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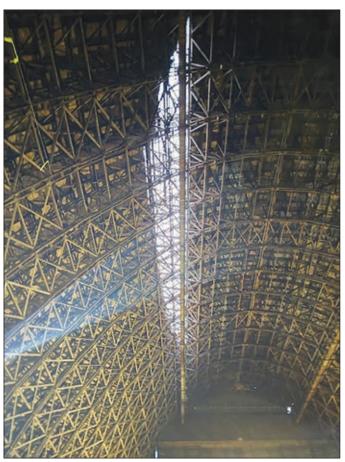
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Wind damage closes Hangar B





A windstorm caused a hole in the roof of Hangar B at the port of Tillamook Bay. Hangar B is closed indefinitely as a fix is determined. Photos courtesy Port of Tillamook Bay

WILL CHAPPELL Headlight Editor

n intense windstorm with Agusts above 50 miles an hour ripped a 200-foot-long section from the roof of Hangar B at the Port of Tillamook Bay on December 16, forcing the closure of the Tillamook Air Museum and other businesses located in the hangar.

Officials from the port are now working to determine the best way to address the issue, though with no insurance on the structure and a six-figure price tag solely to rent scaffolding to address the situation, finding a solution may be challeng-

Roofer Rick Lofton appeared at the port's board of commissioners meeting on December 17, to discuss the damage to the hangar and possible steps forward. Lofton said that he believed the hole on the southeast end of the hangar had been caused by water intrusion creating weakness in the structure, leading to a rip when the high winds caught a saturated piece of material.

The hole is just below the transition point between the convex portion of the hangar and the morevertical portion of the wall, and Lofton said that led him to believe intrusion occurred at the transition point where different water barriers were joined.

Lofton said that there was still debris hanging from the hole and that the port needed to secure the hole to prevent future storms from bringing the entire structure down, adding that any temporary fix would require a rigid cover for the

Port of Tillamook Bay General Manager Michele Bradley said that the incident had caused a tent owned by the port to fill with water and collapse, but that none of the planes underneath had been damaged. Bradley also said vehicles, including RVs, boats and cars, that are usually stored in the area where the damage occurred have been relocated.

Lofton said that he recommended the port find a crane to allow him to better evaluate the damage, remove the hanging debris and devise a temporary measure to repair the hole and minimize further damage.

In the long run, Lofton said that he believed the correct approach was to erect scaffolding around the hole to work on a permanent repair. The scaffolding would need to reach 180 feet into the air, span

the entirety of the 200-foot hole and stand 80-feet wide, which Lofton said would cost at least \$178,000 based on an initial quote. Lofton said that the hole was too high for most cranes in the region to access and that there were no anchor points on the roof, making scaffolding the best option for accessing the

Port commissioners instructed Lofton and port staff to continue fleshing out the possible solutions and set an emergency meeting for December 22, to discuss next steps for both the short- and long-term

With the risk of additional debris falling posing a risk, commissioners also decided to close the hangar until further notice for the Tillamook Air Museum and its other tenants.

Rockway Beach council raises sewer rates

Rockaway Beach's city council voted to raise water rates in each of the next five years at their meeting on December 10, with the first increase of \$3.65 scheduled for January 1.

The following increases will be around \$5 annually and by 2030, residents will pay a rate of \$75.45 monthly for sewer service, as compared to \$50.80 now.

The increase came following a rate study conducted by HDR Engineers, which was presented to council by Josiah Close of HDR at the meeting. Close told council that the city's sewer rate had last been updated in 2009, since which prices have risen more than 50%.

Close said that this left the city's sewer utility in a position where the utility would not be able to cover costs into the future, with revenues for this year projected at \$1.149 million against costs of \$1.198 million. The utility's reserve fund has around \$200,000 to cover the gap between costs and revenues but would be depleted by fiscal year 2027 absent rate increases.

The reserve fund will be used to smooth the rate of increases over the next several years before

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New pedestrian installed in Tillamook

WILL CHAPPELL Headlight Editor

s part of a long-term Awayfinding plan, 16 directional signs for pedestrians were recently installed around downtown Tillamook to guide residents and visitors to local businesses and attractions.

The signs were funded by a \$100,000 grant from the Tillamook Coast Visitors Association and several, especially one at the intersection of Laurel Avenue and Third Street, have caused concern among residents about potential confusion for drivers over apparent conflict with one-way streets.

Tillamook City Manager Sean Lewis said that city staff have not observed any drivers going the wrong way down one-way streets and that they were monitoring the situation, though he noted that he thought the signs were unlikely to be a problem as people become accustomed to them.

"How much is this just new and people are seeing it and noticing it because it's new, but once it's been there for six or eight months and it's not new anymore, is that really going to be a problem," Lewis wondered.

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Adventist surgery expansion progressing

WILL CHAPPELL Headlight Editor

dventist Health Tillamook's Asurgery suite expansion progress is dried in, and crews are working to install utilities in the new space, putting the new building on track for a March 2026 opening.

Once the 4,500 square-foot addition's four operating rooms are open, Skanska USA Building will shift focus to renovating the current surgery suite into pre- and post-operative areas, with that work expected to be complete by next September.

civic advisory board showed that walls in the new building have been framed and sheet rock hung, and work on installing other utilities was well underway. The \$18 million project broke ground in fall 2024 and was initiated to meet expanding needs and fix a foundation issue with the existing operating rooms, which were built in 1995.

The project received \$1 million in funding from the federal government, with the remainder of its budget being supported by Adventist Health's capital management fund.



Coffin Butte landfill expansion approval buys Tillamook County time

WILL CHAPPELL Headlight Editor

Benton County commissioners approved an expansion of the Coffin Butte landfill located north of Corvallis on November 17, giving the facility capacity to operate for an estimated additional six

That was welcome news for the Tillamook County Solid Waste Program, which transports all 30,000 tons of waste generated in the county annually to the landfill, though Solid Waste Program Manager Justin Weiss said it was still important to continue exploring alternatives to the site. "It's still a short, stopgap measure," Weiss said,

"we've got to really look towards the future and what we're going to do beyond that six years, it could be shorter. Maybe there's another expansion in the future, but eventually we are going to have to find

another resource."

The approval for the expansion of the 178-acre landfill in Adair Village operated by Republic Services came after a July denial of the request by Benton County's planning commission and despite the objections of neighboring property owners concerned

about odor, traffic and pollution. A group of those residents have submitted a notice of their intent to appeal the approval to the Oregon Land Use Board of Appeals. Tillamook County

has used the Coffin Butte Landfill to dispose of the

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"We don't want to do a knee-jerk reaction."

Plans for the signs were first laid out in a 2016 wayfinding plan, developed by the city in conjunction with the county government, Tillamook Coast Visitors Association, the Tillamook Area Chamber of Commerce and consultants from Lennox Insites and Partners in Design. The plan called for the 16 pedestrian wayfinding signs, 12 directional signs for drivers, six new welcome signs, five visit Tillamook signs and ten kiosks at various locations around the city.

Funding those plans has been a challenge for the city, with the new welcome signs installed but none of the other envisioned wayfinding signs paid for until the \$100,000 grant from the Tillamook Coast Visitors Association, funded by transient lodging tax dollars. Lewis said that Tillamook Area Chamber of Commerce President

Justin Aufdermauer had volunteered to manage the purchase and installation of the signs using the grant

According to Lewis the signs' locations were selected to keep costs of installation and maintenance down by siting them on property already owned by the city in the right of way for sidewalks. Lewis explained that the signs had been designed to ensure compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, leading to their height of seven to eight feet to prevent obstructing pathways.

Together, these considerations led to the signs' placement and appearance, which since their installation have caused concern among some residents, who fear that with several of the signs located at intersections with one-way streets but including arrows pointing both directions drivers may be confused.

Lewis said that he was not overly concerned about the issue, noting that the font and symbols on the signs were smaller than those on road signs applying to motor vehicles, meeting require-

ments for street signs laid out in the Manual for **Uniform Traffic Control** Devices

"We trust people to know how to drive, know how to navigate around downtown and know that these signs are geared for pedestrians," Lewis said.

As a proactive step, Lewis said that he would be reaching out to officials at the Oregon Department of Transportation to request that the three one-way signs around the intersection of Laurel Avenue and Third Street be refreshed. Beyond that, Lewis said that staff will monitor the situation and act if neces-

Aufdermauer sounded a similarly optimistic note about drivers' ability to navigate and said that he believed the signs would prove a boon for downtown businesses.

