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Winds batter Tillamook as winter weather arrives

WILL CHAPPELL Headlight Editor

S everal storm systems lashed Tillamook County with high winds and more than two inches of rain in the first week of November, also generating a waterspout off Oceanside on Wednesday and causing multiple power outages and

Meteorological conditions were exacerbated by the season's first King Tides from November 5-7, which saw high tides peak at ten feet each day.

Storm systems began moving across the county on Monday, November 3, but matters intensified on Wednesday, November 5, as wind gusts recorded by the National Weather Service climbed to 60-70 miles per hour across the county.

Around 4:35 p.m., the high winds generated a waterspout roughly one mile west-northwest of Netarts, which moved slowly northeast toward the beach, before fizzling out near the shoreline.

Rainfall totals were relatively low throughout the week in coastal areas of the county, with the National Weather Service measuring 2-2.5 inches at most of its low-lying posts



See WINDS, Page A3 A sailboat was grounded during the storms in Rockaway Beach. Photo by Mike Kukral

AWARD WINNING

Tillamook Fair Board President Larson wins award, poster also feted

WILL CHAPPELL Headlight Editor

lillamook County Fair Board Member Bob Larson and volunteer Richard Love were selected Fair Board Member of the year and fair supporter of the year at October's Oregon Fairs Association annual conference in Salem, while the fair's 2025 poster was selected as best fair poster.

Tillamook County Fairgrounds Manager Camy Von Seggern said that both volunteers contribute to the fair in multiple ways and extolled their contributions.

Larson has been on the Tillamook County Fair's Board of Directors for 13 years, assuming the presidency this year. Von Seggern said that Larson consistently brought new ideas to the table, including adding three new carnival rides to the fair this year and that he was a jack of all trades during fair week, completing tasks ranging

from bringing water to announcers in the grandstand arena to coordinating with a neighboring farmer to use a field for 250 overflow parking spaces.

"He is just on top of things continually," Von Seggern said. "He's always looking for new ideas for the fairground, and our board is a working board, so they get out there as well.'

Love is a longtime volunteer at the fairground, whose father once served on the board. During fair week, Love oversees the volunteer vendor lot, arriving at 6 a.m. daily and bringing donuts to gate crew volunteers. The rest of the year, Love chips in on projects around the property, including a renovation of the Tillamook County Pioneer Society's building.

"He's just done a lot, so we thought he was very deserving, and I guess the committee thought so too," Von Seggern said.



Seggern at the award ceremony. Photo courtesy Camy Von Seggern

With SNAP in limbo, food bank braces

WILL CHAPPELL Headlight Editor

s funding for the Supple-Amental Nutrition Assistance Plan payments for November remains unsure amid the ongoing federal government shutdown, the Tillamook branch of the Oregon Food Bank and its partner food pantries are preparing for an uptick in demand.

Oregon Food Bank's Tillamook Regional Manager Julia Wentzel said that the uncertainty and potential lack of benefits was going to further strain a system that was already overburdened, and that looking ahead, the issues only promise to get worse as components of the Republican spending bill passed this summer come into effect in January.

"I think that it's important to think about this as a spike in an ongoing crisis," Wentzel said. "We were in a moment of pretty severe food insecurity before any of this happened and we are looking at permanent changes to SNAP that will have really dire consequences for SNAP families but also for our entire local economy."

The apparent status of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Plans (SNAP) payments for November morphed throughout the week through a series of legal rulings. On Monday, a federal judge ruled that the Trump administration must disburse at least half of monthly payments to SNAP recipients, while another court ordered full benefit payment on Friday, though the administration challenged both rulings.

Oregon leaders, along with those in several other states, indicated early on Friday that they planned to send participants full November benefits, even in the face of the pending legal battle.

In Tillamook County, about 15% of the population, or 4,5000 people, receives SNAP benefits averaging just under \$7 a day, Wentzel said. Under normal circumstances, the food bank and pantry system serves as a safety net for people waiting for SNAP benefits to begin, those without permanent legal status or as a bridge source of food at the end of the month. In an average month, 5.000 visits occur at local food pantries, though Wentzel said they do not have a way to identify repeat

In the last week of October,

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New Fire Chief takes reins in Garibaldi

WILL CHAPPELL Headlight Editor

A lifelong drive and passion for fighting fires brought Randolph "Tad" Pedersen to Garibaldi in October, where he now serves as the chief of the fire department.

Pedersen said that he is looking forward to helping the department bounce back from a rough patch after former Chief Jay Marugg resigned in protest over the department's budget in May and that he has already been impressed by the community's support for the department.

"I think that the relationship between the community and the fire department here is exceptional and that excites me," Pedersen said. Born and raised in

Knappa, Pedersen started on the path towards becoming a firefighter by becoming an ambulance explorer scout when he was a freshman in high school before joining the local fire department as a volunteer when he was 18. Pedersen worked his way up through the volunteer ranks, becoming an assistant chief by 1996 and continuing to volunteer until his move to Garibaldi.



Pedersen started his work career with Medix Ambulance Service, where he spent 20 years, before moving on to the state fire marshal's office, staying there until 2020. He then became a division chief for Columbia River Fire and Rescue in St. Helens until 2022, when his position was eliminated because of budget issues, after which he moved to Cowlitz County's building department.

Becoming a fire chief was always a goal, Pedersen said, but he had been waiting for the right opportunity, foregoing applying when the position in Knappa became

apply in Garibaldi because he was familiar with the community from his time as a fire marshal and believed he could help the department start a new chapter.

"I was one of the most active volunteers in Knappa and being an actual fire chief was kind of my ultimate goal," Pedersen said. "At the time Knappa was hiring a chief, I felt that they needed some outside influence, so I did not apply for that position, but when I saw this position, I kind of felt the same thing that here's an agency that would benefit from a different perspective, no preconceived ideas or opinions."

Now that he's in the role, Pedersen said that he has been impressed by the department, which currently has eight highly active volunteers and one part-time staffer in addition to Pedersen. Several long-time volunteers resigned alongside Marugg and Pedersen said that he will focus on training up the current volunteers, while actively recruiting new ones.

"There is still a good, solid, core group and that's going to be our primary focus is recruitment, retention, training and getting that core group more experience," Pedersen said.

Pedersen encouraged community members interested in contributing to the fire department to reach out. stressing that running into burning buildings was not a requirement to volunteer. "There's 101 other jobs in the fire department that absolutely anybody can be part of. If people are interested in volunteering, they should contact us and we will find them a role," Pedersen said.

As he gets more settled into the role, Pedersen said that he would also like to expand the department's activities, starting with business inspections in conjunction with the state fire marshal's office.

Pedersen said that he would then like to increase the variety of medical calls that the department responds to from those for cardiac arrest incidents and car accidents to anything an ambulance responds to.

"I have a pretty long background in running medical calls and some of our other people work part-time on the ambulance, so they're very familiar with the ambulance system," Pedersen said. "So, I really think it'll be a positive thing and I think the community anticipates that's what our role is."







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from Monday through Friday, when showers became scattered before dissipating. However, monitoring stations in the coast range recorded significantly higher rainfall totals, with a station near

of the month distribution or

reduced, Wentzel said that

demand will only intensify.

Compounding matters

funding as well as food com-

modities received from the

of Agriculture's Emergency

United States Department

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have also been reduced or

not received, according to

Wentzel. While the food

funding, grants and dona-

cannot offset the losses in

federal support.

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say the federal funding pot

as new provisions for SNAP

are set to take effect in Janu-

ary, including more frequent

passed in the Republican

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of money, starts to shrink,

we can somewhat offset

"When one pot of money,

bank also receives state

she expects the uptick in

further, the food bank's

Foss on the Nehalem River seeing 4.12 inches from just Monday to Thursday.

Netarts, Oceanside and the City of Tillamook experienced a multi-hour power outage on Wednesday afternoon, while residents from Garibaldi north to the county line were treated to the same on Thursday when Pacific Power's transmission line from Clatsop County was knocked offline.

reviews of participants' eligibility. The costs of that administrative work will fall to state governments, which administer the program on behalf of the federal government, reducing the

participants.

While Wentzel said it was unclear how much those changes would reduce benefits for participants, she said that the shortfall could not be solved by food banks as SNAP is able to provide nine meals with the same funding the food banks need to provide one. Wentzel urged concerned residents to contact their federal legislators to encourage them to find a different path forward.

funds available to program

"It's really important to be candid about the fact that the food bank cannot be the solution to this problem," Wentzel said. "This problem is absolutely beyond the capacity of a food bank network to solve, so that also means we are putting a lot of effort into encouraging people to advocate for healthy communities.

Beyond the impacts for those enrolled in SNAP, Wentzel also pointed out that the program generated around \$500,000 in monthly revenue for local businesses, which is now also at risk.

Wentzel encouraged residents to donate to the food bank or local pantries, saying that the food bank's buying power could multiply the power of cash donations, while encouraging residents who preferred to give food to buy a second of whatever item they purchased at the grocery store for themselves.

Residents needing to access food can find a local pantry at oregonfoodfinder. org and Wentzel said that while pantries are officially open to people earning up to 300% of the federal poverty level (around \$47,000 for an individual, \$63,000 for a couple or \$97,000 for a family of four) nobody would be turned away.

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SNAP from

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as the uncertainty around SNAP came into focus, Wentzel said that the food pantry saw a 30% surge in visits, with final data still being collected.

The uptick comes at a fraught time for the organization and its partners, as Wentzel said the food bank's statewide funding has been stagnant since 2017 while visits have doubled, a trend that has only accelerated in recent months.

"We've been in a state of crisis really for several months. At this point, we're seeing unprecedented levels of visits to our pantries before the government shut down, before any of this was coming along," Wentzel said.

If November's SNAP benefits are further delayed from their normal beginning

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that," Wentzel said, "but at the end of the day the amount of food that's flowing through our network is way down.' Looming on the horizon are yet more storm clouds,

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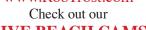
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Tillamook County Shop with a Cop Celebrates 21 years

On Saturday, November 15th, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., the Pacific Restaurant will host a Tri-Tip Dinner Fundraiser and Celebration to mark the 21st anniversary of Tillamook County's Shop with a Cop program.

