.

Brent Bischoff, who led the meeting as the only remaining board officer, said he wanted someone who would begin to regain trust.

“We need someone who will come in and establish relationships and trust and start to get a feel for the organization,” Bischoff said.

The board members had information from three people who were interested in serving as interim CEO. Two had expressed interest in possibly becoming the permanent CEO as well. Ellis did not apply for the job but told board members she would be willing to do it until an interim choice could be made.

“I think it’s urgent we fill the interim role as soon as possible,” Bischoff said as the three board members began discussing their options. “Who

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Photo gallery: Livestock take center stage at fair
Photo gallery: Bandon Museum open again

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Skate Park

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After replacing some of the coping last year, Reaso worked with the city and got permission to continue work this year. The skate park closed again in June, and Reasor and a small number of volunteers have been working to put new coping around the entire park.

Since June 22, Reasor has been at the park almost every day doing the work. It is slow going, but he is making progress.

While the coping will take care of the immediate needs, Reasor also found some other major problems at the park. Since the park was built and opened in 2009, the ground around it has settled, which has caused cracking in the concrete. The cracking is extensive and eventually will cause the park to fail if not repaired.

Again, Reasor decided it was up to him to do something, so with the help from a few members of the community they started a nonprofit, the Coos Bay Skatepark Association. With four board members, the association applied for and was recently approved as a 501C3 nonprofit.

“There’s a lot of room for this to settle,” Reasor said. “It’s going to be an expensive repair.”

Reasor said since the park opened, the land around it has sunk six to 12 inches. Add to that the main feature, the “cradle,” weighs approximately 120,000 pounds, and the damage to the base is pretty extensive.

Once the repairs on the

coping are finished, the park will reopen. But ultimately more work will be needed. Reasor hopes the new nonprofit will be able to raise money to keep the city from having to fund the repairs.

“We will be doing fundraising and we will be pushing out more information,” Reasor said. “First and foremost, we’re focusing on repairing the park and making sure it lasts. If this isn’t repaired, it will fail.”

Ultimately, Reasor has even bigger goals. He said the skatepark as it sits now is designed for experienced skaters. New skaters have few options in the city to learn on. The park is also not designed for people on scooters and bikes, but Reasor thinks they should have a place to enjoy as well.

His long-term goal is to be able to expand the park to include activities for new and moderate-level skaters as well as things for those riding scooters and bike.

“This place wasn’t designed for them, it was designed for skateboards,” Reasor said. “I still think they deserve a place to ride, so that’s the next step for the nonprofit. What we have here is professional skateboard level. We don’t have a lot of beginner or intermediate. We have an amazing deep end, but we don’t have anything for youth.”

The work Reasor is doing now is costing the city almost nothing. Reasor is providing the labor and Scott Cooper with AYA made a donation to the city to cover materials.

Reasor said there is

about a five-year window to begin the major repairs before it is too late to fix the park. And, in his opinion, it is worth fixing. He said between 20 and 30 people use the skate park every day, and because it is so well designed, it draws tourists from outside the area.

“I have talked to people from all over the country who come here,” Reasor said. “Oregon is a Mecca for skateboarders. People come from all over to skate in Oregon.

“There’s a whole series of skate parks along the coast people travel for. There’s a huge tourism industry among skateboarders, and they stop at the park because of the cradle.”

Reasor hopes to finish the work on the coping in the coming weeks, with the park reopening early in August. He will then turn his focus to the future, with a goal for preserving the skate park for decades.

To keep up with that plan, follow the Coos Bay Skatepark Association on Facebook.



Photos by David Rupkalvis/The World

Above: The main crater at the Coos Bay skate park has made it a destination for professional skaters since 2009. Bottom: As the foundation has settled, large cracks have begun to destroy the concrete holding the skate park



CEO

From A1

is out there who would do it.”

Jeremiah Dodrill, the hospital’s CFO, agreed to fill the role of CEO when

Suksi was terminated. At the meeting Tuesday, he said he would continue if the board asked him to. But the board quickly decided having the CFO cover both positions was not something they wanted.

“I am still receiving

phone calls from staff,” Johnson said. “There’s still some issues going on.”

Schamehorn said the three people who had applied were all qualified. “I think we’ve got some good people who are ready to step in,” she said. “I

think two would be interested in doing it long-term. That gives us a real opportunity to evaluate them.”

All three board members agreed, a “fresh set of eyes” would be beneficial.

“We all know about the report,” Schamehorn said. “We know what the report said. There is a morale problem here. We need to start addressing that or we’re going to lose people.”

Johnson then made a motion to hire Ellis as acting CEO effective immediately. Schamehorn seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. The motion was to only keep Ellis until the board could find an interim CEO.

The board members than agreed to interview all three candidates who have applied, with a goal of picking one quickly.

Once an interim CEO is in place, the board will work on filling two vacant positions on the board. A full board of directors will then begin looking for a permanent CEO.

“This will buy us time,” Shamehorn said. “I think she’s willing to serve as long as it takes. I think Debi would go a long way toward healing some of the rift that’s in this hospital.”

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Weed of the Month

Canada thistle and Bull thistle

ID Tips:

- Canada thistle** Perennial. Deep taproot with spreading root system that can spread 10 to 12 ft in a single season-main source of growth. Leaves mostly smooth. Stems slender, ridged, and hairy, not winged like Bull and Slenderflower thistles. Flowers pink/purple, clustered 1/2 to 3/4 inch. Flowers June until October.
- Bull thistle** Biennial. Leaves short spines on upper side and longer ones at the end of lobes, downy underneath. Stems dense white hair and spines on the angles formed by the leaf wings. Flowers pink magenta to deep purple 1.5 to 2 inches. Flowers mid-June until early Fall.

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Canada thistle

Sharp prickles on leaf margins

Canada thistle

Flower base have weak spines

Bull thistle

Spines around the flower base

Bull thistle

Spines on the leaf margins and leaf surface

Bull thistle

Wings on stems

Concern: Threatens grassland habitats. Found in hay fields, pastures, clear cuts.
Prevention: Prevent seeding.
Control: Canada-Digging roots can spread infestation! Mow every 3-4 weeks over multiple seasons. Try competitive plantings. Apply herbicide when plants fully emerge in spring or in fall before frost. Bull-dig with shovel at rosette or stem/flower stage. Cultivation and tilling can be effective prior to flower budding. Apply herbicide in spring or early summer to rosettes or bolting plants or in fall to seedlings and rosettes.

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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7	8	3	4	6	2	5	9	1
4	5	6	9	7	1	8	2	3
1	9	2	8	5	3	4	7	6

HOW TO PLAY:

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

ACROSS

1 Help letters

4 Trims back

8 Make a mad dash

12 Completely

13 Eros, in Rome

14 Reason to cram

15 Result in (3 wds.)

17 Strauss of denim

18 Roman garments

19 Diving duck

20 Koan discipline

22 Rocky Mountain hrs.

23 Good-natured

26 Self-images

28 Ordinance

31 Pandora's boxful

32 Get-up-and-go

33 Groom's reply (2 wds.)

34 Large green parrot

35 Yes, in Yokohama

36 Sharif or Bradley

37 Telepathy, briefly

38 European capital

39 Hide-and-seek, e.g.

40 Church seat

41 Milk qty.

43 Stew ingredient

46 Driver's choice

50 Old Norse poem

51 Construction material

54 Blue-pencil

55 Akron's home

56 Peggy or Brenda

57 Treats fractures

58 Gulp down

59 Not Dem. or Rep.

DOWN

1 Road crew's supply

2 Bread spread

3 Refinery waste

4 Make happen

5 Ref's cousin

6 Tyke

7 Marquee notice, for short

8 Ignited again

9 Canned

10 Underground chamber

11 Sultan's cousin

16 Stuns

19 Superman's emblem

21 Sister's boy

22 Down in the dumps

23 Goddess of victory

24 Lands in "la mer"

25 Give a hand

27 Paraphernalia

28 Capital of Peru

29 Father of Seth

30 Sported

36 Leering sort

38 Stiller of "Zoolander"

40 Limerick writers

42 Wide cravat

43 Raw metals

44 Disrobed

45 No future

47 Eatery

48 — — -foot pole

49 Have occasion for

51 Male swan

52 Melodrama shout

53 Nothing

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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	WES	RON		
YOKES		LEASED		
URN		SAULT	YAM	
MAE		OPRAH	ERA	
ALE		REX	DEW	

DILBERT

GOING FORWARD, I'LL BE SCHEDULING WEEKLY ONE-ON-ONE MEETINGS WITH EACH OF THE ENGINEERS.

DO YOU PLAN TO SPEND THE ENTIRE MEETINGS JABBERING ABOUT YOURSELF?

THEY'RE GETTING A LOT BETTER AT PREDICTING.

CLASSIC PEANUTS

AND THEN I REMEMBER THAT TEST WE HAD IN HISTORY...

IT WAS EASY... I JUST GLANCED AT THE QUESTIONS AND BREEZED RIGHT THROUGH!

THAT MUST HAVE BEEN NICE

IN ALL MY LIFE, I'VE NEVER BREEZED RIGHT THROUGH!

FRANK AND ERNEST

I THINK THIS INTERLEAGUE PLAY IS GETTING OUT OF HAND.

WEDNESDAY

DILBERT

DID YOU RESPOND TO TED'S LONG EMAIL?

NO, I JUDGED IT TO BE A MANIFESTATION OF HIS MENTAL ISSUES AND NOT SOMETHING I NEED TO ADDRESS.