"We understand the initial concerns of some residents," Aufdermauer said, "however, the chamber is confident that the messaging and installation of the pedestrian wayfinding will contribute positively to the visitor experience and spending in downtown Tillamook."



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> Supporters of the Tillamook County Pioneer Museum gathered on December 17, for an afternoon tea and evening gala and silent auction to raise funds to support the museum and conclude its 21st annual festival of trees. Eight trees decorated by community groups and businesses were on display on the museum's first floor and at-tendees were welcomed to explore all the museum's exhibits. Unique silent auctions were up for grabs during both the afternoon tea and evening gala, and Christmas music and refreshments were also on offer. $\$



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majority of solid waste for at least a decade, according to Weiss. Refuse collected at the county's three transfer stations is gathered at the central county station, operated by Averill Recycling, which then transports it to Coffin Butte.

Central county's transfer station was originally a landfill but was capped in the middle of the 20th century, and Weiss said he does not see a new landfill within the county as a viable possibility.

So, when the initial denial of the application was issued this summer, Weiss, his staff and members of the county's solid waste advisory committee began looking for other options to dispose of the county's waste.

Weiss said that those alternatives are limited locally, with the closest landfills aside from Coffin Butte located in eastern Oregon around the Dalles or Boardman. That physical distance would require trash be hauled to the Portland area and placed on trains for shipment, increasing costs. For the moment, that possibility looks to have been forestalled with the expansion approval, but Weiss noted that there is a chance Coffin Butte will stop

accepting waste from agencies outside the local area before the six-year window elapses.

To be prepared when Coffin Butte is no longer available, Weiss said that he would continue looking for alternate solutions but allowed that it was unlikely a new landfill would open west of the Cascades, meaning long-distance transport of waste and higher costs for the county and residents is

"We do want to keep costs affordable and reasonable for Tillamook County residents," Weiss said, "but if we do have to spend more for disposal, that odes typically trickle down if we can't subsidize it somewhere else."

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beginning to be replenished once the rate is fully updated in 2030. Close also said that the rate increase would allow the utility to maintain its debt reserve, which can be used to help pay for future capital projects.

In addition to approving the rate increases, council

also authorized City Manager Luke Shepard to execute an option agreement for the purchase of the lower half of the Jetty Creek Watershed from Nuveen Capital. The two parties had already signed a letter of intent for the city to purchase the 800 acres of forestland at the city's north end that constitutes the lower half of the watershed for Jetty Creek, which is the source of the city's drinking water. The original letter of intent had a deadline of the end of

agreement, which council also authorized Shepard to

The city was awarded a \$1.4-million grant from the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board in July and received news that they had qualified for a loan of up to \$5 million from the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality's Clean Water Revolving Loan Fund, of which the lesser amount between \$2 million and 50% of the watershed's purchase price will be forgivable.



Healthy Happy Holidays

The holidays are a time for joyful gatherings and celebration-let's keep them healthy too. Vaccinations for flu, COVID-19, and RSV are still available-come into the clinic today!

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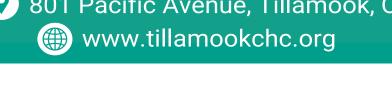
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NEWS

Tillamook County takes first step toward new library space in Beaver

TILLAMOOK COUNTY LIBRARY

Tillamook County has signed a letter of intent signaling its commitment to explore the development of a new library space in Beaver, Oregon. This is a move that could significantly expand library access for residents in South Tillamook County.

The letter of intent is nonbinding and outlines the proposed terms for developing and leasing a library space at 19995 Blaine Road, the former site of Beaver Middle School. If the project moves forward, the approximately 3,000-square-foot library space would include shelving for library materials, public computers and internet access, a community meeting room, and reservable study and workspaces. "This is an exciting opportunity to bring library services closer to residents who currently have more limited access," said Library Director Don Allgeier. "Libraries create more opportunities for residents. Opportunities to learn, connect, and grow together. I am excited for the resources this space will provide to more county residents."

Expanding library access in South County has been a priority for many years. The Tillamook County Library's 2022 Strategic Plan identified the need to better serve communities south of the City of Tillamook. A library space in Beaver would help address this strategic goal by increasing access to programs, technology, and gathering space for residents.

Importantly, the proposed development is being evaluated within the library's existing resources. The library does not anticipate needing additional budgetary resources to operate this new location based on the careful management of existing resources. The Tillamook County Library Foundation will provide financial support for the development of this library space as one of their strategic projects.

While the letter of intent does not finalize the project, it represents a meaningful step forward in reimagining how library services can reach more people, closer to where they live. Further details will be shared as planning and negotiations continue.

Tillamook County Community Health Centers closing Rockaway Beach Clinic

Tillamook County Community Health Centers (TCCHC) is closing their Rockaway Beach Clinic, located inside the Rockaway Beach City Hall building, on December 31, 2025. The last patient clinic day was December 11, 2025. Formal notice was submitted to the City of Rockaway Beach, and notification letters have been mailed to all impacted patients.

This decision follows a careful review by the TC-CHC Health Council and leadership team and reflects long-term trends in patient volume, access needs, and finances. Over the past fourteen years, operations at the Rockaway Beach Clinic were gradually reduced from three days per week to two days per month as patient demand

declined. During this time, other clinics were opened in the north county area. Today, the clinic serves fewer than 60 patients—less than one percent of TCCHC's total patient population.

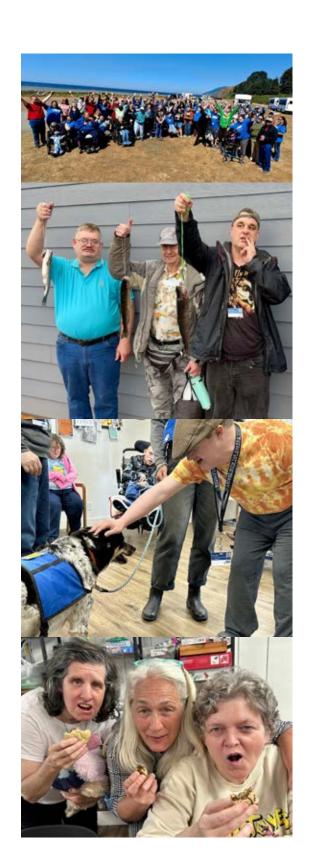
Due to ongoing declines in patient utilization over the years, maintaining operations at this location is no longer prudent. At the same time, access to care in Tillamook has expanded with the addition of the Main Street clinic location and an integrated pharmacy. Access to virtual visits has also expanded, which provides another option for many patients with travel challenges.

TCCHC Administrator
Marlene Putman said, "While closing the Rockaway Beach
Clinic was a difficult decision for everyone involved,

this transition allows us to provide patients with more consistent access to health care providers in our Tillamook locations. We are working closely with patients needing support during this transition."

Although the Rockaway Beach Clinic is closing, all patients can continue receiving their care through TCCHC at the Tillamook Central Clinic, located at 801 Pacific Avenue, beginning January 1, 2026. TCCHC will support patients who need assistance with transportation and will continue to offer virtual visits when appropriate.

Public Health will continue to provide WIC services in North County at a location still to be determined.



"We want to stay local and be involved in our community— banking and investing here, too."

For more than 60 years, Star of Hope has provided meaningful care and opportunities for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. What began in 1964 as a small, home-based alternative care program has grown into a lifeline for families across the South Coast. Today, Star of Hope operates thirteen homes between Coos and Curry Counties, along with a vibrant day-activities center and a comprehensive supported living program, creating places where individuals can learn skills, build friendships, and feel fully connected to their community.

That growth has been steady and intentional. After decades of serving Coos County, Star of Hope expanded into Curry County in 2021, adding two additional homes and broadening access for community members who have long needed more support. Fundraisers like Dancing with the Bay Area Stars have played a key role by raising essential dollars while also bringing staff, residents, and the wider community together.

"We want to grow thoughtfully," said Jason Grabinger, Director of Development at Star of Hope. "Our goal is long-term success." Part of that thoughtful growth included looking for better financial tools to support their expanding programs. When Oregon Coast Bank learned Star of Hope was exploring new banking options, the team stepped in to help.

"Someone at the bank had found an opportunity for Star of Hope to access better rates," Grabinger said. Choosing a local partner was top of mind for the organization, too. "We want to stay local and be involved in our community banking and investing here, too."

Now, as Star of Hope plans for the future—including fundraising for a new building to expand their day, supported living, and in-home support, and administrative space—Oregon Coast Bank is proud to be a partner. Supporting the work of organizations like Star of Hope is one way we continue to invest in the well-being of the communities we call home.