The purpose of Shop with a Cop is to build lasting trust and positive relationships between Tillamook County's children and local law enforcement officers. Over the years, the program has supported hundreds of children in need—and now, some of the children we once served are bringing their own children to participate.

Join us for a delicious Tri-Tip dinner, enjoy the fun atmosphere, and help support this meaningful cause. Local law enforcement officers will be on hand serving dinner-and sharing plenty of their

signature corny jokes.

The Shop with a Cop program was originally founded in 1978 by Georgia Schreiner and a police officer in Las Vegas, Nevada. It was created to give children who have had difficult or negative experiences with law enforcement the opportunity to build positive connections—while purchasing Christmas gifts for themselves and their families. These children may have experienced family crises, loss, or other traumatic circumstances. Since its introduction to Tillamook County, the program has thrived and become a beloved annual event in partnership with Tillamook Law Enforcement and Fred Meyer.

This December, our goal is to take 50 children, ages 4–10, shopping at

Fred Meyer on Saturday, December 20th. Each child will receive \$150 to spend on gifts for themselves and their loved ones.

To date, the program has supported more than 1,250 children in Tillamook County—and we look forward to continuing that tradition for many years to come. No tickets are required for the dinnerjust come by, enjoy your meal, and pay at the door. Take-out orders will also be available.

You are welcome to donate to the program anytime of the year by mailing a check to The Friends of Tillamook Police, 210 Laurel Avenue, Tillamook, OR 97141.

For further information, please contact: Chief Nick Troxel at 503-842-2522 or ntroxel@tillamookor.gov



Chief Nick Troxel (right) and School Resource Officer Trent Olson (left) both lent a hand at the fundraiser last year hosted at the Pacific Restaurant in this Headlight Herald file photo.

Tillamook secures \$7.2 million for water main line project

WILL CHAPPELL Headlight Editor

Tillamook's city council approved an interim financing agreement for \$7.2 million with Business Oregon, putting them on track to secure a loan in the same amount to support the replacement of the city's main water transmission line from the Port of Tillamook Bay on November 3.

The project will see the city's water supply line relocated from underneath the runway at Tillamook Airport and upgraded for seismic resiliency and carries a total

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price tag of \$20 million.

Funding for the remainder of the project's budget is coming from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, which allocated \$12 million to it and an unrelated \$800,000 grant. Originally budgeted at \$18 million, the cost of the project increased

with inflation over the last five years, leaving the city looking for ways to bridge the gap.

The interim financing agreement entered at November's meeting provides the city with money it will need to secure the eventual, low-interest loan from Business Oregon's special public works fund to cover the cost of construction, according to City Manager Sean Lewis. That loan will be repaid by the city over the course of 30 years using funds generated by a water rate increase approved by city council in

Consor North America was contracted in July 2023 to design the new transmission line, which is expected to come in at around 17,000 feet of new, 24-inch-diameter, seismically-resilient pipe that will allow the city continued water access in the event of an earthquake.



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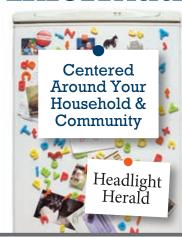
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Beyond the Call A few days ago, on our regular walk to get our mail at the Cloverdale Post Office, my wife and I noticed a broken branch lying precariously high above and directly over Campground St. My fear was that in one of our winter storms, which are fast approaching, the branch would fall on an unsuspecting senior citizen (me) or on one of many school age children who walk up and down the hill to get to and from school.

The branch was far too high to be removed with anything but a bucket truck, but very near to where this "widow maker" was perched is the sign announcing that Campground St. is a "public road not maintained by the county,."

However, assuming if the Tillamook County Road Department couldn't help they'd at least be able to steer me in the right direction to get some assistance, I called.

In a very short time I received a phone call from Jerry Markee. He was at the intersection of Campground Street and Parkway Drive but couldn't see the branch I was calling about. I walked down the hill and pointed out the branch. That was on Monday afternoon, November 3.

By early Tuesday afternoon, November 4, Markee and a crew of three had brought the county's bucket truck, removed the branch I was concerned about and one other "widow maker" they spied in the process. I thanked Markee and told him I thought his response to my call and to solving the issue was beyond the call of duty. "I wouldn't want anyone to get hurt," Markee said, "safety first."

I learned in the process that Markee has recently been named Foreman for the Tillamook County Road Department. My hat is off to whomever made that decision. In my book Markee is definitely the right man for the job.

> Fred Bassett Cloverdale



GARDENING MATTERS

... Though Poppies Grow...

Tn all the 23 years I have been writing this column, only once did I write a column that would be published on Veterans Day, and that one featured of all things - orchids. When I was mentioning this to my dear sister Lynn, she suggested I write about the red poppies that are associated with Veterans Day. "A brilliant idea," I said, but then I realized I knew very little about the tradition of poppies connected to soldiers. So, I did some research and found an interesting story.

The end of World War I hostilities occurred on November 11, 1918: the 11th month, the 11th day, at 11 a.m. While Americans celebrate our veterans on November 11, many of the World War I allies – England, Australia, Canada, and New Zealand to name a few – also celebrate but call it Remembrance Day or Armistice Day. As a child, I remember the US referring to it as Armistice Day, too. President



Eisenhower changed the name to "Veterans Day" in 1954 to include veterans of World War II as well, but my parents continued to refer to it as Armistice Day long after that.

The red poppy has been a symbol that honors fallen military since before November 11, 1918. We have a Canadian physician, Lt. Col. John McCrae to thank for that. His poem "In Flanders Field" was a tribute to the soldiers at the second battle of Ypres, Belgium from April to May in 1915, where Lt. Col. McRae was witness to the devastation.

In early 1915, the Germans started using chlorine gas against the allied forces. In only 10 minutes, there were 6,000 French casualties at that battle in Ypres. McCrae's brigade lost half of his men in the first 17 days. One of them was a close friend, Alexis Helmer, killed on May 2. Mc-Crae performed the burial himself and as he stood at Helmer's grave, he looked around to see red poppies

Although the ground had been destroyed by mortar fire, chlorine gas and countless other environmental concerns, poppies grew around the graves. Seemingly nothing – not even the high sodium or increased levels of lime could deter the red blooms. Poppies decorated almost every grave in the

growing amid the graves

in the field.

As McCrae rode in the back of an ambulance overlooking the battlefield a few days later, he wrote the poem "In Flanders Field," probably Canada's

most well-known literary

"In Flanders fields the poppies grow Between the crosses,

row on row, That mark our place;

and in the sky The larks, still bravely singing, fly

Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago We lived, felt dawn, saw

sunset glow, Loved and were loved,

and now we lie In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe: To you from failing

hands we throw The torch; be yours to

hold it high. If ye break faith with us

We shall not sleep, though poppies grow In Flanders fields."

On January 28, 1918, McCrae died from pneumonia, just 4 days after he was promoted to the

consulting physician of the First British Army. Sadly, he would never see the end of the war nor see the impact of his poem. Canadians, Brits, Aussies and New Zealanders wear a red poppy to remember the fallen of all wars. Americans borrow from

Artificial poppies have been worn since about 1921, not only to commemorate the battles, but

this tradition for Memorial

also to raise funds to support veterans and activeduty military. They have become a powerful symbol of peace and hope.

So, today, as we honor our Veterans from all US wars past and present, please remember the sacrifices these men and women - and their families - have made over the years to keep our country and our democracy safe.



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Do you plan to travel to an area beach to observe this week's King Tides from Wednesday to Friday?

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The neighborhood Halloween party at Wendy Kunkel and Dave Audet's home was spooktacular. Some attendees dressed in costumethere were witches, pirates, cowgirls, John Lennon and a hobo-and some did not, but all had a good time. Treats were in abundance: ham and baked beans, cold cuts and crackers, veggies and a corn salsa salad, and Halloween cookies. Tricks? Well, no one owned up to any. Thanks, Wendy and Dave, for a fun holiday celebration.

The Cape Meares Com-

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munity Association (CMCA) invites Cape Meares residents and property owners to a community meeting on November 15 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Barbara Bennett Community Center. The morning will begin with a presentation by the CMCA Board about resiliency projects here in our village. CMCA was recently selected by the state to participate in a statewide project that will shape future resilience policies in Oregon. Dave Audet, president of CMCA, states that, "Community engage-



ment is the key to achieving our goals." He is looking forward to a good turnout here in Cape Meares.

After the resiliency discussion, a representative from the Tillamook Estuaries Partnership will give a presentation on eelgrass monitoring. Those of us who walk the beach here frequently have noticed an increase in cut eelgrass washing up on our shore in the past few years; this is a hot topic in the community. The eelgrass presentation will be followed by one from Trout Unlimited regarding the Salmon Superhighway Project at Flower Pot Creek. You may recognize this name as the spot where Bayocean Road was closed for seven weeks to allow construction of a bridge; again, a topic of much conversation here in the village. Attend the CMCA session on November 15 to ask questions, give input and bring up any topic of concern for the community.

Wendy Burroughs led

a fundraising campaign on behalf of the Cape Meares Book Group to purchase more book kits for the Tillamook County Library. Enough money was raised to buy three book kits of 10 books each to be used by local book clubs. The Cape Meares group was allowed to make suggestions as to which books to purchase. The library ended up buying Long Island by Colm Tóibín. There Are Rivers in the Sky by Elif Shafak and James by Percival Everett. Inside each book is a lovely plate featuring the CMCA logo and the words, "This book is a gift from the generous community of Cape Meares." There is also a quote from author

Malorie Blackman on the plates: "Reading is an exercise in empathy—an exercise in walking in someone else's shoes." The Cape Meares Book Group will be reading There Are Rivers in the Sky as their November book selection. The Tillamook County Library Foundation created a page on its website specifically for Book Club Kit donations; check it out at tillamookcountylibraryfoundation.org/book-club-kits.

That beautiful new redwood bench at the south beach access in Cape Meares is now sporting a gorgeous stone foundation. It is truly a work of art. Great job, John Olmsted and helpers.



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I am slowly getting into the rhythm of writing this fencepost – realizing this will publish on Veterans Day! November 11, 2025. Happy Veterans Day, thank you for your service.