NOTHING WILL EVER GET DONE AROUND HERE UNLESS YOU START PRETENDING YOUR CO-WORKERS ARE SANE.

WILL DO.

CLASSIC PEANUTS

The curtain of night enveloped the fleeing lovers.

Though fiery trials had threatened,oceans of longing had kept them together.

Now,a new icicle of terror stabbed at the embroidery of their existence.

JOE METAPHOR!

FRANK AND ERNEST

MILK

MILK SHAKE

MILK DUDS

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ☆☆☆☆☆

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HOW TO PLAY:

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ACROSS

1 Emulated a crow

6 Crowd together

11 Find

12 Attire

13 Troops

14 "Emma" novelist

15 The Bee —

16 "Big Blue"

18 Frequently

19 Barge pusher

23 Literary compilation

26 Hosp. personnel

27 Writer — Grey

30 Back out

32 Lurch

34 Frank

35 49th state

36 Hurt

37 Wolfed down

38 Recipe meas.

39 Bookworm, maybe

42 Receive a high score

45 Boat implement

46 Party tray cheese

50 Lose

53 Get away from

55 Film on copper

56 Burned and looted

57 In a lather

58 Famed violin

DOWN

1 Central part

2 Crowning point

3 Pants measurement

4 Hot time in Paris

5 Made blueprints

6 Winter woe

7 — Alamos, New Mexico

8 Herr von Bismarck

9 Gourmet's staffer

10 Superman's alias

11 Hang back

12 Hunter's garb

17 Small shot

20 Persuading

21 Flowering shrub

22 Skater

23 Lipinski

23 Eyebrow or rainbow

24 Lowest high tide

25 Kendrick or Faris

28 Sparrow's dwelling

29 Cartoon shrieks

31 Adams or McClurg

32 Party provisioners

33 Take a snooze

37 "Just as I thought!"

40 "Naked Maja" artist

41 Wallpaper, etc.

42 DJs' gear

43 Ta-ta, in Turin

44 "Como — used?"

47 Computer fodder

48 Parroted

49 Sz. option

51 Backtalk

52 Some

54 Roost

THURSDAY

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING:☆☆☆☆☆

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- ACROSS
- 1 Pigeon cousin
5 NFL player
8 Hear a case
11 Roulette color
12 Has debts
14 “That means —!”
15 Lhasa —
16 Arm bone
17 Felt boot
18 Goes by boat
20 Serve the bubbly
22 Stoic philosopher
24 Chocolate candy
25 Egyptian peninsula
28 Mild expletive
30 — — step further
31 Was driven
33 Shri!l barks
37 Big horn
39 Weight
41 Louis XIV, e.g.
42 Crams in

- 44 Less cordial
46 Laurel or Kenton
48 First-aid item
50 Pack animals
52 Major Japanese port
55 Issa of “Insecure”
56 Pet name
58 Cesspool
60 Time to celebrate
61 Give off heat
62 Funny Bombeck
63 Some, to Pierre
64 Snake River loc.
65 Use the overhead

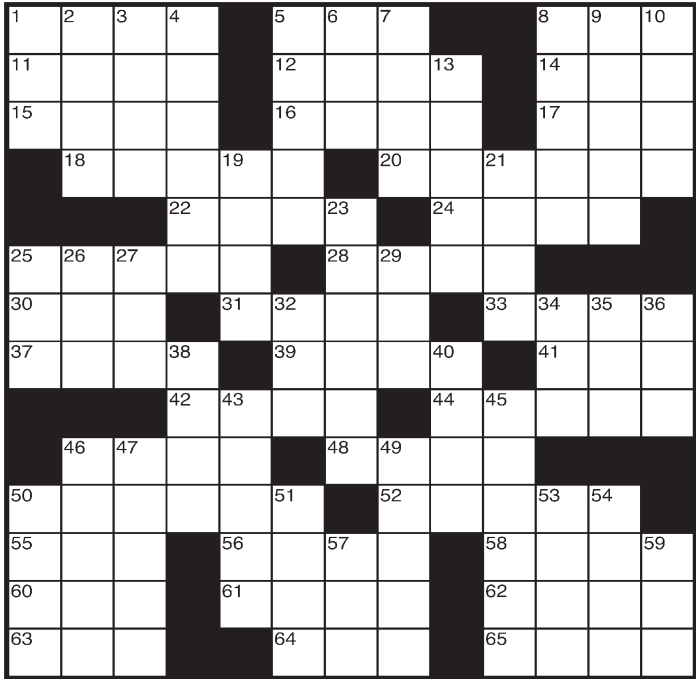
- DOWN
- 1 Chromosome material
2 “Excuse me!”
3 Customs request

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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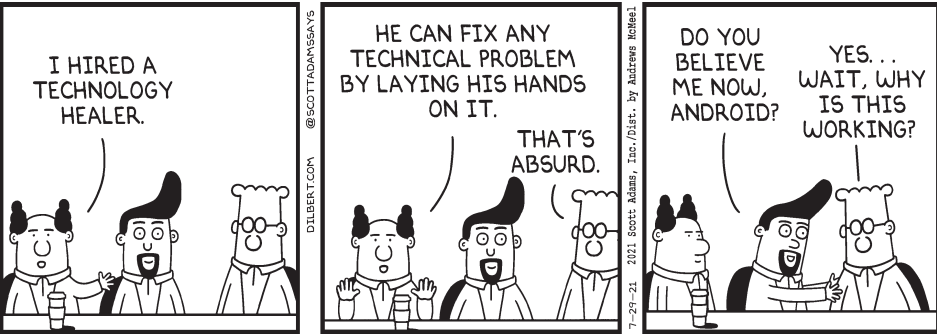
4 Beethoven’s Third
5 Waken rudely
6 Boring tool
7 Diner’s options
8 Error in print
9 Surf sounds
10 “Oh, gross!”

13 Decaf brand
19 Place to hibernate
21 Radio — Music Hall
23 Most unusual
25 Noncom
26 Chit
27 Snatch
29 Sports “zebra”
32 Unit of resistance
34 Onassis nickname
35 “The Raven” author
36 Isaac Newton’s title
38 Partly closed
40 Peaks
43 Battery’s “+” end
45 Comes to an end
46 Urbane
47 Nesting places
49 Large artery
50 Propagated
51 Teamster rig
53 Russell or Vonnegut
54 GI supply
57 Give alms
59 Fido’s shaker



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DILBERT



CLASSIC PEANUTS



FRANK AND ERNEST

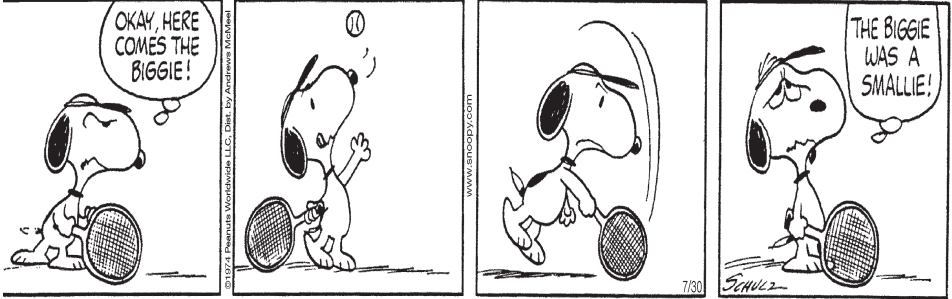


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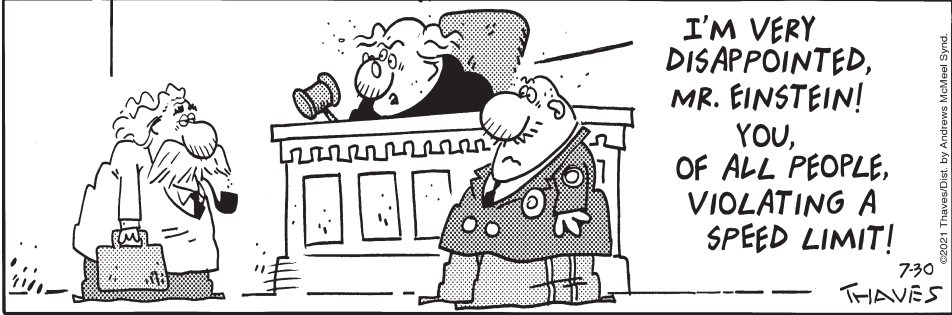
DILBERT



CLASSIC PEANUTS



FRANK AND ERNEST



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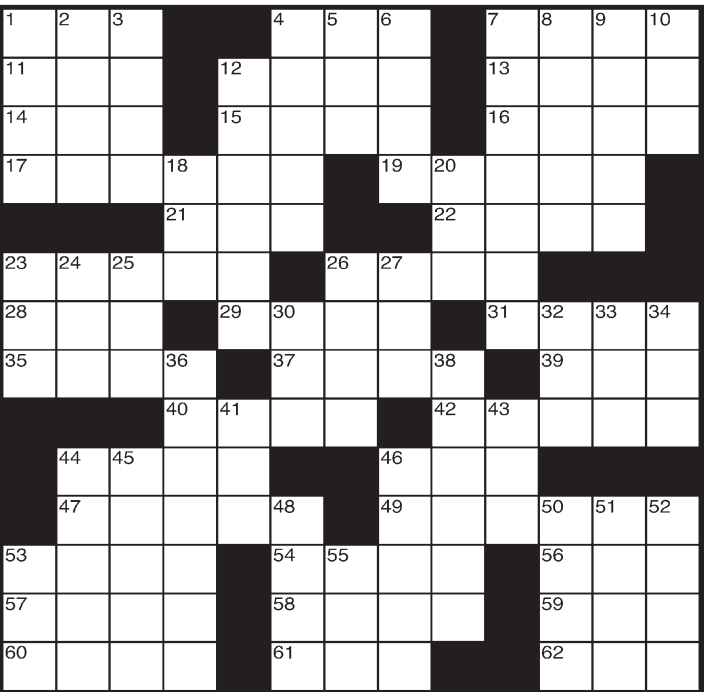
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GUEST COLUMN

12 years without a minimum wage raise

By HOLLY SKLAR

We’ve hit a terrible milestone for the federal minimum wage – 12 years without a raise. The last increase was to \$7.25 an hour on July 24, 2009.