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Concerned by Kirk banners

I am very concerned about there being portraits of Charlie Kirk placed on two buildings downtown. Please ponder the following quotes

To Black Women, "You do not have the brain power to otherwise be taken 'seriously" without affirmative action. You had to steal a white person's slot." He goes on to say that the following women are 'examples' Joy Reid (journalist), Michelle Obama (Fist Lady) and Ketanji Brown Jackson (Supreme Court Justice).

To women in general: "Men deserve to always control their female partners and females should always be submissive to their male partners."

As to Martin Luther King Jr.: He was "awful" and "not a good person", insisting that "We made a huge mistake when we passed the Civil Rights Act in the 1960's.'

Regarding his anti-abortionism: He claimed that he would force his 10-year old daughter to give birth if she were raped.

He was racist, sexist, antisemitic and, I would add, a terrible father. I don't think he deserves to be honored in the heart of our town.

Laurel Thompson

Who Are We?

It's the season for celebrating love and kinship, but really every season of the year we celebrate love of family, friends and neighbors. That's what makes us human. We're social creatures who are cared for, taught and inspired by people in our lives. And we care,

teach and inspire in return. We all need and are needed by each other, no matter our faith, color, gender, family members, country of origin or how much money we

Knowing this, our hearts break for those in many communities across our nation who find themselves afraid, some so afraid they are in hiding. We can't imagine how it must feel to go to a long-held job where we've been doing good and necessary work and be snatched up by masked, unidentified strongmen who detain us for who knows how long at a location unknown to our family. Just disappeared and maybe even imprisoned in a foreign land. How traumatized we would be, as would our family, not knowing what happened, where we were, and if we would ever be returned home. What if as children we came home from school and our parents were gone? How scared and lost we would be.

Is this who we are? Is this the America we love where we value the humanity of every person? We want our hard-working community members leading peaceful lives, whoever they are, to feel safe, to live a life free from fear and trauma. Isn't everyone living here guaranteed fair treatment under the

At this time of year, we come together to celebrate the power of love, to celebrate light over darkness. We live in a country built on light and hope, not darkness and fear and cruelty. It's not about politics; it's about who we are as Americans.

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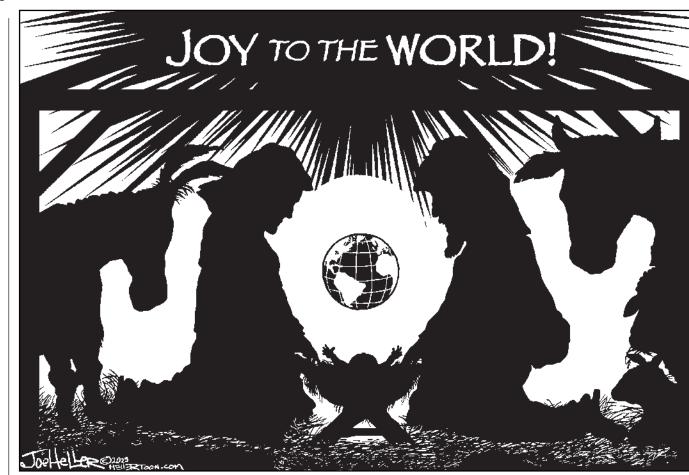
size of your Christmas tree.

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are all 30 feet tall."

— Larry Wilde

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GARDENING MATTERS

Under the mistletoe

A friend recently got back from a trip on the rivers of France, and she couldn't wait to tell me about all the mistletoe she had seen in the trees there. The more we talked, the more I wanted to learn about this intriguing holiday decoration. I went to the internet to explore this plant further.

As we all know, mistletoe, with its bright white berries and evergreen leaves, is an iconic symbol of the holiday season. Its presence above doorways, inviting a kiss, is a beloved tradition in many cultures, particularly in America and Europe. The practice of hanging mistletoe is rooted in ancient customs, folklore and beliefs that have evolved over centuries, making this humble parasitic plant a fascinating subject of history and tradi-

The origins of mistletoe's association with winter celebrations date back to the ancient Celts and Druids. The Druids, a priestly class in Celtic culture, held mistletoe in high esteem due to its perceived healing properties and mystical significance. For them, mistletoe was a sacred plant, often found growing high in oak trees, which were themselves venerated. The Druids believed mistletoe possessed the power to cure illnesses, ward off evil spirits,



and bring good fortune. During the Winter Solstice, they would ceremoniously cut mistletoe from the sacred oaks, using golden sickles, and distribute it among the people for protection and blessings.

The use of mistletoe as a decorative element during winter festivities likely stems from its unique characteristics. While most plants wither during the cold months, mistletoe remains green and bears berries in December, making it a symbol of vitality and renewal. Its ability to thrive in the harshest season inspired hope and was seen as a promise of the return of spring. This symbolism resonated with various cultures, leading to its inclusion in solstice and later Christmas celebrations.

In addition to its Celtic roots, mistletoe features prominently in Norse mythology. According to legend, the god Balder was killed by an

arrow made from mistletoe, the only plant his mother Frigg had overlooked when asking all creatures to promise not to harm her son. After Balder's death, Frigg's tears became the white berries of the mistletoe, and she decreed that mistletoe should bring love rather than harm, leading to the tradition of kissing under the plant as a sign of reconciliation and affection.

As Christianity spread throughout Europe, many pagan customs were integrated into new religious celebrations. Mistletoe, with its longstanding associations with fertility, healing, and protection, became woven into Christmas traditions. By the 18th century, the custom of kissing under the mistletoe had taken hold in England, and it eventually traveled across the Atlantic to America. The rules of the tradition varied: in some places, a man was allowed to kiss any woman standing beneath the mistletoe, and for each kiss, a berry was plucked from the sprig. When all the berries were gone, the kissing was supposed to stop, though in practice - as you might imagine - the festive spirit often prevailed.

While mistletoe is cherished for its festive symbolism, it is important to recognize that the plant has a more cautionary side as well. All parts of mistletoe, particularly the berries, contain compounds such as viscotoxin and phoratoxin, which are toxic if ingested by humans and pets. Consuming mistletoe can lead to symptoms like stomach pain, nausea, vomiting, and in severe cases, more serious complications; therefore, it should always be kept out of reach of children and animals.

In addition to its toxicity, mistletoe is considered a parasitic plant, meaning it attaches itself to the branches of host trees and shrubs, extracting water and nutrients. Over time, heavy infestations can weaken and even kill host trees, making mistletoe somewhat invasive in areas where it spreads unchecked. Its ability to thrive and propagate widely is part of what makes mistletoe both a resilient holiday symbol and a plant to be managed carefully in gardens and natural landscapes.

In modern times, stories of mistletoe still captivate those who travel, as seen in accounts of lush balls of mistletoe adorning trees along the rivers of France. Such sights connect us to generations past, reminding us that even as customs evolve, the magic of mistletoe continues to bridge history and heart, uniting people in celebration

and affection each December.

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OPINION

FENCEPOSTS

The coffee house at the ■ Barbara Bennett Community Center on December 14 had a good turnout, with 23 villagers in attendance. All enjoyed good conversation, good coffee, and good food. Thanks, Steve and Ann Quinn, for putting on this event. The next winter coffee house will be February 15. Mark it on that new 2026 calendar of yours.

Also on December 14, Salty Raven Tillamook hosted a festive holiday party with Santa. Visitors had pictures taken with Santa, some free bubbly and a chance to win a gift basket full of Salty Raven's awesome products: glassware, mugs, tea towels and more, all emblazoned with the signature artwork of

Cape Meares's own Seasons Kaz Sparks. The lucky winner of the gift basket? Spike Klobas. Congrats to Spike and best wishes to Salty Raven for a solid holiday retail season.

Caroling at the commu-

nity center on December 16 had a modest but exuberant attendance of 14. Capt. Pete and I hosted this event, which involved hot beverages, desserts and singing. We were fortunate to be assisted by our granddaughter Julia and her boyfriend, Trae. Those two twenty-year-olds had a great time, especially relishing their role singing "Five Golden Rings" in "The Twelve Days of Christmas." Thanks to all who attended and made it such an enjoy-



able evening, despite the weather.

The weather...yes, another atmospheric river hit December 14-16, just as flood waters were receding from the previous one. Here in Cape Meares, there is a low spot on Bayocean Road a block east of the beach access. Water can be several inches deep there; a highwater sign now marks the spot. Watch for that area plus the intersection of Bayocean Road and the Cape Meares Loop Road, another place water often pools. This last storm set a new wind record of 59 mph at the Steen Weather Station (the season being Labor Day to Labor Day). And winter is just getting started. Hang tight, folks.