Veteran's Day celebrates those individuals who have served this great country in one or more of our US Armed Forces. (Thanks, Dad.) At the end of World War I, in 1918, Armistice Day was established to honor our servicemembers from that war. In 1954 Congress changed the name to Veterans Day to recognize Americans from all wars. Nationally, the Tomb of the Unknowns ceremony is the focal point for celebrations with the annual wreath laying and the playing of taps at 11 am.

Here in Tillamook County, there are also celebrations. Our Tillamook Air Museum is hosting an annual celebration with breakfast at 8 a.m. and the VFW ceremony at 11 a.m. This is advertised as the biggest Veterans Day celebration on the Oregon Coast, and I believe it. There will be



guest speakers, food and live music. Admission is free. There will be no flyover this year because of the federal government shut down, according to the Air Museum's Facebook page.

More events – yes! The Tillamook Elks Lodge hosts their annual Veterans Day spaghetti dinner at 5 p.m. I remember that they take a picture of all the veterans in attendance – get into your old uniform and have your picture taken. It was always fun.

And Werner Beef and Brew are offering veterans a meal between 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., with valid military ID. Werner's has a great salad bar as well as a wide variety of meats. They are also donating 10% of all sales on November 11th to our local VFW Post 2848. The post offers veterans camaraderie, support, and opportunities to serve the community.

It has been years since I attended this ceremony. My husband served in the Korean conflict; we were part of the American Legion and then the VFW here and attended these events. It was always a full and fun day. It brings back warm and wonderful memories.

It seems that everyone's favorite librarian has been out of the office. I hope she is well. I checked on the baby salmon via the link she gave us last week. It may be the same video, I'm not sure, but those little fish are still carrying their egg sack around with them. Don't forget there is Storytime on Friday November 14th from 11 to 12 noon for the little ones

The Adult Book Club is on Tuesday, November 18th at 2 p.m. I didn't see what book was being read, but it should be posted in the library. This is another way to meet new people and make new friends. Teen Crafts and Chat is on Wednesday, November 19th from 4:15 to 5:15 pm. Our library is a wonderful resource, offering community activities and events for all ages.

One other resource popped up on my horizon this week. Fish Snacks LLC is offering food assistance to folks in our community. I haven't had a chance to check into this; I fear the rain has kept me indoors. But this is from their web (or Facebook) page: "Due to current political stuff, 10% of sales this month goes to helping local families for food." Drop in and say Hi to Jered Trout and thank him for this generous offer. Fish Snacks LLC is located at 802 3rd Street in Garibaldi. Thank you, Jered - what a

Garibaldi also has God's Lighthouse Church Pantry, which is open two Fridays a month from 10 a.m. to noon. They offer pantry style shopping. Their location is 103 Eighth Street, Garibaldi.

wonderful offer.



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ur own Pacific City-Nestucca Valley Chamber of Commerce invites one and all to their 24th Annual Awards Banquet and Gala. The event will include dinner by Grateful Bread Bakery and Café, a guest speaker, Betsy Johnson, auctions, and the coveted Awards Ceremony. It's planned from 5 p.m. onward on Monday, December 2 at Kiawanda Community Center. The address is 34600 Cape Kiawanda Drive in Pacific City. Tickets sell for \$65 each and can be accessed by telephone call to 503-965-3633 or email to PCNVChamber@gmail.com.

Nestucca Valley Backpack Food Program makes a difference in the lives of

local school children by ensuring that they won't go hungry over the weekends during each academic year. Run entirely by volunteers, the program provides a Friday afternoon backpack full of easy-to-prepare food to students in need for 17 years and counting. With SNAP (food stamp) benefits uncertain for November, they're facing higher than normal demand this fall. We can help. Visit nvbackpackprogram.org to donate online or mail your donation to Nestucca Valley Backpack Program, P.O. Box 793, Pacific City, OR

Speaking of neighbors stepping up to impact food insecurity, Tillamook County Family Y.M.C.A. is



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committed to the cause. Individuals who are impacted by the current Federal Government shut down (SNAP recipients and/or Federal workers) are invited to stop by PAC and order a "PAC Special" at the register. It will include your choice of cold or grilled deli sandwich and a cup of soup or side salad, plus a small

fountain drink, for free. No verification is required: this is offered on the honor system for the duration of the shutdown. The address is 3705 3rd Street, in Tillamook. For more information, email info@tillamookymca.org.

Kiawanda Community Center (KCC) serves senior lunches at 11:30 on Tuesdays (November 11) and Wednesdays (November 12) weekly for \$3 each. (Others may partake for \$6.) They also host Bingo from 1-3 p.m. on Thursdays, weekly. A source describes buy-in as low as \$5 with cash prizes awarded to winners in several categories. The address is included above.

Poets and poetry lovers

of all ages are invited to listen to and read a poem at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, November 18 at the South Tillamook County Library in Pacific City. The library is located off Brooten Road on Camp Street in Pacific City.

Remember that Tillamook County Community Health Centers will provide an All-Ages Walk-in Vaccine Clinic from 1-6 p.m. on Mondays and from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Wednesdays, weekly through November 24, ahead of Thanksgiving week. We can access Covid -19, Flu, and Pneumonia vaccines. The address is 800 Main Avenue in Tillamook. No one will be turned away for an inability

A second option for Holiday Bazaar Saturday arrived to our Fencepost inbox this week. Thanks to Rhonda Wilson for word that Tillamook Elks Lodge will hold a bazaar from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Saturday, December 6. It will include handcrafted items, specialty foods and treats plus photos with and treats from Santa Claus. The address is 1907 3rd Street in Tillamook.

Happy birthday this week to- William Beachy, Jennifer Fitch, Anita Ihnat, Laura Krueger, Julie Love, Melanie Merryman, Rob Seymour, Noel Thun, Mike Trent, Braedan Trost, Lindsey Upright, and Travis Woods.

With food insecurity in the news, here are a few bright spots in Rockaway Beach.

On October 30, Grumpy's Cafe posted to social media that they have started displaying paid tickets for meals marked "Pay It Forward." These are meals that have been purchased in advance and posted on site, with simple instructions:

'If you're hungry and can't make ends meetthese tickets have been paid for. Grab a ticket. Grab a seat and give the ticket to your server and enjoy."

This practice expands on something I first read about as "suspended coffee." The principle there: customers picking up drinks at a coffee house can pay for a "suspended coffee," leaving the receipt available for future visitors who for whatever reason need as-

At press time, other businesses in Rockaway Beach have announced similar projects, and I look forward to hearing from them and acknowledging their efforts

to keep our community fed. If your organization is doing something along these lines, contact me at the email by my photo in the column and I'll reach out.

The City of Rockaway Beach recently announced a food donation box for non-perishable items, to be placed at city hall. Managed by the local group responsible for the Tillamook County Food Security Project, the Rockaway Beach donation center will connect with "folks in need with information on where they can find food assistance in the community," according to Mayor Charles McNeilly's monthly update.

The city's donation box will be available during normal business hours,

Monday—Thursday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., at 276 Highway 101 South. Contact cityhall@corb.us for more information.

It would also be remiss not to mention a longtime Rockaway Beach organization that has been doing great work in food security since its founding in 1999: The Hope Chest. In the past 26 years, the Hope Chest has donated more than \$2,240,000 to causes throughout Tillamook County, with a primary emphasis on providing nutritious food.

One of the Hope Chest's biggest recipients is of course our own Meals for Seniors, which serves meals on site Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and offers delivery service to those unable to leave the house. In addition, The Hope Chest supports the North County Food Bank, which recently moved across the parking lot from its longtime location into the former Rinehart Clinic offices with the opening of the new clinic facility on 101 at Hospital Road.

While Meals for Seniors asks for a \$4 donation for their lunches, their mission is to "to enable the senior citizens of North Tillamook County to continue living independently in their own homes by providing access to nutritious meals and social occasions." They explicitly state on their Web page (https://mealsforseniorsrockawaybeach.org), "A \$4 donation is suggested, but not required, and no one will ever be turned

If you or someone you know requires meal delivery, call (503) 317-8967 to discuss delivery. This service can be lifesaving for those recovering from surgery, a fall, or who otherwise cannot make it to the lunches. Those are served at the dining hall of St. Mary by the Sea, 275 S. Pacific, from 11:30 — 12:30, though the hall always opens at 10:30 for social and coffee time.

But as winter begins, it's worth mentioning The Hope Chest's other work: providing clothing for those in need, particularly for

delicious food, and you

kids who may have outgrown last winter's warm jackets and rain boots.

In February, the Hope Chest's founder and former Rockaway Beach mayor Terri Walhood spoke of a clothing donation project that The Hope Chest supports: "A program they call The Closet. They try to help children that are in need of a pair of shoes, a warm coat, personal items, and so that money helps them." Visit The Hope Chest, 126

Highway 101 South, to contribute or find out more.

Kim Tackett of Simply Charming, 130 Highway 101 N, has just completed her annual Winter Coat Drive, collecting winter coats, gloves, hats, and scarves for children 12 and under. She delivered the collected items last weekend, Nov. 8-9. While this year's drive has ended, Kim's big heart is a resource that's always available.



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oday is Veterans Day and we honor and recognize all those who have served their country and sacrificed so much for everyone's freedom. Thank you all for your service.

Huge thanks go out to the Tillamook PUD crew who have repaired the flagpole outside our Bay City post office, just in time to honor and respect Veterans Day. The Bay City post office is a contract facility and is not maintained by any federal or post office funds. Our community is most grateful for PUD's time and effort.

Congratulations to all those members of the Bay City fire department for the incredible Halloween carnival and haunted house they created. It was a nasty night outside with wind and rain, but many ghosts and goblins braved the weather and showed up in their colorful costumes and boy, were they wowed. The volunteers had created a very creative and quite scary maze-like haunted house, with creatures that jumped out at you, spooky sounds and flashing lights. Next door in the community hall, activities weren't quite as creepy, and many enjoyed the decorated tables and Trunk and Treat activities.



Many thanks to all those who helped with these events, great job. Thanks too to Downies Cafe who donated pies to the winners of various booths.

Bay City is looking to filling four vacancies on the Bay City Planning Commission. Meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Applications can be picked up at city hall. If you have a desire to help steer the growth of Bay City into the future, this would be an ideal committee to serve on.