That’s so long ago, the top movies that year were Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen, Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince, Up, The Twilight Saga: New Moon and Avatar.

The minimum wage has not gone up, but prices have.

It would take a minimum wage worker 79 hours per week on average to afford a modest 1-bedroom at Fair Market Rent, according to the National Low Income Housing Coalition.

The minimum wage has become a poverty wage instead of an anti-poverty wage. That hurts workers who can’t afford the basics, and it hurts businesses that count on customers with money to spend.

We’re in the longest period without a raise since the minimum wage was first enacted in 1938 to set a decent minimum standard of living, boost consumer spending, and help workers and businesses recover from the Great Depression.

The minimum wage used to increase regularly as worker productivity rose and the economy grew. But in recent decades, increases have been too little, too late to keep up with the cost of living, and the rewards of economic growth have gone increasingly to the top.

The federal minimum wage peaked in buying power in 1968, when it was worth more than \$12.50 in 2021 dollars, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Today, only D.C. and four states — California, Massachusetts, New York, Washington — have a statewide minimum wage rate currently in effect that is greater than or equal to \$12.50. Connecticut joins them with an August 1 increase.

Imagine going back in time to December 1968, when Apollo 8 astronauts made history by becoming the first humans to orbit the moon. And telling people that in 2021, the minimum wage would have much less buying power, but we’d be in a space race among billionaires.

Twenty states have minimum wages no higher than the \$7.25 federal level. Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina

and Tennessee have no state minimum wage, while Georgia and Wyoming have a \$5.15 minimum wage, so the \$7.25 federal minimum wage applies. The others are Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, New Hampshire, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Texas, Utah and Wisconsin.

Workers and businesses in these states and many others with inadequate minimum wages are counting on a federal raise.

“When wages are too low, everything is affected – home life, health, education and productivity on the job,” said Chrissy Jensen, owner of Domestica in Des Moines, Iowa. “Raising the minimum wage to \$15 will give people some room to breathe. They’ll be better workers and better customers.”

Businesses know their own pay practices are important, but not a substitute for a federal raise.

“We know that happier employees make for happier customers,” said Jordan Scott, co-owner and chef of Machina Kitchen & ArtBar in Keene, New Hampshire. “But the \$7.25 minimum wage leaves people in the food industry struggling to put food on their own table and keep a roof overhead. That hurts our local economies. It hurts the local farmers who depend on local restaurants like ours who do better when our communities do better.”

Momentum for a \$15 minimum wage is growing. Delaware is the 10th state — joining California, Connecticut, Florida, Illinois, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York and Rhode Island — to enact a \$15 minimum wage (with varied phase-in schedules).

But without a federal raise, millions of Americans will be left behind.

The U.S. House of Representatives passed the Raise the Wage Act, which would increase the federal minimum wage to \$15 by 2025, but the Senate has not followed suit. One way or another, Congress needs to get it done.

Raising the minimum wage will help us build a widely shared recovery and more resilient economy.

Holly Sklar is the CEO of Business for a Fair Minimum Wage, a national network of business owners and executives who believe a fair minimum wage makes good business sense. businessforafairminimumwage.org



GUEST COLUMN

Hard lessons from the border

By GARY PAUL NABHAN

The wall between the United States and Mexico has come to stand for desperation and suffering for many people. For most of us who live within 20 miles of this 452-mile wall, it’s also seen as a bizarre experiment: How much damage can ripple into the surrounding landscape from a wall that cuts a 60-foot swath through the natural world?

The term “crisis” also describes the border with Mexico. Water that once flowed, wildlife that needs to roam, and religious pilgrims - none know political boundaries. Yet to build this wall, vegetation was wiped away, roads bulldozed over mountains, waterways blocked and groundwater depleted by pumping. Lighting that never goes off has been installed on top of steel barriers 30 feet high.

Animals have been blocked from migration, their food chains disrupted.

Now, exotic weeds, insects and diseases can use the lengthy scar as a nick point for invasion, ultimately disrupting far more than what human border-crossers can do.

Meanwhile, the many people involved in borderland alliances have learned hard lessons from this wall, and the lessons need to be shared.

First, any effort to protect and restore what’s been harmed must engage the First Nations of this continent, who still live along one-fifth of the border, from San Diego to Brownsville.

Any “environmental protection” coalition that lacks Native American elders and professionals among its leaders will not get far. Vice President Kamala Harris and Interior Secretary Deb Haaland need to ensure that all agencies err on the side of more inclusiveness and environmental justice for all.

Second, when we neglect to listen to the voices of ranchers, farmers and other private land stewards along the border, everyone stands to lose.

Coalitions involving tough Texas property owners did far better at getting some concessions from Homeland Security than did coalitions in other states. At first, federal agency professionals and activists largely dismissed the concerns of ranchers and farmers who said they wanted better border security, but not a 30-foot wall.

In southeastern Arizona, the situation was different. As early as 2010, the Malpai Borderlands Group in Southeastern Arizona and adjacent New Mexico developed and implemented a tight border security plan. But its on-ground success was ignored by Homeland Security’s right-wing ideologues and discounted by left-wing activists who opposed any form of border security.

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Third, we need to rally people around concerns that are universally shared. One is the need to better protect artesian springs and flowing watercourses from groundwater pumping and blockage of stream flows. At least 80% of all neotropical birds and bats migrating between the U.S. and Mexico rely on wetland stopovers on or near the border. These water sources are also crucial to ranchers’ livestock, farmers’ food crop irrigation and local wildlife, especially as severe to exceptional drought affects every Western state.

Unfortunately, border activists failed to sufficiently recruit the support of food producers and waterfowl enthusiasts on the corridors north and south of the border to protect these vulnerable links. Now, we need their support to remove wall segments and floodgates that block transborder streams and wildlife movement.

Finally, one of our effective strategies for building broader coalitions to eke out some concessions was to link the protection of sacred sites at the border to constitutionally guaranteed religious freedoms granted to all Americans.

We rallied support of intertribal and interfaith organizations to denounce the way the wall would impact spiritual sanctuaries along the border, from Quitobaquito to La Lomita Chapel.

Spiritual leaders themselves should now direct the restoration of sanctuaries that were damaged in several states. And in Organ Pipe National Monument, cultural properties need to be fully returned to -- or co-managed with - the Tohono O’odham and Hia-ced O’odham.

Many O’odham and Kumeyaay youth put their lives at risk to protect their “places of the heart” while agency professionals stood meekly aside.

Since then, the Tohono O’odham Legislative Council has passed a resolution granting “sacred personhood” to all saguaros in their aboriginal homelands. This puts agencies on notice that the mutilation of thousands of cacti will never happen again on their watch.

I believe that United States, Mexican and First Nations peoples can work together to heal the wounds in the border landscapes in ways that heal the divisions among us as well.

It’s time to start.

Gary Paul Nabhan is a contributor to Writers on the Range, writersontherange.org, a nonprofit spurring lively conversation about the West. He is a Franciscan Brother, conservation biologist, writer and agrarian activist living in the borderlands.

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Letters to the Editor

Wrong time to build Coos Bay Library

Much of the talk at the last Coos Bay Council meeting was about the building of a new library. I think it’s a terrible idea. Coos Bay is full of young people with very few living wage job prospects and retirees who are getting ravaged by inflation. We cannot afford it; plain and simple.