The 2025 Winter Whale Watch Week is right around the corner. This event focuses on spotting southbound gray whales as they journey from Alaska to Baja California, Mexico. One of the best places to watch whales is our own Cape Meares Lighthouse. Oregon

State Parks will have trained volunteers at the lighthouse to help visitors spot whales from December 27 through December 31, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. daily. Bring your binoculars and dress for the weather.

Tech trouble? We had some earlier this month and called Evan Bush of Qlty Computer Repair for help. Evan came to our home and got Capt. Pete back online as well as did annual maintenance on both my desktop and Pete's laptop. He also helped me review settings on my cell phone. Other folks here in Cape Meares have had good experiences with Evan's service as well. If you need tech support, you may reach Evan at 971-341-2885 or via email at evan@ql-

tycr.com. He also welcomes walk-ins at his office, 1910 4th Street (near Safeway). Whew, it's nice to know we have help.

Give yourself the gift of a 2026 annual day use parking pass from the Tillamook County Parks Dept. Go online to https://www. tillamookcounty.gov/parks or call 503-322-3522 to buy a pass. Passes are \$55 (discounted to \$45 if you are 65 or older, an Oregon veteran, or an Oregon Trail cardholder). You may also purchase annual fishing and hunting licenses and tags at myodfw. com/ELS. Line yourself up to have some fun in the New Year; Merry Christmas.

s we go to press for As we go to reached. I've used vacation days to travel to Central Oregon where I am house and pet

sitting for daughter Elise and her husband Adam Morrow (Nestucca High School Class of 2001 and 2002 respectively) who're enjoying sunny



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Florida with my grandson Logan and his girlfriend. Besides caring for their dogs and my own Chihuahua Maggie this week, my annual Christmas letter and cards, cookie baking, the lion's share of my gift shopping and wrapping, along with a marathon of baking are all on my to-do list. I've stolen an hour with a bite of lunch within arm's reach to cover Fencepost news.

I hear that congratulations are in order for the Lady Cats, Nestucca High School's girls' basketball team. They beat their county rival, the Neah-Kah-Nie Pirates. It was reportedly a come-frombehind victory on their home court the evening of Wednesday, December 10. The final score was 58 to 54, Nestucca.

Fencepost readers appreciate Pacific City Library



Thrift Shop alerting us that they closed for a winter break after business midmonth. Watch this space to be in-the-know when volunteers announce that the Thrift Store will reopen.

This week KCC serves senior lunches at 11:30 on Tuesday (December 23) and Wednesday (December 24) according to my source for \$3 each. (Others may partake for \$6.) Bingo there is paused until 1-3 p.m. on Thursday, January 8. The address is 34600 Cape Kiawanda Drive in Pacific City. For more information call 971-212-7131 or go to kiwanda.com.

Looking forward to the week between Christmas and New Years, the highest tides of the year, called King Tides, will happen December 27-31 and January 1-4 and make for great storm watching. Just be certain to stay off the beaches for safety.

Winter whale watching is at its peak this same week as more than 20,000 gray whales migrate to warmer waters to the south. Cape Kiawanda Natural Area is among more than two dozen "Whale Watching Spoken Here" sites along the Oregon Coast from Saturday, December 27 through Wednesday, December 31. Some sites have personnel available from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Those locations include Fort Stevens, NeahKahNie Mountain, Cape Meares on the North Coast and Boiler Bay, Depoe Bay, Rocky Creek, Yaquina Head, Yachats State Recreation Area, Cape

Perpetua and Heceta Head on the Central Coast. There are additional sites on the South Coast accessible online.

Tillamook County Transfer Stations offer free recycling of our holiday tree/s through January 22, with a coupon accessible on their website. Google Tillamook County solid waste. In south Tillamook County, Pacific City is the closest such facility; the address is 38255 Brooten Road in Pacific City. Each coupon covers up to two "bare" trees (all decorations must be removed). Pacific City Transfer Station hours are 9 a.m. through 4 p.m. (with a closure for lunch) on Fridays, Saturdays, and Mondays weekly. They're closed January 1 and 16 for national holidays. For more information, call 503-

Merry Christmas dear reader. Happy birthday this week to- Dale Anderson, Christine Chatelain, Gary Hale, Nick Hurliman, Liinda Link, Berklee Ludeman, Robin Richwine, Thorn Simnitt, Molly Spidell and Sara Wagner.

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Well, we really got a good introduction to what an atmospheric river is all about. And as I sit here writing, I can hear the rain coming again. My new power source/solar generator was put to good use running the tv and then refrigerator during the power outage. So, for the last two days I was not too uncomfortable. With a little help from my friends.

Council and GURA met on Monday. GURA approved grants to both the Captain's Corner for their remodeling of that business and to Philip Mashke for work on what used to be Gloria's. It sounds like both businesses are making further improvements to the properties. One at the port and one right on Highway 101. Philip is putting in parking alongside the Belladonna Bead Store. He is dealing with water and foundation problems at Gloria's site. These grants will help our businesses improve their exteriors, making them more inviting to the public.

The council heard two presentations – one from String of Pearls and the other from the city's Planner on the state required middle housing changes. The String of Pearls is an Oregon Enterprise Zone, which extends along the coastline and provides an abatement from property taxes normally assessed on new plant and equipment for a three-tofive-year period. Other tax incentives are available. The City of Garibaldi is included in this agreement as one of several jurisdictions participating in the "String." The Jacobson Salt Company asked to be annexed into the zone; they are about to extend their facilities. As a result, all parties must approve this change; council agreed by resolution. The zone name is also changing to the Tillamook County

The city's contract planner, Scott Fregonse, presented findings related to development code changes required by the State of Oregon. Known as middle housing, these changes would allow development of townhouses, duplexes, triplexes, quadplexes and cottage clusters, as permitted uses. "Other amendments include the addition of a Middle Housing Land Division process, adding new dimensional and design standards for all middle housing developments, and general revisions to modernize the code and ensure consistency and compliance with state housing requirements." The

Enterprise Zone.

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Jess Alyn McFarland Aug. 15, 1935 - Dec. 4, 2025



Jess Alyn McFarland was born in Bay City, OR on August 15, 1935 to Emmett and Mae McFarland. Jess passed away December 4, 2025. He was 90 years old. Jess lived in Bay City

all his life. He worked as a meat cutter for years. He married Peggy Green. They had four children. They divorced. Then in July of 1979 he married Janice Ryen. Jess is survived by his wife Janice McFarland. His four children from his first marriage: Alea Miles, Mitzi Cady and husband Mark, Wendy Hamlin, Jeff McFarland. His step-son Jamie Ryen and wife Sue. His step-daughter Charlene Veek preceded Jess in death. Jess leaves behind 8 grandchildren, four from his first marriage: Jessica, Tausha, Brena, & Jered. Four from his second marriage: Justin, Chealsy, Caleb, & Kaylie. Also 6 great-grandchildren.

Nikki Ann Lee Feb. 23, 1946 – Nov. 15, 2025



Tikki Ann Krauch was born on February 23, 1946 in Pasadena, California. After graduating from University of California, Davis, she married John B. Lee. They later settled in Vacaville, California, where she poured into raising their daughter, and she was also a preschool teacher

for several years. Nikki was

enjoyed baking and cooking.

John and Nikki relocated to

Netarts, on the Oregon Coast

in 2013, where they enjoyed

and also volunteered with the

Tillamook Farmers' Market.

John cherished relaxing trips

to Kauai, Hawaii, and in later

years they were accompanied

on some of these trips by their

passed peacefully on Novem-

by her husband of 56 years,

John of Netarts, Oregon, her

daughter, Kristin Henry and

husband, Craig, and her grand-

children, Matthew and Brian,

all of Hillsboro, Oregon, and

her brother, William Krauch

Ynez, California.

and wife, Christine, of Santa

ber 15, 2025. Nikki is survived

daughter's family. Nikki

For many years, Nikki and

visits from their grandchildren,

forever in the kitchen, and

Ann L. Dunn 1951 - Dec. 6, 2025



nn L. Dunn, 74, of Ann L. Dunn, ..., I Cloverdale, Oregon, passed away peacefully on December 6th, 2025.

Born in Wichita Falls, Texas, Ann was the daughter of Ray and Jewel Little. She spent her childhood in Arizona alongside her siblings, building the foundation of the warm, spirited, and loving woman she would become.