Donations of non-perishable food items have been pouring in here in Bay City with the barrels at city hall, the library and post office filling up fast. All items from this food drive will be given to the local branch of the Oregon Food Bank to distribute to the eight

food pantries in the county. Thanksgiving will be here soon, and we can all emulate the core of that holiday, sharing. Much gratitude to all those who have donated

The next Bay City Booster potluck and meeting will be held November 21 at the Ad Montgomery community hall, beginning at 11:30 a.m. All are welcome to attend, so come and join us. There is always

can find out more about the Booster Club. Quite soon the club will start putting up decorations and lights all around town, and we are always in need of extra hands to help with this festive project. This year, lights will be added at the new Welcome Park, so the entrance to town on the north end should be very pretty.





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Tillamook FFA earns national honors at 98th National FFA Convention

Tillamook FFA

Tillamook High School FFA members achieved exceptional national success at the 98th National FFA Convention & Expo in Indianapolis, Indiana, earning multiple top honors among more than one million FFA members nationwide.

Members of the Tillamook FFA Chapter earned National top ten honors and National Gold team awards in two career-development events, had a student earn high honors in a proficiency award and celebrated three American FFA Degree recipients, the highest individual honor in the National FFA Organization.

A Career Development Event (CDE) is a competition that allows students to apply knowledge in realworld, hands-on scenarios. These events mirror careers in agriculture and related industries, helping students build technical skills, leadership abilities and professional confidence. From evaluating livestock and solving agricultural business challenges to demonstrating mechanics or food science knowledge, CDEs connect learning to life and prepare students for success in college, careers and beyond.

After winning the state CDE in May, the Tillamook FFA Dairy Cattle Evaluation & Management earned the distinct honor of representing the state of Oregon at the national level. The team placed an impressive 9th place overall, receiving a gold honor. The event evaluates students' skills in dairy cattle evaluation, pedigree interpretation, herd management decisions and oral reasoning. Individual results for team members were as follows:

Tatum Lancaster — 9th Place Individual (Gold)

Bridget Allen — Gold James Gomes (2025 THS Graduate) — Silver

Kylie Hallock — Silver In addition to her team's success, Tatum Lancaster also earned National Gold in

Production - Placement Proficiency Award area, recognizing outstanding handson achievement, leadership and skill development in the dairy industry.

Tillamook's Milk Quality & Products also won top state honors in their respective CDE in May and worked hard to earn a trip to the national event. The team placed 9th place overall, receiving a gold award in a competi-



(Left to right) Lauren Phillips, Matthew Averill, Rhyan West and Abby Blackburn placed ninth place in the Milk Quality & Products competition. Photo courtesy Tillamook FFA

tion that evaluates students on dairy product evaluation, food safety and sanitation, cheese identification, quality testing and industry knowl-

Individual team member results included:

Matthew Averill - Gold Rhyan West - Gold Abby Blackburn - Silver Lauren Phillips - Silver

Three 2024 Tillamook FFA graduates earned the American FFA Degree, the highest honor awarded by the National FFA Organization. This degree recognizes years of achievement through Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) programs, leadership development, community service and significant financial investment



Dairy Cattle Evaluation: (Left to right) James Gomes, Bridget Allen, Kylie Hallock and Tatum Lancaster represented Tillamook in the Dairy Cattle & Evaluation Competition, placing ninth. Photo courtesy Tillamook FFA

and growth in agricultural projects.

Fewer than 0.5% of FFA members nationally qualify to compete at the National Convention, making Tillamook's performance particularly noteworthy.

The recipients were: Peyton Rawe Vivian Seaholm

Logan Lancaster

"Our students represented Tillamook and the state of Oregon with professionalism, humility and excellence," said Tillamook FFA Advisor Hayden Bush. "Their achievements are a reflection of their dedication and the strong support from our school district, families, and community. We are incredibly proud of them."

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A local path to affordable health coverage for small businesses

By MEG ANGIER

Tillamook Area Chamber Of Commerce

As open enrollment season approaches, health insurance becomes a hot topic for many employers and employees. For small businesses in Tillamook County, finding affordable, quality coverage can be one of the biggest challenges in taking care of

their teams. That's why the Tillamook Area Chamber of Commerce has worked to bring a practical option closer to home, a health insurance program available through a partnership with the Bend Chamber of Commerce, PacificSource and local agent Corey Bush at Hudson Insurance.

Several years ago, the Bend Chamber established this program through Oregon legislation, creating access to competitive, high-quality plans for smaller employers. Through our collaboration with them, and with Corey's local expertise, we're able to make this benefit available to Tillamook businesses right here in our own community.

The process is simple. By maintaining an active Tillamook Chamber membership, businesses automatically qualify for an associate membership with the Bend Chamber, which unlocks access to the health insurance program. From there, Corey and his team at Hudson Insurance can sit down with local employers, assess their specific needs, and help determine if one of the six PacificSource plan options is the best fit.

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Tillamook handles North Bend in first round of State Playoffs

WIII CHAPPELL Headlight Editor

In a strong start to their playoff push, the Tillamook High School Cheesemakers outgunned the North Bend High School Bulldogs in a 49-12 victory at home on November 7.

Senior standout Griffyn Boomer again led the way for the Mooks, with over 200 combined yards and four touchdowns, with Jakoby Goss chipping in two and Aden Camacho Garcia one, while quarterback Kevin Hurliman added five passing touchdowns to his season total. The win sets up a road rematch with the league rival Scappoose Indians in the second round, where the Mooks will look to reverse the result from the teams' regular season matchup.

Tillamook began the game against North Bend at their own 35 after a squib kick from the Bulldogs, with a second down holding putting the Cheesemakers behind the chains and a short completion on third down leaving the Mooks with a

took over at their own 25 and went backwards on three plays, with a rush for loss and two incomplete passes bringing out the punt team. But Tillamook's return man touched the rolling ball around the Mooks' 40 before allowing a Bulldog to recover the ball at the 29, prolonging the drive.

The Bulldogs' luck turned on the next play, when a running back put the ball on the ground for Emiliano Rojas Veja to recover for the Cheesemakers at the 30.

On a tunnel screen on first down, Boomer again found nothing but daylight, breaking free for the 70-yard receiving touchdown, and an Alfonso Esquivel Gomez PAT putting the Mooks ahead 14-0 with eight and a half to play in the first quarter.

Taking over at their own 35, North Bend's offense was called for two holding penalties in three plays and a short rush and two incompletions brought up a fourth and long and another punt.

Tillamook's offense started their third drive at their own 35, with a holding an Aden Camacho Garcia touchdown rush. A deflected PAT missed the uprights, leaving the Mooks ahead 20-0 with 3:15 to go in the

A squib kick returned possession to the Bulldogs at the 22, and they again failed to find any traction against the stout Mooks defense, bringing the punt team on after three downs.

Camacho Garcia returned the punt to North Bend's 30 and picked up eight yards on a first down rush, but the Mooks momentum stalled with a recovered fumble and penalty bringing up a fourth and 11.

Going for it, Hurliman looked for Boomer deep, but Hunter Christensen intercepted the attempt, giving possession back to North Bend at the 11 after a holding penalty was called on the interception return.

Conner Johnson got the drive going with an 11-yard rush, and Dylan Swanson continued the momentum with a five-yard pickup on first down, and seven-yard pickup on third and four to



Photo courtesy of Jessica Garcia

The Mook defense held the Bulldogs to 12 points in the win.

Lucero Jr. continued the momentum after subbing in at quarterback, picking up another first down on backto-back direct snap rushes. Lucero picked up seven on first down and kept the drive rolling on third down with a four-yard rush for a first, but after a Jackson Swanson pickup of five on first, the drive stalled and the Bulldogs turned the ball over on downs at the 18.

On second and 10, Hurliman found Goss wide to the left and after making one Bulldog defender miss, the receiver outran the rest of the team for an 82-yard touchdown. A direct-snap rush by Boomer succeeded for the two-point conversion, pushing the Mook lead to 35-0 with six minutes to go

North Bend took over at their own 15, and a seconddown pass to Joshua Sullivan pushed the Bulldogs to the Mook 42, before a completion to Lucero pushed them into Tillamook territory. Two more rushes kept North Bend moving, and the Bulldogs again found their way into the Cheesemaker red zone, where a completion to Parker Pruett set up a first and goal from the one and quarterback-keeper touchdown rush from Conner Johnson on second down. Nick Jorge hit the left upright on the PAT, leaving the Bulldogs trailing 35-6 with just over a minute before the break.

Tillamook's next drive began at their own 32, and after Hurliman took a sack on first down, two completions brought up a first down with five seconds remaining in the half. A quick hook and ladder moved the Mooks just inside Bulldog territory with one second left and a 15yard completion to Boomer brought the half to an end.

The Bulldogs began the

second half with the ball at the 25, and Sullivan picked up 25 on a first down completion, pushing North Bend into Cheesemaker territory. North Bend picked up eight with two rushes, and after a third-down incompletion, a Swanson rush for three moved the chains on fourth.

Three straight incompletions brought a fourth and ten from the 40 and another attempt for Lucero fell to the turf on fourth, giving the Mooks the ball.

A fumbled snap on first down was recovered by the Bulldogs, giving North Bend another bite at the apple, and three rushes gave them a first down just outside Tillamook's red zone. A play-action play caught the Cheesemakers unawares, and Matthew Swank danced down the touchdown for a touchdown, with a failed two-point conversion attempt leaving the score 35-12 with just under eight to play in the

Luke Korbus fielded an attempted onside kick successfully for the Mooks and their second drive of the half began at their own 41. A Camacho Garcia rush and horse collar penalty called against North Bend pushed the Mooks to the Bulldog 41, and a toss-sweep to Boomer on second down from the 39 saw the receiver find another huge hole for his fourth touchdown of the night.

After an offsides penalty against North Bend on the Mooks initial PAT, a direct snap to Tuiolemotu on a two-point conversion attempt failed, leaving Tillamook up 41-12 with 6:42 left in the

A strong kick return set the Bulldogs up just inside Tillamook territory for their next drive, but back-toback penalties brought up a second and 24 and Boomer

picked off a pass attempt at the Mooks' 37.