Furthermore, we definitely cannot afford it now. It would be completely foolish to even try and have this built right now. I just purchased a single 2x6 for \$18.75 at the lumber yard. Yes. Almost \$20 for a single

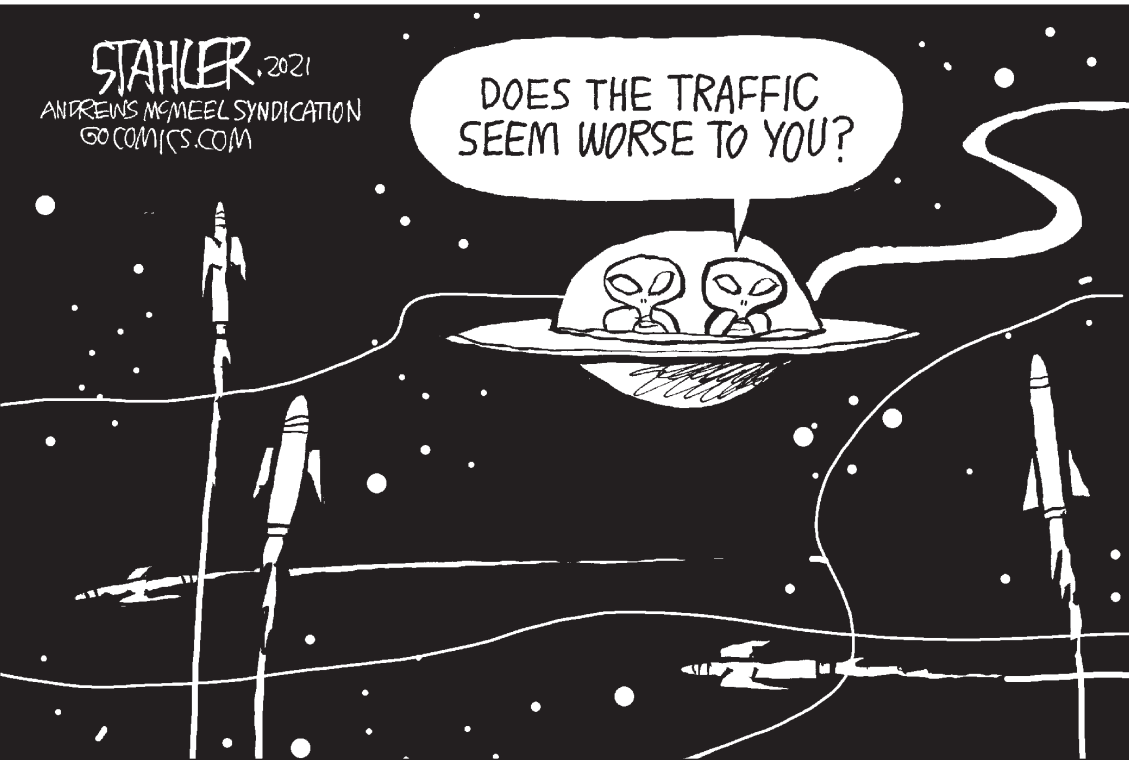
non-treated 2x6. That same 2x6 would have been about \$5 before this massive bout of inflation in lumber prices. The cost to build this library would be astronomical during the best of times. It would be a whole new dimension of preposterous to try and build it now.

We have to be better stewards of our very limited dollars. People are already struggling. If you say to yourself, “I can afford the \$X dollars more per month in taxes for the library” you need to think of those who cannot. When you vote to increase taxes, you’re not just voting to increase your own tax-

es, but the taxes of everybody in the city. There are a plethora of citizens of our city, young and old, who already have to rely on food stamps and food banks just to eat, don’t vote to take more money away from them.

The cost to build it would be ridiculous, and our citizens just can’t swing it. If the economic situations of the area were different, maybe I would consider differently, but the reality is that the money isn’t there. I am voting “no” on the upcoming library bond, I hope you will, too.

John Bordeaux
Coos Bay



OBITUARIES

Barry Wallis Blake

March 31, 1932 – July 14, 2021



A celebration of life for Barry Wallis Blake, 89, of North Bend, will be held at 11:00 am, Saturday, July 31, 2021 at the Bay Area Church of the Nazarene, 1850 Clark Street in North Bend, with Pastor Todd Inman, of Connections Community Church, officiating. A private graveside will be held at Sunset Memorial Park in Coos Bay.

Barry was born March 31, 1932 in Boston, Massachusetts to Gilbert

Russell and Ruth (Trask) Blake. He passed away July 14, 2021 in North Bend.

Barry graduated from Major Edwards High School in West Boylston, Massachusetts. He served in the United States Air Force from 1950 to 1953. Barry resided in California from 1952 to 1971, where all his three children were born.

He moved to North Bend, Oregon in 1971, where he worked for the North Bend School District from 1971 until his retirement as Director of Operations in 1995. Barry married his best friend of 20 years, Jane Huckleberry, December 28, 2001.

He was a longtime member of the Bay Area Church of the Nazarene. His main focus and greatest love in life was the Lord, his family and friends, and helping others. He touched more lives than he could ever realize and will be missed by all.

Barry is survived by his wife, Jane Blake of North Bend; son, Paul Blake and wife, Jill of Eugene; daughter, Pam Blake and husband, Terry Knaus of Dora, Oregon; brother, Steven Blake and wife, Carol of West Boylston, Massachusetts; daughter in law, Carey Blake of Corvallis; 4 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ruth and Gilbert Blake; brother, David Blake; and son, Gilbert Bruce Blake.

Memorial contributions in Barry’s name may be made to the South Coast Hospice, 1620 Thompson Road in Coos Bay.

Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440. Friends and family are invited to sign the online guestbook at www.coosbayareafunerals.com

Stanley L. Gibson

October 16, 1952 – July 16, 2021



Stanley L. Gibson was born October 16, 1952 to Don and Delores (Schultz) Gibson in Portland, Indiana. He passed away on July 16, 2021 in Springfield, Oregon.

Stan began his forty-year career with the fire service as a firefighter in Union City, Indiana. He excelled and became a Training Officer at the Indiana State Fire Marshal’s office. There he proved himself a gifted instructor and was promoted as Director of Training and Education. Later, he took on the position of Chief of Training at Perry Township in Indianapolis, Indiana.

In 1997, he was hired as the Fire Chief of Coos Bay, Oregon, where he served until his retirement in January 2014. He was instrumental in establishing a state-of-the-art fire station in Coos Bay in 2010. He traveled across the US as a nationally recognized instructor with the National Fire Academy and the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation in Emmitsburg, Maryland. During his years in the fire service, Stan was also an active member of the Lion’s Club in both Indiana and Oregon.

When he was not working, Stan enjoyed golfing with good friends and fellow firefighters. He took special interest in race cars, the Yankees and Indiana basketball. Stan was an avid history buff and enjoyed reading biographies as well as books on nonfiction sports and US history.

Stan is survived by his wife, Robin Gibson, of Eugene, Oregon; daughters,

Melissa Gibson Claprodtt of Franklin, Indiana and Jennifer Axsom and husband, Joe Axsom of Franklin, Indiana; step-children, Natalie Gibson and Micah Spiller; grandchildren, Alexis Bay, Abigail Gibson, Aniston and Emerson Axsom, Reece Claprodtt, Erika Paselk, Ali and Abby Timm, and Lucas Spiller; brothers, Rick Gibson and wife, Cheryl of Portland, Indiana and Doug Gibson and wife, Valbona of Portland, Indiana; nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Don and Delores Gibson; twin brother, Steve “Bo” Gibson; and sisters, Vicky Money and Donna Mikel.

A memorial service will be held at Baird-Freeman Funeral Home in his hometown of Portland, Indiana. In lieu of flowers, you may donate to the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation at www.firehero.org or mail a donation to PO Drawer 498, Emmitsburg, MD 21727.

Donna Jean Stillion

April 25, 1938 – December 16, 2020



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

Donna was born April 25,

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

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

“Mom was the most caring, loving, warm hearted, beautiful spirited, family first,

unselfish, mom anybody could ask for, tremendous loss to this family. Un -Replaceable.”

She is survived by her husband, Tom Stillion of Coos Bay; son, Tim and Shanna Stillion of Coos Bay; son, Randy and Theresa Stillion of Springfield; daughter, Pam and Rodney Wood of Elmira; 6 grandchildren; 8 great grandchildren; and sister, Alberta Stout of West Linn.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nelson’s Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

Nathan W. Lakey

July 4 1987 – July 17, 2021



Nathan W. Lakey passed into the arms of Jesus on July 17, 2021. His journey began on July 4, 1987, born to Timothy and Laurie Lakey. Nathan loved playing the guitar, motorbikes, and grilled cheese sandwiches. In the last 7 months of his life he

found Jesus, the love of his life, and the children he never had. He died peacefully a happy man which is a comfort to those he left behind.

Nathan is survived by his mother, Laurie Lakey; father, Tim (Derria) Lakey; brothers, Nicolas Lakey, Jakob (Kristal) Paysen, Ethan Paysen, and Brandon Searfoss; sister, April (Gina) Hill; grandparents, Rose and Glen Cox, Walter Wayne Hardman, Phyllis Lakey; joys of his life, Miranda Davis, Grayson and Emaleah; several aunts, uncles, cousins and numerous friends will also feel the void he has left behind.

Funeral Service will be on Friday, July 30, 2021, 1:00

pm at Grace International Church, Bothwick and “A” St. in Myrtle Point. Anyone who wishes will be invited to share memories of Nathan. Burial will follow at Myrtle Crest Memorial Gardens in Coquille. Following the burial, all are invited to share a meal and celebrate Nathan’s life with the family at Sturdivant Park in Coquille.

Online remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at www.westrumfuneralservice.com

Arrangements are under the direction of Amling/Schroeder Funeral Service – Coquille Chapel, 541-396-3846

Lance D. Barton

April 18, 1953 – March 10, 2021



Lance D. Barton, 67, of Coquille, passed away March 10, 2021 in Coos Bay, after a long battle with cancer and related health issues. A celebration of life will be held at 2 pm, Sunday, August 1, 2021 at Laverne Park, 61217 Fairview Road in Coquille.

Lance was born April 18, 1953 in North Bend, Oregon to Glen and

Georgia Barton. He grew up in Greenacres and attended Marshfield High School. He married Cheryl (Applegate) Barton on February 14, 2013. His strong work ethic and desire to care of his family led him to spent most of his life as a log truck driver until his retirement in 2018. He treasured the times he spent hunting and enjoyed nature, especially the woods. He always enjoyed traveling and most cherished spending his time with family.