Ann enjoyed a successful career in real estate for more than twenty years and was also a proud business owner at one time. Yet she often said that her greatest and most fulfilling role in life was being a mother and grandmother. Her children were her heart, and she poured love, laughter, and strength into every day she shared with them.

A joyful soul, Ann found beauty in the simple pleasures tending to her flowers in the garden, sharing moments of laughter with the people she loved, and celebrating the holidays,

especially Christmas. Christmas held a special magic for her, and her joy during the season became a cherished tradition for her family. She also treasured the time she spent with her grandchildren, creating memories filled with love, laughter, and the gentle warmth that came so naturally to her.

Each night, Ann ended her day by listening to scripture, finding peace and comfort in her faith. She valued honesty, compassion, and genuine connection. Those who knew her felt the sincerity of her kindness and the warmth of her presence.

She is survived by her loving husband, Ronald Dunn; her sister, Becky and her best friend and cousin, affectionately known as "Crazy Aunt Linda." Ann leaves behind her children Misty, Shelby, Shannon, Tracy and Troy. Stepchildren; Jonie, Tony and Roy as well as her grandchildren Brianni, Chelsea, Makelly, Raeanna, Tanner, Brandon, Jamie, Carson, Scott and Rory and her great-grandchildren Heru. Haven, Elli, Kolton, Chevelle, Raelyne and extended family. Each of them carries a piece of her heart and her legacy of love.

Ann's life was defined by joy, devotion, and an unwavering love for her family. She will be dearly missed and forever remembered. Rest in peace beautiful, we love you Bigger than the Sky!

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Death Notice

Rose Edith Davidson, 93, of Beaver died recently. Rose was born in 1932 and died in 2025. A service is scheduled in Forest Grove at a later date, contact Waud's funeral Home for service details.

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council tabled the hearing until the next council meeting in January 2026. They also requested a map showing where such development might occur. It was a lot to

There was a change in the savings account from noninterest bearing to interestbearing. Most interesting is that staff are proposing a quarterly electronic newsletter, with a mock-up for council to see coming soon. If you are interested, you will need to make sure the

city has your email address. And we come to the city manager's report. This report contains useful information. Like last month, you are invited to tour the wastewater and/or water treatment plants – they are interesting tours: the council took this tour earlier in the year. The wastewater treatment plant is at the port. While there, you can also see jetty rock activity. And look for an ornament. Lots to do at the port.

Pothole repair and trench cut restoration are being per-

formed, weather permitting. Work may begin soon on the South 7th Street project that will be done using SCA funds. (Small City Allotment grant from ODOT.) Recently Public Works staff responded to a sewer back-up on Cypress Avenue and found that items had been flushed that are not flushable. Meaning that the city found things that should not have gone into the toilet. We are again reminded that rags, paper towels and pool balls are not

Unfortunately, the audit for 2022-23 will be postponed for several additional weeks. That does set the city back and they do not expect to have audits completed by the end of the fiscal year. The Finance Director is preparing for the 2023-24 audit, so when requested the documents will be ready.

The process has not stopped. The city is still look-

ing for volunteers for two committees – the Planning Commission and the Charter Review Committee. If you have someone who you think might do a good job on either committee, please encourage them to contact city hall.

The fire department is also continuing to recruit volunteers. This would not be a boring desk job – this would be an active volunteer position, learning skills that would carry you through almost any emergency. The city certainly has need of your help.

As a reminder, the Portside Bistro will be offering Karaoke and dancing for those 21 and older for a Club Bistro night on Saturday, December 27th. This will become a monthly event at the

Bistro. It certainly sounds like fun.

Now is the time to wish you a very Merry Christmas. Drive carefully, stay safe. Take care of each other. Celebrate the season. Have a Merry Christmas.

behind, and just a short walk to the bay and ocean!

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FENCEPOSTS

The power outage that I hit Tillamook County a little after midnight on December 17 affected nearly 14,000 customers, according to the Tillamook People's Utility District (TPUD) web

By the end of the evening, the Rockaway Beach Warming Center at city hall had taken in "between 75 and 80 people," said Captain Geoff Grace of Rockaway Beach Fire and Rescue.

In late 2023, after one of our many power outages left residents in the cold for hours, the city determined that the generator at city hall made the city council chamber an excellent candidate for a warming center.

In January 2024, Captain Grace shared the city's official procedure for opening the warming center. One hour past the initial outage, the warming center will open. It will remain open 24 hours a day until power is restored.

The December 17 outage demonstrated not only how effective this policy is, but also how welcome to residents and visitors alike.

By morning, we determined that the warming center at city hall was the right place to go. City Councilor Mary McGinniss had been there for hours, greeting people and explaining how things worked.

"The city sent me through CERT [Community Emergency Response Training]," Councilor McGinniss said. "This seemed like a good way for them to get their money's worth."

There were two large electric urns, one with coffee and one with hot water for



tea, cocoa and cider. Paper plates offered granola bars, snacks, and other supplies. Several people were already there working on laptops or charging electronic devices.

"I counted 29 people in here this morning," McGinniss added as we arrived. That number would go up to more than 35 by the time we left

Captain Grace was in contact with TPUD to track the estimated time power would be restored. At one point in

mid-day, he let us know that TPUD was calling for at least an additional 3 to 5 hours of

By noon the rain had abated, so we headed into town to see what was open for lunch. Rick's Roadhouse had their generator running, as did Big Shaun's Smashburgers in the Bayocean Food Court, but we opted for the extra warming and always festive atmosphere of El Trio Loco, where owner Al Bautista was helping staff (and justifiably proud of the opening of their fourth location in Garibaldi).

We returned home and brought some of our emergency preparedness gear out of the garage, most particularly our single-burner camp stove. We used it to prepare a comforting cup of soup before heading back to the warming center, as our phones were running low.

On the way in, we observed cots in the hallway with teens and older children resting comfortably out of the cold. The city council chamber was bustling, not only with a team of firefighters but with a constant stream of visitors.

One family, visiting from Utah, stopped in because they saw the lights on. They enjoyed the warmth, the company and some recommendations of sights not to miss during the remainder of their stay.

At 9:01 PM, the lights in City Hall flickered as the power transitioned from the generator back to the main circuits. But reports were that power in the north part of town was still off. Councilor McGinniss made a quick run through the neighborhood and reported, "Nothing north of here has power yet.'

Within a few minutes, we

started hearing that power had returned as far as Lake Lytle, so we ventured home to find light and heat.

On the way out, though, Captain Grace told me, "We may be doing this again." With another atmospheric river on the way, and winds expected to reach 60 mph with gusts to 80, it's comforting to know that the warming center is fully equipped.

Our thanks to Captain Grace, Chief Hesse, Rockaway Beach Fire & Rescue, and city government for this resource.

If you have access to the internet on your phone in an outage, you can check the TPUD site for details about the extent and estimated time of recovery: https://www. tpud.org/outages/poweroutages/



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would like to start off Lthis week's column by extending my best wishes to all our readers for a Merry Christmas. I truly appreciate all the kind words and feedback I've received from you over the past year. Knowing that people are enjoying the area fencepost sections of the newspaper is heartwarming, so thank you and keep sending me your stories, birthday, anniversary information or any other items of interest that you would like to share

with your neighbors. The well-known song



lyrics, "It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas, everywhere I go, need a few more words added. "Everywhere I go in Bay City"

Many elves have been hard at work decorating our town for the holiday season. The Christmas tree at the south entrance to Bay City from Highway 101 has been lit up and all the poles around the downtown core have been hung with lighted ornaments. At the new Welcome Park hundreds of twinkly lights have been strung along the fenceline and in the trees, giving not only a pretty sight for the community but also bringing cheer to those travelling Highway 101. The hayrack planters located at

various local businesses, and the city hall and library have been decked out with seasonal greens, colorful baubles and bows. A huge thank you to Bay City Public Works team, Bay City Fire Department and the Bay City Booster Club for all their hard work creating such a lovely display. May you all be on Santa's good list.

Food collection barrels will remain at city hall, the library and post office, through the month of December for donations of non-perishable food items. Times are hard for many in our area, so if you can gift some spare canned or boxed food, it will be greatly appreciated. Food collected will be distributed through the area's food banks. There has already been a huge outpouring of generosity by our community, so let's keep those acts

of kindness going. If attending a church service is in your Christmas plans, there will be a Christmas Eve Candlelight Service with readings and carols, held on December 24 at 7 p.m. at the lovely, historic Bay City United Methodist Church, located at 5695 D St. If you need more information, check their website at baycityumc@bccoast.net or

call 503-377-2679 The New Year, 2026 is almost here and events are already being planned for January here in Bay City. Beginning on January 13 and running through March 5, the Bay City Arts Center will be offering an after school theater program for youth in grades 3 through 6 on Tuesdays and Thursday from 3:30 to 5:30. Through fun, handson activities, students will act in two children's plays, learn about costuming and props, lighting, sound, make up, and creating character looks. Contact the BCAC for more

information. Happy holidays everyone.