Eli Wootton took a Hurliman pass for 12 yards on first down and a horse collar penalty tacked on another 10, putting the Mooks inside North Bend's 40, before three penalties in a row brought up second and a mile for the Mooks from their own 40 and forced the Cheesemakers into a punt

moments later. North Bend started at their own 25 and Sullivan picked up 12 on a seconddown reception, but the Bulldog drive then stalled out, and the Cheesemakers took down after a turnover on downs at the North Bend 41 shortly into the final quarter.

Camacho Garcia picked up 13 on a first-down rush and followed up with another rush for nine to put the Mooks in the red zone. A penalty gave the Cheesemakers a first and goal from the five and Hurliman found Jakoby Goss on second down for a receiving touchdown. A successful Esquivel PAT stretched the lead to 49-12 as the running clock ticked past seven minutes left in the

The Bulldogs' next drive ended quickly when Brodee Leno intercepted a Johnson pass and returned it to the North Bend 20, and after reserve Hunter Phillips picked up a first and goal, the Tillamook starters returned to field and entered the victory formation to seal the win.

Tillamook improved to 8-2 on the season with the victory and will return to action in the second-round next week in Scappoose. The Indians beat Baker High School 49-0 in the first round and the Mooks will seek to avenge a 28-39 defeat in Scappoose on October 17.



Photo courtesy of Jessica Garcia

The Cheesemaker offense was hitting on all cylinders Putting up 49 points.

fourth and five.

A fake punt fooled the Bulldogs, and Peyton Troxel rushed for a first down inside Bulldog territory before an unsportsmanlike conduct set Tillamook back to its own 47. Back-to-back rushes from Methias Tuiolemotu regained the yardage for the Mooks and brought up a first down from the Bulldog 41.

After taking a direct snap and failing to find a hole in the pile, Boomer bounced outside and found nothing but open space, rushing for a touchdown and the early 7-0

North Bend's offense

penalty on first setting them behind the chains before a 25-yard completion to Jakoby Goss on third and long made up the deficit and put the Mooks in Bulldog territory. On second and five Tuiolemotu took a direct snap straight up the gut for a 15-yard pickup and a Kevin Hurliman completion to Max Abrogoua on the ensuing first down put the Mooks inside the 10.

Facing third and two, Tuiolemotu converted on another direct snap, giving Tillamook a first and goal from the two and setting up bring up a fresh set of downs. Lukas Seidner met Swanson in the backfield on first down for a one-yard loss and back-to-back incompletions brought the Bulldog punt

team back onto the field. Tillamook took over at their own 43, and Boomer struck immediately, taking a Hurliman shovel pass 67 yards to the house, with an Esquivel Gomez PAT extending the lead to 27-0 with ten and a half minutes left in the

Conner Johnson took a quarterback keeper for ten yards on first, and Michael





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——SPORTS

Cheesemaker soccer breaks 18-year playoff drought

WIII CHAPPELL Headlight Editor

Riding a nearly twodecade playoff losing streak into a matchup with Marist High School on November 5, the Tillamook High School Cheesemakers soccer team triumphed over the Spartans 3-2 in a come-from-behind. overtime victory.

The Cheesemakers en-

tered the game on the back of a ten-game stretch where they had won nine games and were propelled to victory by two goals from Anton Voigt, and the game-winning goal from Juan Deniz.

'With all the talented teams that we've had at Tillamook recently, you might say this was a bit overdue, but it was definitely a very big win," said Tillamook Head

Coach Graham Allan. "It was a very long game, the boys were exhausted, and they were running on empty at the end of the game."

After a successful season that saw the Mooks qualify for the playoffs for the fifth consecutive time and finish second in the Cowapa League, the Cheesemakers drew a first-round matchup at the Sky Em League Champion Spartans in Eugene.

Tillamook had last won a playoff game on November 6, 2007, defeating the La Grande High Tigers on the road. Tillamook was ranked the number eight team in the state to the Spartans' number 13 ranking at the end of the season, however the Cheesemakers were also down three players for the match due to injuries.

The Mooks fell into an early 2-0 hole in the first half, but Marist reminded of the adage that a 2-0 lead is the most precarious in soccer, as Voigt cut the lead in half before the break and knotted the score in the second half, sending the game to over-

"We played really good defense, and we were able to shut them down in the second half," Allan said. "The whole team played very, very well."

Deniz netted what turned out to be the game winner on an assist from Voigt in the second overtime period, and the Mooks held on from there for the win to advance to the second round of the playoffs where they faced Stayton on Saturday (result unavailable).

Pirates end season on high note

By MIKE WEBER

For The Headlight Herald

The Neah-Kah-Nie High Pirates capped their OSAA Class 2A football Special District 1 schedule with a 52-20 win over the Rainier High Columbians (1-5 SD1, 3-6 overall) October 31 on Senior Night at Neah-Kah-Nie High School in Rocka-

Three Pirate seniors -Noah Scovel, Brady Douma and Nathaniel Tinnes were honored for their contributions to the football program the last four years in a special pre-game ceremony while accompanied by their family members.

With the win, a much-improved Pirate squad, guided

by fourth-year Coach Alejandro Quintana, concluded the year with a 2-4 SD1 record (2-6 overall), taking fifth place in the seven-team league standings. A year ago, the Pirates won just one game and finished in last place in the league.

"Beating Rainier sure was a good way to end the year and it was a good way for our three seniors to conclude their career," said Quintana. "All year long, Brady did a great job of pulling the team together and all three of those guys were awesome. It was unfortunate that Noah had an injury in our first game and so he was only able to play in a couple of games this year."

The Pirates had a standout showing in the ground

game versus the Columbians, amassing a total of 456 yards rushing. Junior running back Daniel Sargent led the Pirates offense with 14 carries for 269 yards rushing and scored five touchdowns. Pirate quarterback Douma (4-for-4 passing) had a touchdown pass to sophomore receiver Gabe Lyons.

"The team is getting better, and our defense improved a lot this year," said Quintana. "Our offensive line was better this year and that was a big reason why we improved a lot on offense too. Defensively, we'll have some guys who can tackle really well that will be coming back next year."

In addition to the victory over the Columbians, the Pirates also notched a 53-6

win on the road over the Vernonia High Loggers (0-6 SD1, 0-9 overall) on October 3, setting season-high point total.

In an October 17 home game versus the SD1 champion and No. 5-ranked Clatskanie High Tigers (5-0 SD1, 9-0 overall), the Pirates played outstanding for half of the contest, trailing just 19-13 at halftime, before the Tigers were able to take control of the contest in the second half for a 55-26 win.

"Our league had three teams (Clatskanie, Knappa, Nestucca) in our league that qualified for the state playoffs, so it's a real tough league to compete in," said Quintana. "We had Clatskanie on the ropes at halftime, and it was probably

the best half that we played all season. We played really well in for half the game, but then we just couldn't do too much in the second half.

Noah Scovel, a wide receiver/linebacker suffered an injury early in the season and his absence was noticed in both leadership and talent.

"We're really going to miss Noah and his leadership ability next year," said Quintana. "Unfortunately, he didn't play a whole lot this year, but he was still a big part of our team, while nursing an injury all year long. Brady was throwing the ball well all year long, so we're really going to miss him next year too. Nathaniel did a great job in helping improve our offensive line and he always caused trouble for

our opponents on defense as well and we'll miss him.'

Beyond the improved play, the Pirates also had eight players who were selected for SD1 All League Awards. Those players included Daniel Sargent (Second Team running back/ linebacker) and junior Ashur Ortman (Second Team offensive lineman). Douma (quarterback/punter), Lyons (receiver), freshman Levi Sargent (receiver), junior Everson Morton (defensive lineman), sophomore Patrick Hardy (linebacker) and sophomore Luke Scovel (kick returner) each earned Honorable Mention Awards. The Pirates also received the Sportsmanship Team Award.

NRFPD expands water rescue readiness

Since responding to the 2021 flood at the Neskowin Creek RV Park, the Nestucca Rural Fire Protection District (NRFPD) has transformed its approach to water rescue through years of focused training, new protective equipment and strengthened partnerships.

In 2021, NRFPD firefighters waded through icy, chest-deep water to reach

trapped campers without specialized rescue gear, wearing only their duty uniforms and personal flotation devices (PFDs). That incident revealed the community's need for a dedicated water rescue capability, one that could respond not just to floods. but to all emergencies in the district's rivers, lakes, bays and coastal waters.

Today, NRFPD stands ready with certified Water Rescue Team members, trained through Crux Rescue and certified through the Oregon Department of **Public Safety Standards** and Training (DPSST). The district now maintains specialized dry suits, helmets, gloves and rescue-grade flotation devices, as well as a water-tight mini trauma kit

that allows rescuers to treat immediate life-threatening injuries on the spot before moving victims to safer locations for continued care. More than a dozen

NRFPD personnel are now certified as Swiftwater and Flood Rescue Technicians, with an additional twelve trained as Rope Rescue Technicians, also certified through DPSST. These capabilities enable responders to reach and stabilize victims in steep terrain and challenging water environments across the district. NRFPD's members train regularly to maintain proficiency in both swift water and rope rescue operations. Working closely with Crux Rescue, Netarts-Oceanside Rural Fire Protection District, Nestucca Adventures and other regional partners, the district has developed

hands-on training scenarios in real-world conditions, including steep coastal terrain and flooded environments. The Neskowin Creek RV Park, once the site of a significant rescue, is now a valued training partner, offering the use of its pool for swimming technique training and rescue practice that builds strength, precision, and teamwork.

"Training has become an integral part of who we are, how we prepare, and how we better serve the community we care so much about," said Division Chief of Training Jeremy Neel. "Every hour of training, every partnership, and every new skill we develop ensures that when the next emergency happens, we're ready," said Fire Chief Jim Oeder.

Through cooperation

with the U.S. Coast Guard, Netarts-Oceanside Rural Fire Protection District, North Lincoln Fire and Rescue, and the Tillamook County Sheriff's Office, NRFPD now provides initial water rescue response throughout the Nestucca Bay, the Pacific Ocean surf zone, and inland waterways. Together, these agencies ensure rapid, coordinated service to anyone in need.

From a single night of flooding to a fully equipped and trained Water Rescue Program, NRFPD's journey reflects its commitment to continuous improvement and community safety. The district remains dedicated to protecting lives wherever water and emergencies meet.