He is survived by his wife, Cheryl, of Coquille; his children, Scott Barton of San Diego, California, Chris Barton and wife, Michelle of Coos Bay, Camee Jensen and husband, Dane of La Grande, Jon

Beickel and wife, Larissa of Central Point; step-children, Jennifer Cameron of Coquille, Darla Baker of Eugene, David Granger of Seattle, Washington, and James Granger of Yucca Valley, California; as well as 16 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. He and Cheryl also fostered many children during the last few years.

Lance always greeted his family and close friends with a warm smile and embracing hug. He will fondly missed and never forgotten.

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

DEAR ABBY By Abigail Van Buren

YOUNG ADULT STRUGGLING AS A FULL-TIME CAREGIVER

DEAR ABBY: I’m 23 years old and caring for my two grandparents. My dad, their only son, lives with them, but avoids them at all costs, no matter how much I beg him to help. He causes more problems than he solves. I graduated from college last year, but because of all the doctor appointments, nurse visits and the attention they need, there’s no way I can work. My life is completely absorbed in caring for them.

I’m going crazy! They don’t want to leave their home and won’t pay me or anyone else to care for them, but they need round-the-clock care. I’m not asking for help with THEM, I’m asking for help with balance. How can I be a young adult and full-time caregiver? -- IN DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES

DEAR I.D.C.: You can’t. The longer you allow this to continue, the more trapped you will become. Contact senior services and inform them about what’s going on with your dad and your grandparents. Then find a job. I am sure there are many available openings right now. You may have to continue living with your grandparents for a while, but as soon as you can manage it, you should live independently.

As to your father, tell him that if he doesn’t accept at least some of the responsibility for his parents’ care, you will report him to adult protective services for neglect. It may not make you popular, but if you don’t assume control of your future, you will become increasingly isolated.

DEAR ABBY: I have a strong, healthy bond with my 5- and 8-year-old daughters. When the older one was 6, my wife taught her not to let me see her naked when using the bathroom and bathing. That broke my heart. I’m

OK with it now, but my wife is now discouraging them from sitting on my lap. I’m a loving and responsible dad, and I would never do any harm to my kids, or do the things my wife thinks I will do. What should I do? -- NOT TRUSTED IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR NOT TRUSTED: What you should do is discuss with her the reasons for her fears about the safety of your daughters. The answer may be that when she was small, she was molested by a male relative she trusted. There is nothing wrong with 5-year-old and 8-year-old girls sitting on their father’s lap. What is troubling is your wife’s reaction to it.

DEAR ABBY: My husband of six months (whom I do not live with) refuses to agree not to contact his ex-girlfriends. He refuses to send me copies of emails or texts from them, and won’t agree to allow me to send a polite, but firm, email requesting they stop contacting him, even though his therapist said it was OK to send. What should I do? -- DISTRUSTFUL IN NEW YORK

DEAR DISTRUSTFUL: The person you married clearly isn’t ready for the responsibilities of being a husband. Ask him if he’s willing to meet with a licensed marriage and family therapist. If he is unwilling, talk to a lawyer about an annulment. If you do, you may save yourself years of frustration and heartache.

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

SERVICE NOTICES

A celebration of life will be held for **Marvel Jean Torres**, 83, of North Bend, on Sunday, August 1st at 2:30 p.m. at the Shore Acres State Park Pavillion. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440, coosbayareafunerals.com.

A graveside service for **Curtis P. Porter**, 92,

of Elko, NV formerly of Coos Bay died July 13, 2021 in Elko will be held Friday, July 30, 2021 at Ocean View Memory Gardens 1525 Ocean Blvd. NW Coos Bay under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel 685 Anderson Ave. 541-267-3131. www.coosbayareafunerals.com

Celebration of Life for **Robert “Bob” Crim**, 53, of Coquille will held on Sunday, August 1, 2021 at 1:00 pm at the Coquille High School Football Field. Online remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at www.westrumfuneralservice.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of Amling/Schroeder Funeral Service - Coquille Chapel, 541-396-3846

DEATH NOTICES

Donald Boyd Ivy, 70, of Coos Bay, passed away July 19, 2021 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 coosbayareafunerals.com

Jerry D. Phillips, 70, of Coos Bay, died July 20, 2021 in Springfield. Arrangements are pending with Amling/Schroeder Funeral Service - Coquille Chapel, 541-396-3846

Nancy Jean Wiest, 78, of North Bend, passed away July 20, 2021 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 coosbayareafunerals.com

Katherine “Kathy” L. Moore, 67, of North Bend, passed away on July 19, 2021 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440, coosbayareafunerals.com.

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Babe Ruth tournament kicks off Tuesday in North Bend

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Rob Laskey has spent many summers taking South Coast Babe Ruth teams to regional tournaments in various parts of the Northwest, including several other states and Canada. He often wondered what it would be like for one of those tournaments to be here.

This week, that happens when South Coast Babe Ruth hosts the Pacific Northwest Babe Ruth Regional for the 14-year-old prep age group, starting Tuesday at Clyde Allen Field in North Bend.

"This is nice," Laskey said. "I'm not coaching or managing this group, but being president of the league, I don't have to go anywhere, which is nice."

A total of eight teams from Oregon, Washington and Idaho are in town for the tournament, which continues through Saturday, when a champion will be crowned, earning a trip to the Babe Ruth World Series in Ottumwa, Iowa.

Normally, 10 teams would be included in the regionals, but the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has kept Canadian clubs from taking part this year.

The South Coast squad features a mix of players from the Babe Ruth programs in several cities and has a chance to do well, Laskey said.

"It's a good group of kids," he said. "They're fundamentally sound. We're putting a strong team in it as host."

While the South Coast All-Stars in the 14-year-old division are playing host at Clyde Allen Field, South Coast Babe Ruth is sending teams to the 13- to 15-year-old Pacific Northwest regionals and the 13-year-old prep regionals, continuing a trend of the area qualifying multiple all-star teams for the regional events.

The 13- to 15-year-old event is in Kelso, Wash., with the winner advancing to the World Series in El Paso, Texas. The 13-year-old prep tournament is at Bellingham, Wash., with the winner advancing to the World Series in Jamestown, N.Y. It's the 40th year for that age group to have its own World Series.

Rosters for the three teams are included below.

Hosting has been a dream of many around South Coast Babe Ruth.

"It's something our past president, Walter White, way back in 2015 started the conversation that Clyde Allen needs to host a regional some day," Laskey said.

That year was supposed to be 2020, but the pandemic canceled all the Babe Ruth regionals that year.

So local organizers have had a lot of time to prepare.

"We've known about it for a year and a half," Laskey said.

"A bunch of us on the board of directors have been to regionals over the years and (American) Legion state and Legion regionals, so we've tried to take a little bit of everything that we've seen for the last 10 or 12 years and put a little into this."

Unfortunately, because of the pandemic, they weren't able to do everything they hoped. The national Babe Ruth organization said the tournaments couldn't hold opening banquets or big opening ceremonies.



14-year-old team: 1st Row L-R: Sebastian Smith, Mathias Wilson, Bat Boy- Blaze Wheeling, Joel Sissel, Maximus Reynolds 2nd Row L-R: Coach Derek Wells, Caden Hunt, Jordan Thompson, Aryan Wright, James Curley, Aiden Nelson, Luke Wheeling 3rd Row L-R: Coach Ted Bennison, Billie Massey, Lucas Folau, Syllas Gorder, Coach Franklin Curley, Manager Mark Wheeling

There will be an abbreviated opening ceremony of sorts Tuesday night, before the final game of the evening. At 6 p.m., all eight teams will be introduced and line up along the field in the stadium.

The eight teams have been placed into two four-team pools for the event, with South Coast in the National Division with the Brewster Farmers of Washington, the Centerfield Mudcats of Washington and The Dalles, the North Oregon state champion.

The American Division includes the Puyallup Blue Jays of Washington, Sandy, the Centerfield Roosters of Washington and Caldwell, Idaho.

Games will be played at 9 a.m., noon, 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, with South Coast in the late game each night.

On Friday, the fourth-place teams from each division face off for seventh place at noon, followed by the second-place team from the American Division vs. the third-place team from the National Division. The final game of the night features the second-place team from the National Division against the third-place team from the American Division at 6 p.m.

The winners of the two latter games advance to Saturday when they face the two division champions to set up the ultimate championship game at 3:30 p.m.

No admission will be charged for the tournament and the Clyde Allen Field concession stand will be open throughout the event.

Tournament Schedule

Tuesday: Centerfield Mudcats vs. The Dalles, 9 a.m.; Puyallup vs. Centerfield Roosters, noon; Sandy vs. Caldwell, 3 p.m.; Brewster vs. South Coast, 6 p.m.

Wednesday: Caldwell vs. Puyallup, 9 a.m.; The Dalles vs. Brewster, noon; Centerfield Roosters vs. Sandy, 3 p.m.; Centerfield Mudcats vs. South Coast, 6 p.m.

Thursday: Puyallup vs. Sandy, 9 a.m.; Brewster vs. Centerfield Mudcats, noon; Centerfield Roosters vs. Caldwell, 3 p.m.; The Dalles vs. South Coast, 6 p.m.

Friday: Fourth-Place teams, noon; National 3 vs. American 2, 3 p.m.; American 3 vs. National 2, 6 p.m.