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Mook grapplers start season strong

By MIKE WEBER

For The Headlight Herald

The Tillamook High Cheesemakers boys and girls OSAA Class 4A wrestling teams opened their 2025-2026 season December 5. Both teams have competed in three meets, including a December 20 event with Class 5A schools Bend, Thurston, Churchill and Mountain View at Thurston High School in Springfield.

Cheesemakers girls competed in the first of ten events on their schedule in a 27-team tourney at McKay High School in Salem. The 20-member squad, guided by Coach Tim Jenck, followed with a December 12 meet at Philomath High School and took first place in team scoring to get their first victory of

'We had seven girls who went to McKay to compete in one of the premier tournaments of the state and we took 12th place in team scoring," said Jenck. "Basically, we had some six-point scorers at McKay and we did really well too at Philomath in winning that tournament."

The Cheesemakers were led by seniors Claire Travis (2025 fifth place) and Addison Josi (2025 second

last four minutes of the

the end of the first.

quarter, helping the Pirates

stretch their lead to 20-6 at

place) at McKay, who are both returning state placer leading the squad this year. Travis took first place in the 125-pound weight class and Josi took second place in the 170-pound division. Saddie Reynolds also had solid effort with a fourth-place finish.

The Cheesemakers will compete in their fourth event in the 17-team Phil Smith Memorial Invitational Jan. 2 at Junction City High School. They'll follow with another event in the Oregon Wrestling Classic Jan. 16-17 in Redmond.

"I think we'll have five

girls who will have a really good chance to qualify for the state tournament this year," said Jenck.

The district meet will be held February 20-21 at Molalla High School. The top four finishers in each weight class will qualify for the state tournament February 26-28 at the Veterans Memorial Coliseum in Portland.

The 40-member Cheesemaker boys' squad, guided by Coach Rex Metcalfe, competed in the first event on their schedule at an eightteam meet on December 5 at Tillamook High School, taking first place in team

scoring to get the win. They followed with a December 12 nine-team event at Philomath High School, which they won as well.

'We have about 10 returning state qualifiers, but we only have one returning state placer," said Metcalfe. "We have a younger team than we had a year ago, but I think we'll have over 15 kids that will probably qualify for state this season. We have eight seniors, but most of our more talented kids are freshmen and sophomores. It's kind of exciting to have so many really good young kids. Everyone is healthy

and we're getting better each week.'

The Cheesemakers will

compete in their next event December 29-30 in the Northwest Duals Tournament at the Linn County Fairgrounds in Albany. They'll enter another meet January 3 at McMinnville, followed by a January 10 home meet.

The district meet will be held February 13-14 at Molalla High School. The top four finishers in each weight class advance to the state tournament February 26-28 at Veterans Memorial Coliseum in Portland.

Pirates cruise against Loggers

WIII CHAPPELL

Headlight Editor

Neah-Kah-Nie High School's boys' basketball team improved to 4-2 on the season with a convinc-

The Pirates cooled off momentarily as the second quarter started but maintained their defensive presing 67-42 win over the



Jones steps through two defenders for a shot near the hoop.

Knappa Loggers at home on December 16.

The Pirates jumped out to an early lead which they maintained throughout, led by strong performances from Clayton Dante, Jordan Lewis and Dylan Sigman, who combined for 49 points.

Neah-Kah-Nie came out hot, jumping out to a 13-2 lead behind eight from Sigman while Knappa struggled against the Pirates' defensive pressure. The Pirate run continued as the team stayed hot from the field, with Dante pouring in seven in the

sure, before a seven-point burst two minutes into the quarter stretched the advantage to 27-7, drawing a Logger timeout. Knappa knocked in a three following the timeout but could not sustain any momentum allowing Neah-Kah-Nie to take a 34-17 lead to the

Neah-Kah-Nie opened the second half with a fivepoint run and maintained the lead around 20, leading 43-24 with four to go before extending the advantage to 56-29 heading into the fourth.

Knappa trimmed the

lead back to under 20 in the early minutes of the fourth, but Neah-Kah-Nie responded with a six-point run and cruised to the 67-42 final.

Dante finished with 20 points on the night, scoring in every quarter, while Lewis chipped in 17, including three three-pointers in the third quarter alone, and Sigman put up 12. The Pirates improved to 4-2 with the victory ahead of a three-game road trip to Arizona where they took on ALA West Foothills on December 18, losing 77-57, Thunderbird on December 19, and Chandler Prep on December 20 (results unavailable).

Lady Pirates outlast **Loggers in**

Neah-Kah-Nie High School's girls' basketball team beat the Knappa High Loggers 38-35 in overtime at home on December 16, stopping a two-game slide.

The game was back and forth throughout, with neither team leading by more than five points, but a timely three in overtime proved decisive for the Pirates, who were led by Jasmine Jones with 14 points and Quinn Scalabrin with nine.

Both teams were cold to start the game, with no baskets until a Jones jump shot with six minutes remaining in the first, but the Pirates' struggles continued from there allowing the Loggers to take a 3-2 lead with a three with four minutes to go. The game remained

a defensive struggle as the quarter wore on, with Knappa extending the lead with a field goal before Bianca Smith made two free throws and Scalabrin sunk a late three to give the Pirates a 7-5 advantage after one.

Knappa evened the game shortly into the second and took a threepoint lead with an and-one moments later. Smith responded with a basket in the paint to cut the lead to one with five minutes left in the half and Jones retook the lead on a drive on the ensuing possession. The teams traded baskets before Knappa took a three-point lead as the Pirates again went cold, with only a late Smith free throw to trim the lead to 16-14 at the half.

Jones returned the lead to Neah-Kah-Nie with a pull-up three on the first possession of the second half, but Knappa responded with four against one Jones free throw to retake the lead 20-18 with five remaining in the quarter. The Pirates entered the bonus a minute later and tied the game with two free throws, before the Loggers again jumped ahead with a three and free throw. Both teams again went cold from the field, until a late Marily Dante and Scalabrine three leveled the game at 24 heading into the fourth.

Jones opened the fourth with a midrange jumper to give Neah Kah Nie the lead before Knappa again evened the game with a jumper of their own. Acacia Christensen scored a basket in the paint to again put the Pirates ahead and a three and free throw from



Sigman goes up for a putback against the Loggers.

Christiansen stretched the lead to 32-27 with four left in the game.

Knappa's offensive woes continued as time wound down in the game until a three with two minutes left trimmed the lead back to two and a midrange jumper with 1:15 again drew the score level at 32. Neither team scored in the final minute, sending the game to overtime.

In the four-minute overtime period, Neah-Kah-Nie struck first with Jones scoring on a drive on the opening possession. That remained the extra frame's only basket until the Loggers again drew level with a midrange jumper with a minute and a half remaining. Scalabrin hit her third three of the night on the

next possession before the Loggers trimmed the lead to 37-35 with a free throw with 45 seconds to go. Jones went one for two from the line with 15 left to stretch the lead to three and secure the 38-35 victory.

With the win, the Pirates improved to 3-3 on the season, following two losses by a combined six points to Nestucca and Oregon Episcopal. Neah-Kah-Nie returned to action with a win against Phoenix Christian, 55-42, on Thursday, the first game in an Arizona road trip that continued with games at St. Mary's Catholic and Benjamin Franklin on Friday and Saturday.

Tillamook swimmers stand out at River City Invitational

David RICHMOND Tillamook Swim Coach

Tillamook Swim Team came away with four wins, 19 top three finishes, improvements in all six relays and knocked off 6A Forest Grove en route to two top three team finishes by the boys and girls at the 2025 River City Invitational. The boys took second in the home invitational, while the girls placed in the top three. Teams from the 3A to 6A classification were represented in the meet. I thought we swam well week 1, but week two was at a different level with all the talent the visiting schools brought in.

Earlier in the week, there was some massive flooding locally that occurred which made several of the teams squeamish about traveling over the mountain, but the weather held up and the Cheesemakers flooded the nine other teams in attendance with top notch performances, none bigger than the girl's 400 freestyle relay.

Following the girl's 200 Free Relay of Rachel Phillips, Violette Gomes, Emmy Mulder and Indi Rhodes dispatched last year's Pendleton state finalist foursome, the girls set their sights on 5A powerhouse Silverton in what turned out to be a jaw dropper.