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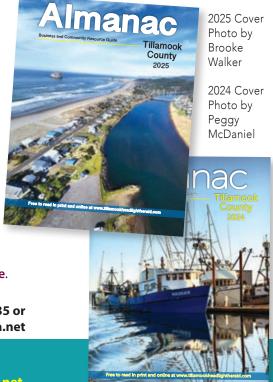
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Tillamook Forest Center highlighted in 50 for 50 public art campaign

Oregon DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY

The bridge gate at the Oregon Department of Forestry's (ODF) Tillamook Forest Center (TFC) has been selected as part of the 50-for-50 initiative. The campaign, developed by the Oregon Arts Commission, chose 50 works of art to mark 50 years of the one percent for art program for public buildings.

"We are thrilled to have the gate chosen as one of the 50 artworks out of nearly 3,000 to represent Oregon's connection to art in public places," said Densie Berkshire, Director of the Tillamook Forest Center.

The functional gate made of Douglas-fir and galvanized steel was installed in 2008 on the footbridge over the Wilson River at the back entrance to the TFC. The overall shape of the gate echoes the architectural form of the Tillamook Interpretive Center's facade, while the design represents a new tree growing from a nurse stump.

"A nurse log is the result of a past generation which creates an opening in the canopy promoting future growth; from a past life comes the bedding and nutrients for the future," said Eric Robertson the artist who created the gate. "The Tillamook Forest Center offers the experience and knowledge of the past to encourage generations with a new understanding of their

relationship to the natural environment."

The Tillamook Forest Center is the region's largest forest-based learning center and outdoor classroom facility, located in the heart of the Tillamook State Forest. The TFC is staffed by ODF employees and a dedicated group of volunteers.

"Our mission is to help people build a deeper connection with Oregon's state forests through experience and exploration," said Berkshire. "We have many innovative programs and hands-on exhibits in the 13,500 square-foot center aimed at helping visitors gain a greater understanding about what a forest is, the unique history of the Tillamook State Forest, and how it is managed today. Art like this gate is just another great way to help people to connect with the forest."

According to the Oregon Arts Commission, the "50 for 50" campaign is an invitation to rediscover Oregon through the lens of public art. Located in state buildings and public spaces from Portland to Pendelton, these works are available for all to enjoy. They exemplify the program's mission to make art an integral part of daily life while encouraging the exploration of Oregon's rich landscapes and communities.

The "50 for 50" campaign includes:

Interactive Maps: Plan a

journey to view the 50 works and explore the broader col-

Archival Highlights: Access historical documents and process materials through a dedicated "50 for 50" digital portal; and

Collection Insights: Learn more about the history of public art in Oregon and the artists who have contributed to the collection.

To read and see more about the bridge and other 49 chosen works go here: 50 for 50: Celebrating 50 Years of Oregon's - Public Art

The TFC is located in the heart of the Tillamook State Forest at milepost 22 of State Highway 6. The center's fall hours are Wednesday to Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The center closes to the public for the winter beginning Dec. 1.

Consider combining viewing the river gate with their next "big" event at the TFC—the Rain Festival Nov. 15-16. The festival celebrates Oregon's rainy season in the forest with: Mushroom Walks at 11:30 a.m. each day, rain-related crafts, displays, a special typewriter with a forest view and an outdoor salmon migration game. Start or finish the day at the rainy fashion photo booth to show off your rain gear and share on social media.

For more on the TFC exhibits, unique outdoor areas and special events see the TFC homepage.

HEROES' ETERNAL REST-

Virgil and Fay Simmons laid to rest at Arlington National Cemetery

By PAMELA SPANG

Under a crisp autumn sky, the solemn hills of Arlington National Cemetery welcomed two of America's steadfast guardians to their final repose on Monday, October 6, 2025. Virgil "Bub" Simmons, a decorated World War II veteran and former mayor of Bay City, Oregon, and his devoted wife, Fay Simmons, were laid to rest in a private ceremony that drew their two daughters, Roxanne Simmons-Isaac and Pamela Spang, fellow veterans, and a quiet contingent of dignitaries. Their interment, marked by the precise cadence of a military honor guard and the haunting strains of "Taps," stood as a poignant tribute to a lifetime of quiet courage and unbreakable partnership.

Virgil Simmons, 99. passed away on December 2. 2022, in his beloved hometown of Bay City, Oregon, surrounded by the Pacific winds he had known since childhood. Born in 1923 in the small coastal community, he was drafted in the U.S. Army in 1943 and served as a staff sergeant with the 96th Infantry Division in the Pacific Theater. Wounded twice—once in the Philippines and again on Okinawa-he earned two Purple

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Hearts and a Bronze Star for valor amid some of the war's fiercest island campaigns. Returning home after the war, Bub dedicated his life to the City of Bay City, working for the city as Superintendent of Public Works for over 29 years as well as serving as mayor for 10 years. His obituary, published in the Tillamook Headlight Herald, captured the essence of a man who bridged battlefields and town halls with unwavering integrity.

Fay Simmons, 91, preceded her husband in death on November 17, 2022, also in Bay City. A devoted wife and wonderful mother, Fay was a truly beautiful woman inside and out. Fay moved to Tillamook with her family in 1935, when she was 5 years old. Fay's own obituary in the Tillamook Headlight Herald highlighted her gentle fortitude, and nurturing of a family that mirrored the Simmons' deep roots in the coastal town.

The couple's joint burial, a rare distinction at Arlington, honored not only Virgil's combat service but Fay's vital role as a spouse. Standing next to the flag-draped urn as a 21-gun salute echoed across the Potomac, Chaplain Captain Philip Morlock noted

this about Bub "In his life -he honored the flag, now this flag will honor him.'

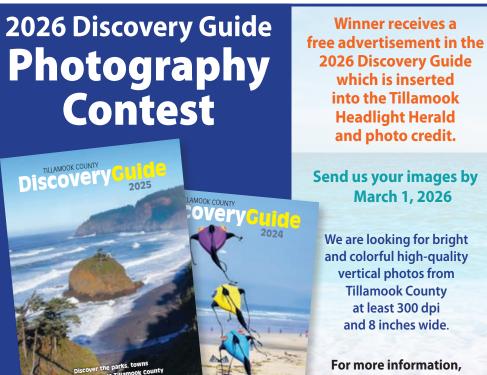
Morlock continued, "Arlington National Cemetery, where for over 160 years, our nation has honored fallen warriors and patriots. These hallowed grounds are a lasting memorial to the men and women who have faithfully serviced our nation. There are over 420,000 Americans buried here. As you look out at these rows of headstones, each stone a brick in the foundation of freedom upon which we stand today. I encourage you to remember this, no place in Arlington cemetery can be purchased, each is earned through honorable service."

Morlock concluded the service with a reading of the poem "Crossing the Bar" by Alfred, Lord Tennyson.

The folded flag was presented to the daughters, ensuring no veteran is ever buried alone. From the rugged Oregon coast to the marble rows of Arlington, Bub and Fav Simmons now rest side by side, their story complete.

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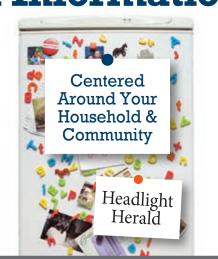
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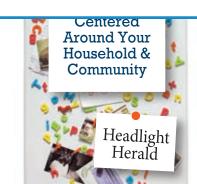
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Born and raised in

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Knappa, Pedersen started on

the path towards becoming

a firefighter by becoming an

ambulance explorer scout

when he was a freshman in

high school before joining

the local fire department as

a volunteer when he was 18.

Pedersen worked his way up

through the volunteer ranks,

becoming an assistant chief

by 1996 and continuing to

volunteer until his move to

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A lifelong drive and passion for fighting fires brought Randolph "Tad" Pedersen to Garibaldi in October, where he now serves as the chief of looking forward to helping the department bounce back

New Fire Chief takes reins in Garibaldi

Photo courtesy Tad Pedersen

Pedersen started his work career with Medix Ambulance Service, where he spent 20 years, before moving on to the state fire marshal's office, staying there until 2020. He then became a division chief for Columbia River Fire and Rescue in St. Helens until 2022, when his position was eliminated because of budget issues, after which he moved to Cowlitz County's building department.

Becoming a fire chief was always a goal, Pedersen said, but he had been waiting for the right opportunity, foregoing applying when the position in Knappa became

apply in Garibaldi because he was familiar with the community from his time as a fire marshal and believed he could help the department start a new chapter.

"I was one of the most active volunteers in Knappa and being an actual fire chief was kind of my ultimate goal," Pedersen said. "At the time Knappa was hiring a chief, I felt that they needed some outside influence, so I did not apply for that position, but when I saw this position, I kind of felt the same thing that here's an agency that would benefit from a different perspective, no preconceived ideas or opinions."

Now that he's in the role, Pedersen said that he has been impressed by the department, which currently has eight highly active volunteers and one part-time staffer in addition to Pedersen. Several long-time volunteers resigned alongside Marugg and Pedersen said that he will focus on training up the current volunteers, while actively recruiting new ones.

"There is still a good, solid, core group and that's going to be our primary focus is recruitment, retention, training and getting that core group more experience," Pedersen said.

Pedersen encouraged community members interested in contributing to the fire department to reach out. stressing that running into burning buildings was not a requirement to volunteer. "There's 101 other jobs in the fire department that absolutely anybody can be part of. If people are interested in volunteering, they should contact us and we will find them a role," Pedersen said.

As he gets more settled into the role, Pedersen said that he would also like to expand the department's activities, starting with business inspections in conjunction with the state fire marshal's office.

Pedersen said that he would then like to increase the variety of medical calls that the department responds to from those for cardiac arrest incidents and car accidents to anything an ambulance responds to.

"I have a pretty long background in running medical calls and some of our other people work part-time on the ambulance, so they're very familiar with the ambulance system," Pedersen said. "So, I really think it'll be a positive thing and I think the community anticipates that's what our role is."

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from Monday through Friday, when showers became scattered before dissipating. However, monitoring stations in the coast range recorded significantly higher rainfall totals, with a station near

of the month distribution or

reduced, Wentzel said that

demand will only intensify.