Saturday: National 1 vs. N3/



13-year-old team: Front Row L-R: Noah Blossch, Christopher Hooper, Will Johnson, Matthew Swank Middle Row L-R: Coach Jerry Johnson, Coach Mike Blankenship, Logan Shipman, Jacob Mann, Micah Blankenship, Tharin Johnson Back Row L-R: Braeydon Caldera, Jordan Pitcher, Brayden Gunn, Logan Knapp, Jake Sproul, Hayden Thompson, Manager Scott Moffitt, Coach Jacob Thompson



13- to 15-year-old team: Front Row L-R: Kris Campbell, Riley Murphey, Jonny Calvert, Weston Moffitt, Billy Reynolds Middle Row L-R: Eaden Mead, Kenny Gould, Peyton Forester, Damion Cano, Coach Jacob Post Back Row L-R: Manager Michael Campbell, Armando Galvin-Mendez, Andrew Jenson, Canyon Luckman, Sam Mickelson

A2 winner, 9:30 a.m.; American 1 vs. A3/N2 winner, 12:30 p.m.; championship, 3:30 p.m.

The South Coast 13- to 15-year-old All-Stars tuned up for the Pacific Northwest Regionals by winning the Southern Oregon State Tournament last weekend.

South Coast faced off against South Douglas County in a best-of-three series for the state title, with both teams advancing to the

Pacific Northwest Regionals.

As it turned out, South Coast only needed two games to advance, winning 21-2 in the opener and 11-5 in the second game.

Jonathan Calvert had a single, double and triple and scored four runs in the first game. Billy Reynolds had four singles and four runs. Armando Galvin-Mendez, Canyon Luckman, Kristopher Campbell and Eaden Mead

scored two runs each.

Sam Mickelson hit a three-run homer in the victory. Pitcher Andrew Jensen-Norman allowed just two runs and struck out six in the six-inning victory.

The second game went the full seven innings, but South Coast was in control from the start.

Mickelson had a triple and scored three runs. Reynolds also had a triple and scored twice.

Youth soccer registration opens

Coos County Youth Sports has opened registration for the fall soccer season and parents are encouraged to sign up their students early to take advantage of discounts and the league can schedule as many games as possible.

"Our nonprofit organization has grown every season and teams fill up fast," organizer Kevin Dubisar said. "This extra registration time will allow for more families to prepare and for teams to get locked in so we can

get more soccer in."

Last spring and fall, the organization had about 40 teams over all the age groups.

The league is open to players ranging from kindergarten through high school. Practice starts in September and games run into early November.

People can sign up at www.cooscountyouthsports.com or through the organization's Facebook page, Coos County Youth Sports.

Bartholomew wins two state titles



Bartholomew wins two state titles. Gold Coast Swim Team member Benjamin Bartholomew won a pair of state titles at the recent state championships. Bartholomew, who is 8, won age-group titles in both the 50-meter backstroke and 50-meter freestyle at the 10-and-under Long Course Championships on July 10. He was timed in 44.44 seconds for the backstroke and 41.44 seconds for the freestyle.

To the neighbors, friends and frontline heroes who have been in our corner this year, we appreciate you more than words can say!

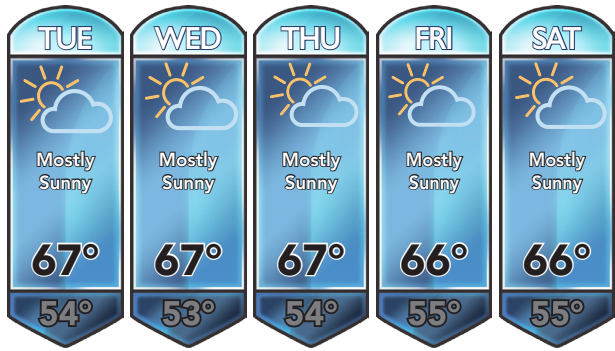
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Kroger	39.73	39.89	NASDAQ opened at	14,684.60	
Microsoft	286.14	289.67	NASDAQ closed at	14,836.99	
Nike	163.68	166.36	S&P 500 opened at	4,367.48	
NW Natural	51.05	51.95	S&P 500 closed at	4,411.79	
Skywest	39.82	39.39			
Starbucks	122.63	125.97	Provided by Coos Bay Edward Jones		
Umpqua Hlds	18.11	18.33			
Weyerhaeuser	34.17	34.58			

LOTTERY

MegaMillions	Powerball
July 23	July 24
13-17-19-40-69	1-4-11-59-67
Megaball: 17	Powerball: 10
Multiplier: x3	Multiplier: x2
Jackpot: \$153 million	Jackpot: \$186 million
Megabucks	Win For Life
July 24	July 24
5-22-30-32-37-41	6-17-47-68
Jackpot: \$5.8 Million	



This week in Coos County history: July 27-30

100 YEARS – 1921

Vessel will be back next month
Jack Carter of the North Bend writes his father

Emil Mattson is going for another trip and will be a second mate on schooner

The Coos Bay young men who are in the schooner North Bend which went to Peru are to be home about the middle of August according to a card mailed at Lima, Peru, and written by Jack Carter to his father Marshall J.W. Carter.

The card was mailed June 29 and was received here yesterday. It says:

“We leave for home today. It will take from 40 to 90 days going back but we expect to get home about the middle of August. Emil Mattson is going again as second mate. Both of our mates quit us.”.

Nemerif opens to large crowds
Firemen pleased with initial attendance on opening nights — many improvements made in Masonic

The Nemerif theatre opened to capacity houses Friday and Saturday evening with their big attraction “The Woman God Changed.” Again last evening they drew big audiences in spite of the lull from the midsummer Sunday outings.

The firemen and Manager Albert Seelig have received many compliments on the opening production and on the changes made in the Masonic building.

One of these is the new fireproof drop curtain with the Firemen’s monogram on it. The entire interior has been overhauled and made more attractive the color scheme being made restful to the eyes.

The entrance has been changed, making it more convenient in entering and as an exit.

“Our object is to give the best pictures possible,” said Manager Seelig today. “We want to please the public and give them as up-to-date a showhouse as any city can boast of. We have secured the Paramount, the Greater Features, the Pathe, the Equity and Metro films.

“We have also secured Martin’s orchestra as an added feature. We are going to feel our way and make such changes as the patrons desire — our constant aim will be to please the public.”

Arrest showmen at North Bend

Three operators of side shows in the Browning Midsummer Carnival were

arrested for violation of city ordinances. S. Fielding and Ed. Smith were charged with setting up and managing a lottery, and maintaining a gambling scheme, in which they sold chances on a wheel for Kewpies. Both men pleaded guilty and paid fines of \$35 each. Mike Rogontino was also arraigned for maintaining a shooting gallery without a license and paid a \$10 fine.

A license to operate the gambling wheel had been previously refused, so that the fines for operating were made unusually heavy.

May move chair factory to bay

J.F. Wendling figures on site for factory

Now making school desks and may add opera chairs and clothing chests to line

J.F. Wendling, who was formerly engaged in the tie and pole business at Bandon, but who has been engaged in the manufacture of school desks, etc., at Portland for the last four years, is here today considering a plan for moving his plant to Coos Bay. They suffered a loss at Portland by fire and he thinks that they would be better off here near the source of supply of their materials.

They have been buying considerable veneer from here and think they can get a price on the small lumber used at the mills. He also figures that the cost of shipping from here would be less as they plan to enter the California field as well as the northwest states.

He is considering the old Marshfield shipyard plant which can be put in shape quickly for them.

In addition to the school desks and supplies, he is figuring on going into the opera chair, clothing chest and folding chair game.

50 YEARS – 1971

Police cadets win praise from Oregon coast

Last summer’s successful police cadet program which won countless friends along Oregon’s coast, has been more than doubled this year.

Since June 15, 35 21-year-old college men have been aiding Oregonians and tourists, and enforcing state laws from one end of the Oregon coastline to the other.

The men, who wear an official State Police uniform but don’t carry firearms, assisted 1,244 persons last summer, when they were first used to help patrol Oregon’s beaches.

The letters of praise coming in to Police

Supt. Holly Holcomb have uniformly commended the young cadets for their courtesy and help.

“We were able to enjoy a safe and quiet summer,” said one. Another coastal property owner wrote “We have enjoyed many beach walks because of the presence of these fine officers.”

200-year-old anchor found off Coos coast; ends costly losses

An immense rusty anchor from the ocean depths off Horsfall Beach in Coos County has dredged up fresh speculation on the sinking of a Spanish galleon and ended costly losses of fishing nets for Bay Area fishermen.

Kenneth Disrude was fishing aboard his commercial dragboat Rascal Saturday morning about a mile off Horsfall Beach when his net hung up on the bottom. He started dragging in his net and the stern of the 60-foot boat kept going deeper and deeper.

With his net nearly in, he discovered the thing that has had dragboat operators spooked for years — a gigantic anchor.

A majority of the Charleston fishermen speculate the anchor is from an ancient sailing vessel — Possibly from a legendary Spanish galleon which is believed to have sunk off the Southern Oregon coast about 200 years ago.

Rust samples were taken by a University of Oregon geologist who reports the metal to be some 230 years old.

“About every dragboat in the bay has lost a net on the anchor at one time or another,” Mrs. Emery Hanson said. The anchor was lifted from the Rascal by a wrecker and placed in front of the Hanson’s Landing building in Charleston. “Every time a fisherman lost a net on the anchor it cost between \$1,000 and \$1,500 to replace it. Fishermen will be happy to see it out of the ocean,” she said.

20 YEARS – 2001

Looney wins decathlon at big meet
Track & Field: Pre Track Club athlete also meets qualifying standard for junior national meet

Pre Track Club athlete Ben Looney claimed the decathlon title at the National Junior Olympic meet in Sacramento, Calif., Wednesday.