No race got the crowd up and feverishly cheering like this one. Hanna Amirkhanian stepped in this week and gave us her best 100 time of the year with Silverton and Molalla racing out to a big early lead of about 15 yards. Gomes swam second for the Aqua Mooks in lifetime best over 100 yards moving up into 3rd place halfway through the race. Mulder completed the third leg in a three second personal best passing the Molalla swimmer and pulling within about a yard of the first place Silverton team for the anchor leg. Rhodes charged the first $5\overline{0}$ and broke out

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SPORTS



From left to right: Soren Johnson, Mason Barajas, Wyatt Swart, Johnny Sappington, Easton Vance, Cyrus Werner, Emmy Mulder, Hanna Amirkhanian, Rachel Phillips, Indi Rhodes and Violette Gomes, after

SWIMMERS from

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into about a three-yard lead at the 75 mark, before the Silverton anchor, Lily Veith had a huge turn to pull back within a yard of Rhodes. But Rhodes and her teammates would not be denied in the final race of the night and won with a season best time of 4:15.97. Silverton finished second in 4:16.60.

medaling at the River City Invitational. Photo courtesy David Richmond

Rhodes finished the night with three wins setting the standard in the 200 free and 500 free earlier in the evening. Violette Gomes had personal bests

in all four of her outings and came away with a gold in the 100 butterfly. She was also second in the 100 backstroke. Emmy Mulder saw to an impressive personal best in the 50 free to place second by just a smidge and placed fourth in the 100 freestyle.

On the boy's side all three relays were impres-

sive, placing in the top three on the evening. They are just starting to warm up. We have a lot of depth, and I am looking forward to seeing what our relays can do this year. We are going to be deep in all three.

Wyatt Swart, Johnny Sappington and Easton Vance each placed second in their top respective events. All three had impressive personal bests in their main events with Swart in the butterfly and Sappington in the 500. Vance, the reigning 100 bigg breaststroke league champion looked strong and smooth throughout. Swart did not fade down the home stretch and was light and this to had impressive personal bests in their Sappington in the 500. 500 bigg horizontal to had smooth throughout. Swart did not fade down the home stretch and was light and

this week. He almost broke the one-minute barrier. Sappington put up a 15 second personal best in the 500 and both looked like bigger things are on the horizon.

Tillamook looks forward to hosting their second meet of the season when Seaside come to town for a dual meet next week.

Free First Day Hikes at Oswald West State Park

It's part of the annual First Day Hikes event at 25 Oregon State Parksheld in partnership with America's State Parks on New Year's

Information about the Oswald West State Park hike:

• Join us for a First Day Hike with a park ranger and a guest from the North Coast Land Conservancy at Oswald West State Park. Explore the old-growth forest and discover the natural and cultural history of the oldest state park on the north Oregon Coast. We will also be celebrating the 10th anniversary of the Cape Falcon Marine Reserve.

- Registration is required.
- The hike starts at 10 a.m. and begins at Oswald West State Park's main parking lot near Short Sands Beach Trail Head, 41575 Oregon Coast Hwy, Nehalem, OR 97131.
- The approximately 1-mile hike will be relatively level with few ups and downs. Surfaces will include

compacted gravel, sand, dirt, root intrusions, potholes, and possibly mud.

- Participants should dress in warm layers and pack rain gear. Sturdy, closed-toed shoes with ankle support are recommended. Bring pen and paper, water, and snacks for yourself along the hike.
- Contact the park office at 503-812-0650 for more information.

If you have questions about access, please contact Park Ranger, Nathan Emmett at 503-812-0650.

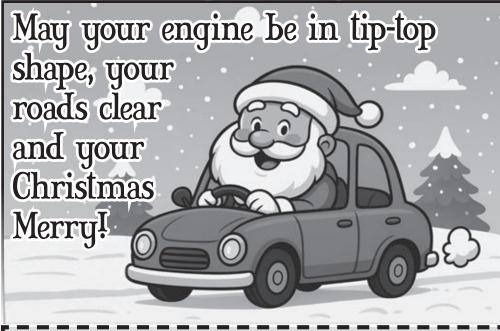
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Merkley, Wyden, Hoyle secure commitment helicopter will remain in Newport

On December 12, Oregon's U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley, along with Senator Ron Wyden and Congresswoman Val Hoyle (OR-04), announced that they secured written commitments from Admiral Kevin Lunday, Acting Commandant of the U.S Coast Guard, to ensure the rescue helicopter located at the Newport Air Facility remains in the community,

as well as a pledge from Lunday to visit the Newport area within one year.

"After hearing from countless Oregonians about the importance of the search and rescue helicopter in Newport, I led the charge to secure written confirmation from the Coast Guard that the helicopter would remain in the community, consistent with the law I wrote in 2014. For fishermen and

coastal communities, this is a huge win, especially during winter crab season and in the face of cold-water conditions," said Merkley. "I am lifting my hold on Admiral Lunday's nomination and look forward to his forthcoming visit to Newport and to a productive working relationship going forward."

"I'm gratified that Acting Commandant Lunday today

wrote in plain English the verbal commitment he made last week to Senator Merkley and me over the phone – namely that the Coast Guard helicopter will remain right where it belongs in Newport," said Wyden. "This is great news for fishermen and both residents of -- and visitors to -- the central Oregon Coast. Thanks to the Newport Fishermen's Wives and all the local officials who worked with Senator Merkley, Congresswoman Hoyle and me to achieve this victory for public safety, the law and common sense.'

"I want to thank Acting Commandant Lunday for his letter today committing to us to keep the Coast Guard helicopter in Newport," said Hoyle. "It is a huge win for our coastal community, and it wouldn't

have happened without the collective effort of Senators Wyden and Merkley and every Oregonian who raised their voice. When our community stands together, we get results."

Merkley, Wyden, and Hoyle worked together to keep the rescue helicopter in Newport, leading a coordinated series of efforts that ultimately succeeded.

City of Manzanita declares local state of emergency due to landslide risk and forecasted storm

City OF MANZANITA

The Manzanita City Council has declared a local state of emergency in response to discovering an area of city-owned land where erosion has caused soil instability and surface failure. Saturated ground conditions have led to sections of sedimentary material fracturing and sliding downslope, leaving exposed

soil and debris. The area is being actively assessed and stabilized.

With unstable land conditions in parts of the city and a forecasted storm expected to bring heavy rainfall and strong winds, city officials are concerned that the anticipated weather conditions may increase the risk of landslides, falling trees, and damage to homes and public infrastructure, posing

a threat to residents and emergency responders.

"This declaration allows the city to act quickly and responsibly to protect public safety," said Mayor Kathryn Stock. "Our priority is ensuring we have the flexibility to respond immediately if conditions worsen."

Under the emergency declaration, City Manager Leila Aman is authorized to take necessary actions to

safeguard life and property. These include coordinating with county and state agencies, expediting emergency contracts and repairs, deploying personnel and resources, and taking preventive measures where needed.

The declaration is made pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes 401.309 and 279B.080, which allow local governments to respond

swiftly when conditions threaten public safety. The emergency declaration also ratifies actions already taken by city staff in preparation for the forecasted storm.

The local state of emergency will remain in effect through at least January 8, 2026, and may be extended if conditions require.

City officials urge residents, particularly those in areas with steep slopes or

known drainage issues, to remain alert, prepare for possible power outages or road closures, and follow any safety guidance issued by the city or emergency services.

Updates will be shared through the city's website and official communication channels as conditions evolve.

TCVA opens marketing, accessibility grants January 1

The Tillamook Coast Visitors Association (TCVA) will open two grant programs on January 1, 2026, providing funding opportunities for tourism-related businesses and lodging properties across Tillamook County. The programs include TCVA's annual Tourism Marketing Grants and a new Accessibility Grants for Hotels and Motels program.

Together, the two grant programs will make \$200,000 available during the 2025–2026 fiscal year to support sustainable tourism marketing efforts and improve accessibility with local

TCVA Tourism Marketing Grants, 2025–2026

The Tourism Marketing Grants program opens January 1, 2026, with applications due by February 28, 2026. TCVA has allocated \$100,000, with applicants eligible to request up to \$10,000 per project. Matching funds are not required.

Since 2015, TCVA has awarded more than \$1 million in marketing grant funding to tourism-related organizations. The program supports marketing and promotional efforts that help businesses reach visitors, build resiliency, and align with TCVA's Sustainable Tourism Brand Promise and

Strategic Plan priorities, including accessibility, outdoor recreation, environmental stewardship, cultural heritage and the arts, and culinary and agritourism.