Compounding matters

funding as well as food com-

modities received from the

of Agriculture's Emergency

United States Department

Food Assistance Program

have also been reduced or

not received, according to

Wentzel. While the food

funding, grants and dona-

cannot offset the losses in

federal support.

tions from individuals, they

say the federal funding pot

as new provisions for SNAP

are set to take effect in Janu-

ary, including more frequent

passed in the Republican

spending bill this summer

of money, starts to shrink,

we can somewhat offset

"When one pot of money,

bank also receives state

she expects the uptick in

further, the food bank's

Foss on the Nehalem River seeing 4.12 inches from just Monday to Thursday.

Netarts, Oceanside and the City of Tillamook experienced a multi-hour power outage on Wednesday afternoon, while residents from Garibaldi north to the county line were treated to the same on Thursday when Pacific Power's transmission line from Clatsop County was knocked offline.

reviews of participants' eligibility. The costs of that administrative work will fall to state governments, which administer the program on behalf of the federal government, reducing the

participants.

While Wentzel said it was unclear how much those changes would reduce benefits for participants, she said that the shortfall could not be solved by food banks as SNAP is able to provide nine meals with the same funding the food banks need to provide one. Wentzel urged concerned residents to contact their federal legislators to encourage them to find a different path forward.

funds available to program

"It's really important to be candid about the fact that the food bank cannot be the solution to this problem," Wentzel said. "This problem is absolutely beyond the capacity of a food bank network to solve, so that also means we are putting a lot of effort into encouraging people to advocate for healthy communities.

Beyond the impacts for those enrolled in SNAP, Wentzel also pointed out that the program generated around \$500,000 in monthly revenue for local businesses, which is now also at risk.

Wentzel encouraged residents to donate to the food bank or local pantries, saying that the food bank's buying power could multiply the power of cash donations, while encouraging residents who preferred to give food to buy a second of whatever item they purchased at the grocery store for themselves.

Residents needing to access food can find a local pantry at oregonfoodfinder. org and Wentzel said that while pantries are officially open to people earning up to 300% of the federal poverty level (around \$47,000 for an individual, \$63,000 for a couple or \$97,000 for a family of four) nobody would be turned away.

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as the uncertainty around SNAP came into focus, Wentzel said that the food pantry saw a 30% surge in visits, with final data still being collected.

The uptick comes at a fraught time for the organization and its partners, as Wentzel said the food bank's statewide funding has been stagnant since 2017 while visits have doubled, a trend that has only accelerated in recent months.

"We've been in a state of crisis really for several months. At this point, we're seeing unprecedented levels of visits to our pantries before the government shut down, before any of this was coming along," Wentzel said.

If November's SNAP benefits are further delayed from their normal beginning

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that," Wentzel said, "but at the end of the day the amount of food that's flowing through our network is way down.' Looming on the horizon are yet more storm clouds,

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Tillamook County Shop with a Cop Celebrates 21 years

On Saturday, November 15th, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., the Pacific Restaurant will host a Tri-Tip Dinner Fundraiser and Celebration to mark the 21st anniversary of Tillamook County's Shop with a Cop program.

The purpose of Shop with a Cop is to build lasting trust and positive relationships between Tillamook County's children and local law enforcement officers. Over the years, the program has supported hundreds of children in need—and now, some of the children we once served are bringing their own children to participate.

Join us for a delicious Tri-Tip dinner, enjoy the fun atmosphere, and help support this meaningful cause. Local law enforcement officers will be on hand serving dinner-and sharing plenty of their

signature corny jokes.

The Shop with a Cop program was originally founded in 1978 by Georgia Schreiner and a police officer in Las Vegas, Nevada. It was created to give children who have had difficult or negative experiences with law enforcement the opportunity to build positive connections—while purchasing Christmas gifts for themselves and their families. These children may have experienced family crises, loss, or other traumatic circumstances. Since its introduction to Tillamook County, the program has thrived and become a beloved annual event in partnership with Tillamook Law Enforcement and Fred Meyer.

This December, our goal is to take 50 children, ages 4–10, shopping at

Fred Meyer on Saturday, December 20th. Each child will receive \$150 to spend on gifts for themselves and their loved ones.

To date, the program has supported more than 1,250 children in Tillamook County—and we look forward to continuing that tradition for many years to come. No tickets are required for the dinnerjust come by, enjoy your meal, and pay at the door. Take-out orders will also be available.

You are welcome to donate to the program anytime of the year by mailing a check to The Friends of Tillamook Police, 210 Laurel Avenue, Tillamook, OR 97141.

For further information, please contact: Chief Nick Troxel at 503-842-2522 or ntroxel@tillamookor.gov



Chief Nick Troxel (right) and School Resource Officer Trent Olson (left) both lent a hand at the fundraiser last year hosted at the Pacific Restaurant in this Headlight Herald file photo.

Tillamook secures \$7.2 million for water main line project

WILL CHAPPELL Headlight Editor

Tillamook's city council approved an interim financing agreement for \$7.2 million with Business Oregon, putting them on track to secure a loan in the same amount to support the replacement of the city's main water transmission line from the Port of Tillamook Bay on November 3.

The project will see the city's water supply line relocated from underneath the runway at Tillamook Airport and upgraded for seismic resiliency and carries a total

price tag of \$20 million.

Funding for the remainder of the project's budget is coming from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, which allocated \$12 million to it and an unrelated \$800,000 grant. Originally budgeted at \$18 million, the cost of the project increased

with inflation over the last five years, leaving the city looking for ways to bridge the gap.

The interim financing agreement entered at November's meeting provides the city with money it will need to secure the eventual, low-interest loan from Business Oregon's special public works fund to cover the cost of construction, according to City Manager Sean Lewis. That loan will be repaid by the city over the course of 30 years using funds generated by a water rate increase approved by city council in

Consor North America was contracted in July 2023 to design the new transmission line, which is expected to come in at around 17,000 feet of new, 24-inch-diameter, seismically-resilient pipe that will allow the city continued water access in the event of an earthquake.



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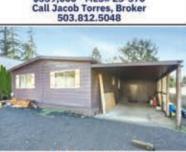


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from around the globe. **Ancestry Library Edition** is the largest online family history resource available, providing access to more than 20 billion historical records. Whether you're a beginner or a seasoned genealogist, this collection allows users to uncover personal histories through documents that span centuries and continents. Records include U.S. census data, military records, birth and death certificates, immigration and passenger lists, and so much more.

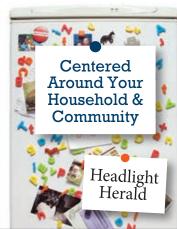
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Beyond the Call A few days ago, on our regular walk to get our mail at the Cloverdale Post Office, my wife and I noticed a broken branch lying precariously high above and directly over Campground St. My fear was that in one of our winter storms, which are fast approaching, the branch would fall on an unsuspecting senior citizen (me) or on one of many school age children who walk up and down the hill to get to and from school.

The branch was far too high to be removed with anything but a bucket truck, but very near to where this "widow maker" was perched is the sign announcing that Campground St. is a "public road not maintained by the county,."

However, assuming if the Tillamook County Road Department couldn't help they'd at least be able to steer me in the right direction to get some assistance, I called.

In a very short time I received a phone call from Jerry Markee. He was at the intersection of Campground Street and Parkway Drive but couldn't see the branch I was calling about. I walked down the hill and pointed out the branch. That was on Monday afternoon, November 3.

By early Tuesday afternoon, November 4, Markee and a crew of three had brought the county's bucket truck, removed the branch I was concerned about and one other "widow maker" they spied in the process. I thanked Markee and told him I thought his response to my call and to solving the issue was beyond the call of duty. "I wouldn't want anyone to get hurt," Markee said, "safety first."

I learned in the process that Markee has recently been named Foreman for the Tillamook County Road Department. My hat is off to whomever made that decision. In my book Markee is definitely the right man for the job.

> Fred Bassett Cloverdale



GARDENING MATTERS

... Though Poppies Grow...

Tn all the 23 years I have been writing this column, only once did I write a column that would be published on Veterans Day, and that one featured of all things - orchids. When I was mentioning this to my dear sister Lynn, she suggested I write about the red poppies that are associated with Veterans Day. "A brilliant idea," I said, but then I realized I knew very little about the tradition of poppies connected to soldiers. So, I did some research and found an interesting story.

The end of World War I hostilities occurred on November 11, 1918: the 11th month, the 11th day, at 11 a.m. While Americans celebrate our veterans on November 11, many of the World War I allies – England, Australia, Canada, and New Zealand to name a few – also celebrate but call it Remembrance Day or Armistice Day. As a child, I remember the US referring to it as Armistice Day, too. President



Eisenhower changed the name to "Veterans Day" in 1954 to include veterans of World War II as well, but my parents continued to refer to it as Armistice Day long after that.

The red poppy has been a symbol that honors fallen military since before November 11, 1918. We have a Canadian physician, Lt. Col. John McCrae to thank for that. His poem "In Flanders Field" was a tribute to the soldiers at the second battle of Ypres, Belgium from April to May in 1915, where Lt. Col. McRae was witness to the devastation.

In early 1915, the Germans started using chlorine gas against the allied forces. In only 10 minutes, there were 6,000 French casualties at that battle in Ypres. McCrae's brigade lost half of his men in the first 17 days. One of them was a close friend, Alexis Helmer, killed on May 2. Mc-Crae performed the burial himself and as he stood at Helmer's grave, he looked around to see red poppies

Although the ground had been destroyed by mortar fire, chlorine gas and countless other environmental concerns, poppies grew around the graves. Seemingly nothing – not even the high sodium or increased levels of lime could deter the red blooms. Poppies decorated almost every grave in the

growing amid the graves

in the field.

As McCrae rode in the back of an ambulance overlooking the battlefield a few days later, he wrote the poem "In Flanders Field," probably Canada's

most well-known literary

"In Flanders fields the poppies grow Between the crosses,

row on row, That mark our place;

and in the sky The larks, still bravely singing, fly

Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago We lived, felt dawn, saw

sunset glow, Loved and were loved,

and now we lie In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe: To you from failing

hands we throw The torch; be yours to

hold it high. If ye break faith with us

We shall not sleep, though poppies grow In Flanders fields."