Looney who will be a junior at Marshfield High School, set a new personal best

with a total of 6,079 points in the 10-event competition to easily beat a field of about 20 other qualifiers in the intermediate division (15- and 16-year-olds).

With the total, he also qualifies for next year’s junior national meet, the top high school meet in the country.

“It was really hot (about 95 degrees),” said Pre Track Club coach Fran Worthen. “He just hung in there and knew what he wanted to do with each event.”

Looney, who won the regional championship near Seattle two weeks ago, had personal bests in at least half of the 10 events, Worthen said.

He improved by more than a second to 16.0 seconds in the 110-meter high hurdles, nearly hit his best by clearing 11-9 in the pole vault, and finished strong with a bit PR in the 1,500, the final event of the grueling, two-day competition. Looney ran that race in 4:34.4.

“He already had first place locked in, but he won the 1,500 by about 40 meters,” said Worthen, who said Looney was driven by his goal of qualifying for junior nationals.

Bay Area headed for Legion playoffs

Baseball: Rams get split in Medford to clinch third place in Area IV

The Bay Area Rams are going to the American Legion baseball playoffs.

The Rams beat Medford in the first game of a doubleheader Thursday night to clinch third place in Area IV.

Bret Fitzgerald struck out Tony Conklin looking with two outs and the bases loaded in the seventh inning to preserve an 11-8 win for the Rams in the opener Thursday. The Mustangs already had scored four times in the inning before the final dramatic out.

Medford used six runs in the sixth inning of the nightcap to come from behind and beat Bay Area 10-7.

But that game didn’t matter after Bay Area’s win in the opener.

Bay Area will play the first-place team from Area III when the playoffs begin on Aug. 2. The teams will play a three-game series, with the first and third games for Bay Area coming on the road. The Rams have fared well against three teams from Area III — Eugene Allsports, Springfield Woolleys and Corvallis — winning eight of nine games this season.

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

Chief

From A1

Fund, the Antone Minthorn Economic & Community Development Award and the Oregon Heritage Commission’s Heritage Excellence Award. Most recently, Southwestern Oregon Community College honored him in May as its 2021 Distinguished Alumnus.

As chief of the Coquille Tribe, he served on the seven-member Tribal Council and was the tribe’s cultural and spiritual spokesman. In honoring his wishes, the tribe will hold a special election to choose his successor.

North Bend Mayor Jessica Engelke said hearing the news of Ivy’s passing was sad for herself and the community.

“I am deeply saddened by the news of Chief Don Ivy’s passing,” Engelke said. “The city of North Bend offers it sincere condolences. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family, friends and the Coquille Indian Tribe. Chief Ivy’s leadership and dedication to his culture was strong and full of heart. His passing will leave a deep void in our community.”

Oregon Gov. Kate Brown also expressed her condolences after learning of Ivy’s death.

“I was incredibly saddened to learn of the passing of Chief Don Ivy today. For many years, I counted him as a friend and trusted advisor, turning to him most recently to serve on Oregon’s Racial Justice Council – the mission of which aligned with his life’s work: dismantling the structures of racism that have created disparities in our society,” Brown said. “A leader and a scholar, he dedicated his life to righting those wrongs, as he worked to preserve tribal traditions and to build a more just future for the Coquille people.

“His contributions to the work of the Oregon Tribal Cultural Items Task Force helped our state to make groundbreaking progress in the preservation of tribal items in the possession of state agencies and other public institutions. I was honored in March to recommend he be inducted as a Southwestern Oregon Community College’s Distinguished Alumnus – a college his father helped to create. My heart is with Chief Ivy’s family and friends today, and with all the people of the Coquille Tribe.”

A memorial service will be held in The Mill Casino-Hotel’s Salmon Room at 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25.

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First American female Olympic Champion never knew it

Golfer Margaret Abbott thought she was competing in local competition

By TOM EMERY

She broke barriers in an era when few noticed. And she went to her grave never knowing that she was an Olympic champion.

Margaret Abbott of Chicago was the first American woman to win an Olympic event, capturing first place in women’s golf at the second of the modern Games, in Paris in 1900. Incredibly, she thought she was competing in a local amateur event, and not in the Olympics.

The scenario may be attributed to the incompetence of the organizers, as the Paris Games were a resounding failure. In addition, the traditional medals for the top three Olympic finishers – gold, silver, and bronze – were not awarded until the next games, in St. Louis in 1904.

Dr. Paula Welch, professor emerita in Health and Human Performance at the University of Florida, has extensively researched and written on Abbott’s life. She notes that many of the winners at Paris were presented with works of art, not medals.

“At the first modern Olympics, in Athens in 1896, a few medals were given,” said Welch, who has also extensively studied Olympic history. “But I’m not aware of any medals at Paris.”

Like many women golfers of her era, Abbott came from a privileged background. Born in Calcutta on June 15, 1878, she lived in Boston before moving to Chicago with her mother, Mary Perkins Ives Abbott, an accomplished author and essayist for the Chicago Tribune.

Mary Abbott rubbed elbows with the cream of Chicago society, including Charles Blair MacDonald, considered by some the father of amateur golf in the United States. MacDonald was the first president and designer of

the Chicago Golf Club, the first 18-hole course in America, and introduced Mary and Margaret to the game.

“People who knew Margaret describe her as quiet, kind of shy,” commented Welch. “But she was very confident in her golf game. Peers called her a fierce competitor.”

In October 1899, the Abbotts journeyed to Paris, where Margaret was to study art under Edgar Degas and Auguste Rodin. The following year, the World Exposition captivated Paris, and the Olympics were relegated to a sideshow. Sprinkled throughout the long run of the Exposition, the games opened May 20 and closed October 28.

The secondary status disheartened the Baron Pierre de Coubertin, the French founder of the modern games, though he had been pushed out in a power coup with the government. The ignominious exit may have been a blessing in disguise for Abbott.

“de Coubertin was clear in his disapproval of female competitors,” remarked Welch. “Once he was gone, it opened the door for some women to compete. But the organizers hadn’t done anything like the games before, and really didn’t know how, which caused some of the problems.”

Thanks largely to de Coubertin, no female athletes were permitted to compete in the 1896 Games at Athens. Of the 1,225 athletes at the 1900 version, only 19 were women. Golf was one of the debut sports in Paris, and the competition was held at Compiegne Golf Club, 30 miles north of the city.

Ten women from two nations – the United States and France – showed up for the nine-hole tournament October 3. Abbott’s future husband, Chicago satirist Finley Peter Dunne, later said the

other players “apparently misunderstood the nature of the game scheduled for the day and turned up to play in high heels and tight skirts.”

But organizers did not bother to explain the event they were playing in. Believing the outing to be some sort of local amateur event, Abbott carded a nine-hole total of 47 to win by two strokes over fellow American Pauline Whittier, a descendant of poet John Greenleaf Whittier who was studying in Switzerland at the time.

In third place with a 53 was another American, Daria Huger Pratt, who was on vacation in France that fall. Soon after the Olympics, she divorced her husband and married a Serbian prince.

Tying for seventh, 18 strokes off the pace, was Abbott’s mother, Mary. It the only time in Olympic history that a mother and daughter competed in the same event.

“Accounts in world newspapers indicate fairly good crowds saw that event,” said Welch. “Some of the spectators were in so close that the golfers had to alter their shots.”

For her victory, Margaret received a commemorative porcelain bowl, trimmed in gold. She also won the French championship around that time, but never was aware that she was an Olympic champion at any time in her life.

Two years later, she married Dunne. She died in Greenwich, Conn. five days short of her seventy-seventh birthday in 1955.

“In later years, she told family and friends that she thought the competition was more important than the French championship,” said Welch. “But she never knew she had won an Olympic event.”

Neither did her children. “I



Contributed photo
Margaret Abbott was a strong golfer in 1900 when she won the first Olympic golf tournament for women. Despite winning, Abbott never knew she was an Olympic champion.

spent 10 years – not every day, of course – tracking down her golf and Olympic involvement, and searching for her relatives,” said Welch. “This was in the days before the Internet.

“One of her sons, Phillip Dunne, was a screenwriter for

Twentieth Century Fox,” continued Welch. “I asked him, ‘do you know what your mother did?’ and he was just amazed. He had no idea whatsoever.”

Golf returned once more to the Olympics in 1904, but only as a men’s event.

Oregon’s classic salmon license plate gets a new look

Oregonians will soon have a choice about how they display their support for salmon habitat. A new salmon license plate design will be available September 1st, or Oregonians can opt for the classic salmon license plate until August. Lowest-numbered new plates will be available through a special auction in cooperation with Oregon nonprofits that support salmon habitat restoration.

The Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board and Oregon Parks and Recreation Department first debuted the salmon plate in 1998. Revenue from the specialty plate protects and restores native salmon habitat. To date over \$8 million of salmon plate funding has been invested in Oregon.

“When coupled with voter-dedicated investments from the state’s Lottery, this plate allows salmon supporters to show their true colors and invest in a worthwhile cause – healthy salmon habitat,” says Meta Loftsgaarden, Executive Director of the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board.

The original plate was

one of the earliest custom designs available in Oregon, and the new design is a colorful upgrade, showing spawning salmon in a clear, cool stream. The new art was created by Gretchen Kirchner, an amateur artist and former graphic designer for Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board. The public can continue to order the classic plate design before they retire in August and can keep the classic plates on their car if they choose, while still supporting habitat projects.