Accessibility Grants for Hotels and Motels, 20252026

Also opening January 1, 2026, TCVA's new Accessibility Grants for Hotels and Motels program will provide \$100,000 to support accessibility improvements at hotels and motels throughout

Tillamook County for guests with mobility challenges. Applications are due February 28, 2026, with a maximum request of \$10,000 per project. Matching funds are not required.

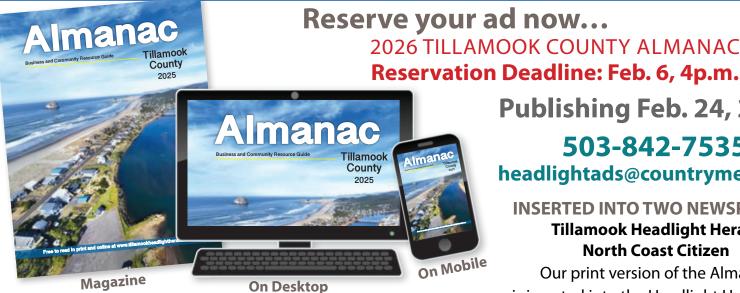
This new grant category

aligns with regional accessibility efforts supported by Wheel the World and Travel Oregon, and reflects TCVA's commitment to improving access for visitors of all abilities.

Grant funds will be

distributed on a reimbursement basis in accordance with grant agreements. Full details for both programs are available at tillamookcoast. com/grants. Questions may be directed to Nan Devlin at nan@tillamookcoast.com.

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HH25-545 SUMMONS BY PUB-LICATION Case No.: 25CV50028 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF TILLAMOOK U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCI-ATION, Plaintiff, vs. UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF KATHRYN L KROO AKA KATH-RYN I OUISE KROO AKA KATHY KROO: UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF JOHN THOMAS LLOYD; U.S. BANK NATION-AL ASSOCIATION; BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.; OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY, Defendants . TO:Unknown Heirs and Devisees of John Thomas Lloyd IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON: You are hereby required to appear and defend the Complaint filed against you in the above entitled cause within thirty (30) days from the date of service of this summons upon you, and in case of your failure to do so, for want thereof, Plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the Complaint. NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: READ THESE PAPERS CAREFULLY! You must "appear" in this case or the other side will win automatically. To "appear" you must file with the court a legal paper called a "motion" or "answer." The "motion" or "answer" must be given to the court clerk or administrator within 30 days along with the required filing fee. It must be in proper form and have proof of service on the plaintiff's attorney or, if the plaintiff does not have an attorney, proof of service on the plaintiff. If you have questions, you should see an attorney immediately. If you need help in finding an attorney, you may call the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service at (503) 684-3763 or toll-free in Oregon at (800) 452-7636. If you are a veteran of the armed forces, assistance may be available from a county veterans' service officer or community action agency. Contact information for a local county veterans' service officer and community action agency may be obtained by calling the 2-1-1 information service. Additionally, contact information for a service officer appointed under ORS 408.410 for the county in which you live and contact information for a community action agency that serves your area can be found by visiting the following link: https://www.oregon. gov/odva/services/pages/countyservices.aspx and selecting your county. You can also access a list of Veterans Services for all Oregon counties by visiting the following link: https://www.oregon.gov/odva/Services/Pages/ All-Services-Statewide.aspx. DATED 12/09/2025 McCarthy & Holthus, LLP Grace Chu OSB# 220848 920 SW 3rd Ave 1st Floor Portland, OR 97204 Phone: (971) 201-3200 gchu@mccarthyholthus.com Attorneys for Plain-

HH25-552 SUMMONS BY PUB-LICATION Case No.: 25CV56721 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF TILLAMOOK U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCI-ATION, Plaintiff, vs. UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF TOM R CHAMBERS AKA TOM

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HH25-556 PUBLIC NOTICE: The following listed individuals have left items in storage at Tillamook Mini Storage, 3510 3rd St. Tillamook, OR 97141. 503-842-6388. Jessica Johnson # 504, Cassandra Haggard # 192, Erin Cawley #403 and Marcela Vanstone # 226. If any of the above wish to settle their accounts, and collect their belongings they need to do so by 5:00pm on January 12th 2025. All items which remain after that time will be listed for sale at auction to the highest bidder online at www.storageauctions.com. The auction is to start on December 31st 2025 at

9:00am and end on January 12th

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HH25-558 PURSUENT TO ORS CHAPTER 87. Notice is hereby given that the following vehicle will be Sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 1/5/2026. The sale will be held at 10:00am by Tillamook RV Repair, 4190 Hwy 101 N. Tillamook, OR. 2013 Keystone RV VIN = 4YDT28124EX410687. Amount due on lien \$4085.00. Reputed owner(s): JOHNSON, JULIAN. ONPOINT COMM CU

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HH25-559 PURSUANT TO ORS CHAPTER 819. Notice is hereby given that the following vehicle will be sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 1/6/2026. The sale will be held at 10:00am by MENE-FEE WELDING REPAIR & TOW-ING 31665 HWY 101 S CLO-VERDALE, OR. TOYT TAC PK VIN = 3TMDZ5BN3PM145036. Amount due on lien \$14795.28

Reputed owner(s) > B. R. WEST-WOOD & S. P. LAZZINI II

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HH25-560 DEQ Requests Comments on Proposed Hazardous Building Materials Cleanup at Former Wheeler Hospital. The Department of Environmental Quality proposes to accept the recommended cleanup alternative for abatement of hazardous building materials at the former Wheeler Hospital located at 278 Rowe Street in Wheeler. The Analysis of Brownfields Cleanup Alternatives prepared for Nehalem Bay Health District outlines the proposal. The district plans to use Business Oregon's Brownfields Program to pay for the abatement, helping to prepare the site for redevelopment as workforce housing. For more information: To view project documents and learn how to comment on this proposed action by February 2, 2026, at 5 p.m., see the public notice at https://ordeq. org/public-notices.

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Even Exchange by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from $M\underline{A}STER$ for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters. __ __ E 1. Initiate Gawk

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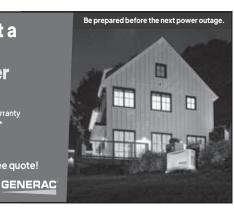
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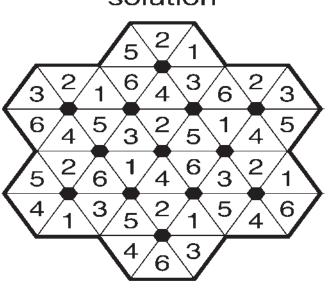
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Crossword answers on page B5

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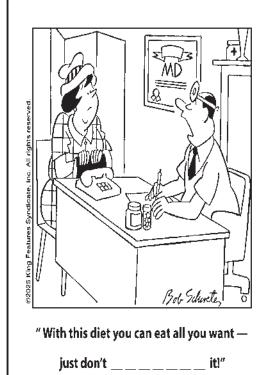
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Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Sneak ALWESE Consume BEADO Respond

SEWNAR Foreign INLAE

TODAY'S WORD

CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR is **Longfellow**

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

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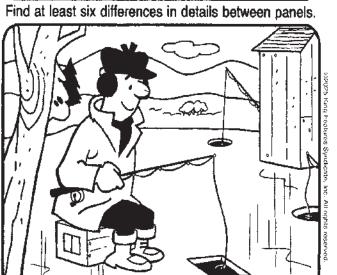
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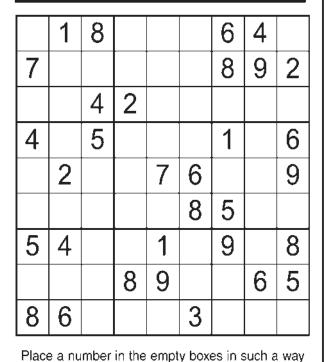
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BY HENRY BOLTINOFF **HOCUS-FOCUS**



different. 4. Cloud is lower, 5. Reel is moved, 6. Fishing line is Differences: I. Hut is taller, 2. Laces are missing, 3. Crate is

Weekly SUDOKU



that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

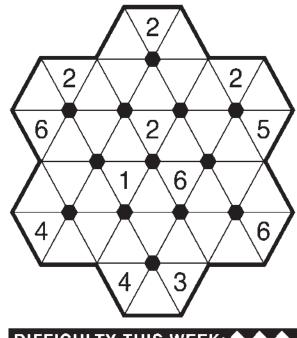
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by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



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Easy

Medium