To launch the new salmon license plate, the Oregon Conservation Partnership (ORCP) is hosting a Salmon Plate VIP List Auction using eBay. On July 20, 2021, members of the public can go to <https://www.ebay.com/> and search for “Coalition of Oregon Land Trusts Salmon License Plate.” The auction allows bidders to secure low number spots on the VIP list for plate numbers SM 00001 through SM 00020 when the new plates are released. Bids must be placed by 5:00pm on July 30, 2021 to be eligible. Proceeds



from the auction will benefit statewide non-profit organizations who strongly support on-the-ground salmon recovery in Oregon.

The new plates will be available for passenger vehicles through the Oregon Department of Transportation’s Driver and Motor Vehicle Services (DMV) beginning September 1, 2021, but when and how Oregonians apply for the new plate matters. To

guarantee landing the new salmon plate design, vehicle owners need to apply in person, online at DMV2U, or by mail on or AFTER September 1. Orders online or in person

before August 31 will receive the classic plate. More information about the new Salmon License plate, and auction rules and eligibility, is available at [orsalmon-](https://orsalmon-plates.com)

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Man jailed for parole violation

On July 14, at about 6:14 p.m., the Coos County Sheriff’s Office responded to South Powers Road, mile post 1, in response to a single vehicle motor vehicle accident. Upon arrival, it was determined the operator of the vehicle had rolled the vehicle after

leaving the roadway and going up an embankment. The operator, 32-year-old Remington Siegrist admitted to having consumed alcohol. After conducting standardized field sobriety tests, it was determined Siegrist was not impaired to a noticeable and per-



Remington Siegrist

ceptible degree and was therefore not arrested for driving under the influence of intoxicants.

However, Siegrist is on parole and one of his stipulations is that he is not to consume alcohol. Siegrist was ultimately arrested for a probation violation per his parole officer and transported to the Coos County Jail. Siegrist provided a breath sample which showed him to have a BAC of .05%.



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Oregon State Parks recently announced a new kayak launch has been installed at the Eel Lake Boat Ramp.

Travel Southern Oregon Coast announces the kayak launch opening at Eel Lake

Oregon State Parks recently announced a new ADA Accessible kayak launch has been installed at Eel Lake Boat Ramp at Tugman State Park. Partners are pleased to be able to provide better access to Eel Lake so people of varied ability levels can enjoy a peaceful paddle. This freshwater lake is an ideal location for paddling because of its boating speed limit of 10

mph., and paddlers may spot osprey, crane, eagle, deer and other wildlife. The official opening of the new ADA Accessible launch was held on July 7, and the Oregon State Parks encourages kayak enthusiasts to utilize the launch to enjoy Eel Lake, while using all safety precautions. The kayak launch was made possible through a partnership with the Oregon State Parks, The

Oregon Coast Visitors Association, Travel Oregon, Tenmile Lakes’ Basin Partnership, Family Ford Foundation and Travel Southern Oregon Coast. The newly added kayak launch is the one of several ADA launches to be constructed on the Southern Oregon Coast. Installation was completed by Johnson Rock, Brock Concrete, Ptarmigan P Trails, LLC and Coast Pavement Maintenance.

Additional Donations for this project were made possible by Cascade Pacific Resource Conservation and Development, Lakeside Kayak Ladies, O’Byrian Advanced Dentistry and Coos County Board of Commissioners. This paddle launch is the third of many upcoming launches on the Southern Oregon Coast, through Travel Southern Oregon Coast’s strategic plan.



U.S. Forest Service

A portion of South Jetty Road showing one of the areas where the road is being threatened by erosion. This section of the South Jetty Road, just south of the crab dock, will be rerouted further from the Siuslaw River.

Construction work necessary to provide safe access to Carter Lake Campground

“Thanks to funding from the Great American Outdoors Act, we will be able to make important road repairs this year,” said Michele Holman, Central Coast district ranger. “South Jetty Road in particular has been difficult to maintain for the last few years as the river current and ocean tides are slowly eating away at the road. We’re looking forward to getting both of these roads fixed so visitors can continue to enjoy these areas safely.” Construction for the South Jetty Road project is expected to begin August 16 and finish in late October, crucial timing to ensure all the work can be completed ahead of fall and winter storms and high tides. Visitors will have access to beach access points 1 – 5 and South Jetty and Goosepasture OHV staging areas throughout most of the construction period. Sites north of beach access #5, which includes the crab dock and two additional beach access points, will be closed to all traffic (vehicle, bicycle, foot) for the duration of the project. The entire road will be closed

for up to a week, likely in October; the timing of that closure will be posted online once the dates are identified by the contractor. See map for locations. In addition to the South Jetty Road repairs, the Great American Outdoors Act is helping fund repairs of the Carter Lake Campground access road. Starting September 7 and ending in late October, Carter Lake Campground Road will be closed, along with the campground, Carter Lake Day Use and Carter Dunes trailhead. Visitors will be able to access the Carter Dunes Trail by foot from the Taylor Dunes Trailhead, which will remain open for most of the construction period. Parking at the Taylor Dunes trailhead may be limited by construction equipment; the trailhead will close entirely for approximately two weeks, likely in October. Closure dates will be posted online as soon as they are known. For information about either road project, please call the Central Coast Ranger District at 541-271-6000.



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North Bend Mayor Jessica Engelke, left, introduces Library Director Haley Lagasse during a press conference where Lagasse announced the library received a grant to hire a social worker.

NB library receives grant to hire social worker

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In the coming months, libraries in North Bend, Coos Bay and Lakeside will begin offering a service that could have a big impact on the community.

Haley Lagasse, library director at the North Bend Library, announced Wednesday the library received a \$158,000 grant to hire a social worker to help community members access care and other things they need.

The grant came from the Institute of Museum and Library Services through the Library Services and Technology Act, administered by the State Library of Oregon.

When Lagasse wrote the grant application, she intentionally added Coos Bay and Lakeside to the grant because she felt a social worker could benefit all three communities.

“Social services are a regular part of what we support the community with in the library,” Lagasse said.

She said when the library was working on a strategic plan, many community members said they would like to be able to access social services while visiting the library.

The grant was approved last week, and Lagasse said the hard work is just starting.

“We have a lot of work to do to get it off the ground,” she said. “But we hope to get it started in the fall.”

Lagasse said her goal is to partner with an existing practice to find a mental health professional to fill the position. That person would then have hours in the libraries in North Bend, Coos Bay and Lakeside every week.

They would be available to meet with library guests and help them do things like apply for jobs or find resources such as housing, food, elder care and more. Ultimately, Lagasse said the social worker could offer monthly classes where they bring in community providers to explain how they can help people.

Lagasse said having a social worker on site will have a big impact on the community.

“The library and our staff already interact with people on a daily basis,” she said. “I think it will have a tremendous impact on our community. Having a dedicated presence in the library that serves this purpose means we have someone here who can interact with people on a regular basis before they reach a crisis.”

Lagasse the public libraries in the region have already built a level of trust with the community, which will make it more likely for people to reach out to the new social worker. She said all services will be free and available to anyone in the community.

“In order to receive services, they will just need to visit the library during open hours,” Lagasse said.

Riding

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hold down two jobs.”

Growing up, Galvan picked apples in fields across Oregon. He said that taught him a lot of lessons he still uses.

“I don’t care how difficult things get,” he said. “I will not be the fastest person, I will not be the smartest person, but I will get there.”

After high school, Galvan attended Portland Community College, where he met a professor who changed his life.

“Right now, I hold three degrees, but I can tell you the best money I have ever spent was at community college,” Galvan said. “The best professors are at community colleges. I am passionate about community colleges.”

Galvan said community colleges sometimes get a bad rep from major universities, but he said the two can work together.

“Too often, people want to shoot for the stars,” he said. “We can get to the stars, and we can get to the stars at a place like this. I think community colleges represent a great opportunity for students in the world.”

After riding through a major heat wave, Galvan said he was excited to be on the coast where the temperature was much lower. He said being on the road had been exciting. Even while on his tour, he has also kept up his schedule, teaching three classes via the Internet for Clatsop Community College.

“I’m an active person,” he said. “I need to be moving. I thought, what can I do to combine my love for hiking and biking and my love for students. I thought maybe I can bike to every community college in Oregon.”

When Galvan ends his tour later this week, he will fall one college short, but he will still have finished more than 1,400 miles and visited 16 colleges in July. All the while, he has been raising money through Bandit Riding For Books.



Above: Fernando Rojas Galvan pulls into Southwestern Oregon Community College as college faculty and students greet him. Below: Fernando Rojas Galvan explains why he is riding his bicycle across the state this month.



He said Wednesday, his efforts have raised \$45,000 for Clatsop Community College this summer.

On his tour, he has had only one day off and had ridden as many as 118 miles in one day. He has stayed at motels, camped outside and in a few homes of supporters. As he prepared to leave Southwestern Oregon Community College, he said he was going to enjoy the day.

“Today, I don’t have anywhere to be,” he said. “I’ll ride until my heart is content and I’ll stop. Taking a gander around at my surroundings, it’s just breathtaking.”

He said there have been some extreme challenges on the trip, such as riding up mountain passes into a headwind with the temperature over 100. But there have also been some exhilarating times.

“Do you remember what it’s like to be 12 and go down a hill very fast? That’s what it’s like,” he said. “Riding down the hills has been scary but mostly exhilarating.”

By continuing to teach three English as a second language courses this month, Galvan said his students have been a part of his adventure.

“They know about my travels,” he said. “Some of them are asking me, ‘Teacher Fernando, where are you tonight?’”

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