On January 28, 1918, McCrae died from pneumonia, just 4 days after he was promoted to the

consulting physician of the First British Army. Sadly, he would never see the end of the war nor see the impact of his poem. Canadians, Brits, Aussies and New Zealanders wear a red poppy to remember the fallen of all wars. Americans borrow from

Artificial poppies have been worn since about 1921, not only to commemorate the battles, but

this tradition for Memorial

also to raise funds to support veterans and activeduty military. They have become a powerful symbol of peace and hope.

So, today, as we honor our Veterans from all US wars past and present, please remember the sacrifices these men and women - and their families - have made over the years to keep our country and our democracy safe.



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Yes - 25

No - 65

Maybe - 10

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OPINION

FENCEPOSTS

The neighborhood Halloween party at Wendy Kunkel and Dave Audet's home was spooktacular. Some attendees dressed in costumethere were witches, pirates, cowgirls, John Lennon and a hobo-and some did not, but all had a good time. Treats were in abundance: ham and baked beans, cold cuts and crackers, veggies and a corn salsa salad, and Halloween cookies. Tricks? Well, no one owned up to any. Thanks, Wendy and Dave, for a fun holiday celebration.

The Cape Meares Com-

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munity Association (CMCA) invites Cape Meares residents and property owners to a community meeting on November 15 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Barbara Bennett Community Center. The morning will begin with a presentation by the CMCA Board about resiliency projects here in our village. CMCA was recently selected by the state to participate in a statewide project that will shape future resilience policies in Oregon. Dave Audet, president of CMCA, states that, "Community engage-



ment is the key to achieving our goals." He is looking forward to a good turnout here in Cape Meares.

After the resiliency discussion, a representative from the Tillamook Estuaries Partnership will give a presentation on eelgrass monitoring. Those of us who walk the beach here frequently have noticed an increase in cut eelgrass washing up on our shore in the past few years; this is a hot topic in the community. The eelgrass presentation will be followed by one from Trout Unlimited regarding the Salmon Superhighway Project at Flower Pot Creek. You may recognize this name as the spot where Bayocean Road was closed for seven weeks to allow construction of a bridge; again, a topic of much conversation here in the village. Attend the CMCA session on November 15 to ask questions, give input and bring up any topic of concern for the community.

Wendy Burroughs led

a fundraising campaign on behalf of the Cape Meares Book Group to purchase more book kits for the Tillamook County Library. Enough money was raised to buy three book kits of 10 books each to be used by local book clubs. The Cape Meares group was allowed to make suggestions as to which books to purchase. The library ended up buying Long Island by Colm Tóibín. There Are Rivers in the Sky by Elif Shafak and James by Percival Everett. Inside each book is a lovely plate featuring the CMCA logo and the words, "This book is a gift from the generous community of Cape Meares." There is also a quote from author

Malorie Blackman on the plates: "Reading is an exercise in empathy—an exercise in walking in someone else's shoes." The Cape Meares Book Group will be reading There Are Rivers in the Sky as their November book selection. The Tillamook County Library Foundation created a page on its website specifically for Book Club Kit donations; check it out at tillamookcountvlibrarvfoundation.org/book-club-kits.

That beautiful new redwood bench at the south beach access in Cape Meares is now sporting a gorgeous stone foundation. It is truly a work of art. Great job, John Olmsted and helpers.



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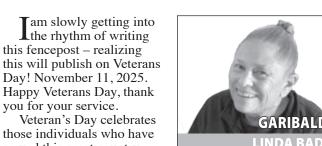
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those individuals who have served this great country in one or more of our US Armed Forces. (Thanks, Dad.) At the end of World War I, in 1918, Armistice Day was established to honor our servicemembers from that war. In 1954 Congress changed the name to Veterans Day to recognize Americans from all wars. Nationally, the Tomb of the Unknowns ceremony is the focal point for celebrations with the annual wreath laying and the playing of taps at 11 am.

Here in Tillamook County, there are also celebrations. Our Tillamook Air Museum is hosting an annual celebration with breakfast at 8 a.m. and the VFW ceremony at 11 a.m. This is advertised as the biggest Veterans Day celebration on the Oregon Coast, and I believe it. There will be



guest speakers, food and live music. Admission is free. There will be no flyover this year because of the federal government shut down, according to the Air Museum's Facebook page.

More events – yes! The Tillamook Elks Lodge hosts their annual Veterans Day spaghetti dinner at 5 p.m. I remember that they take a picture of all the veterans in attendance – get into your old uniform and have your picture taken. It was always

And Werner Beef and Brew are offering veterans a meal between 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., with valid military ID. Werner's has a great salad bar as well as a wide variety of meats. They are also donating 10% of all sales on

November 11th to our local VFW Post 2848. The post offers veterans camaraderie, support, and opportunities to serve the community.

It has been years since I attended this ceremony. My husband served in the Korean conflict; we were part of the American Legion and then the VFW here and attended these events. It was always a full and fun day. It brings back warm and wonderful memories.

It seems that everyone's favorite librarian has been out of the office. I hope she is well. I checked on the baby salmon via the link she gave us last week. It may be the same video, I'm not sure, but those little fish are still carrying their egg sack around with them. Don't forget there is Storytime on Friday November 14th from 11 to 12 noon for the little

The Adult Book Club is on Tuesday, November 18th at 2 p.m. I didn't see what book was being read, but it should be posted in the library. This is another way to meet new people and make new friends. Teen Crafts

and Chat is on Wednesday, November 19th from 4:15 to 5:15 pm. Our library is a wonderful resource, offering community activities and events for all ages.

One other resource popped up on my horizon this week. Fish Snacks LLC is offering food assistance to folks in our community. I haven't had a chance to check into this; I fear the rain has kept me indoors. But this is from their web (or Facebook) page: "Due to current political stuff, 10% of sales this month goes to helping local families for food." Drop in and say Hi to Jered Trout and thank him for this generous offer. Fish Snacks LLC is located at 802 3rd Street in Garibaldi. Thank you, Jered - what a wonderful offer.

Garibaldi also has God's Lighthouse Church Pantry, which is open two Fridays a month from 10 a.m. to noon. They offer pantry style shopping. Their location is 103 Eighth Street, Garibaldi.



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ur own Pacific City-Nestucca Valley Chamber of Commerce invites one and all to their 24th Annual Awards Banquet and Gala. The event will include dinner by Grateful Bread Bakery and Café, a guest speaker, Betsy Johnson, auctions, and the coveted Awards Ceremony. It's planned from 5 p.m. onward on Monday, December 2 at Kiawanda Community Center. The address is 34600 Cape Kiawanda Drive in Pacific City. Tickets sell for \$65 each and can be accessed by telephone call to 503-965-3633 or email to PCNVChamber@gmail.com.

Nestucca Valley Backpack Food Program makes a difference in the lives of

local school children by ensuring that they won't go hungry over the weekends during each academic year. Run entirely by volunteers, the program provides a Friday afternoon backpack full of easy-to-prepare food to students in need for 17 years and counting. With SNAP (food stamp) benefits uncertain for November, they're facing higher than normal demand this fall. We can help. Visit nvbackpackprogram.org to donate online or mail your donation to Nestucca Valley Backpack Program, P.O. Box 793, Pacific City, OR

Speaking of neighbors stepping up to impact food insecurity, Tillamook County Family Y.M.C.A. is



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committed to the cause. Individuals who are impacted by the current Federal Government shut down (SNAP recipients and/or Federal workers) are invited to stop by PAC and order a "PAC Special" at the register. It will include your choice of cold or grilled deli sandwich and a cup of soup or side salad, plus a small

fountain drink, for free. No verification is required: this is offered on the honor system for the duration of the shutdown. The address is 3705 3rd Street, in Tillamook. For more information, email info@tillamookymca.org.

Kiawanda Community Center (KCC) serves senior lunches at 11:30 on Tuesdays (November 11) and Wednesdays (November 12) weekly for \$3 each. (Others may partake for \$6.) They also host Bingo from 1-3 p.m. on Thursdays, weekly. A source describes buy-in as low as \$5 with cash prizes awarded to winners in several categories. The address is included above.

Poets and poetry lovers

of all ages are invited to listen to and read a poem at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, November 18 at the South Tillamook County Library in Pacific City. The library is located off Brooten Road on Camp Street in Pacific City.

Remember that Tillamook County Community Health Centers will provide an All-Ages Walk-in Vaccine Clinic from 1-6 p.m. on Mondays and from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Wednesdays, weekly through November 24, ahead of Thanksgiving week. We can access Covid -19, Flu, and Pneumonia vaccines. The address is 800 Main Avenue in Tillamook. No one will be turned away for an inability

A second option for Holiday Bazaar Saturday arrived to our Fencepost inbox this week. Thanks to Rhonda Wilson for word that Tillamook Elks Lodge will hold a bazaar from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Saturday, December 6. It will include handcrafted items, specialty foods and treats plus photos with and treats from Santa Claus. The address is 1907 3rd Street in Tillamook.

Happy birthday this week to- William Beachy, Jennifer Fitch, Anita Ihnat, Laura Krueger, Julie Love, Melanie Merryman, Rob Seymour, Noel Thun, Mike Trent, Braedan Trost, Lindsey Upright, and Travis Woods.

With food insecurity in the news, here are a few bright spots in Rockaway Beach.

On October 30, Grumpy's Cafe posted to social media that they have started displaying paid tickets for meals marked "Pay It Forward." These are meals that have been purchased in advance and posted on site, with simple instructions:

'If you're hungry and can't make ends meetthese tickets have been paid for. Grab a ticket. Grab a seat and give the ticket to your server and enjoy."

This practice expands on something I first read about as "suspended coffee." The principle there: customers picking up drinks at a coffee house can pay for a "suspended coffee," leaving the receipt available for future visitors who for whatever reason need as-

At press time, other businesses in Rockaway Beach have announced similar projects, and I look forward to hearing from them and acknowledging their efforts

to keep our community fed. If your organization is doing something along these lines, contact me at the email by my photo in the column and I'll reach out.

The City of Rockaway Beach recently announced a food donation box for non-perishable items, to be placed at city hall. Managed by the local group responsible for the Tillamook County Food Security Project, the Rockaway Beach donation center will connect with "folks in need with information on where they can find food assistance in the community," according to Mayor Charles McNeilly's monthly update.

The city's donation box will be available during normal business hours,

Monday—Thursday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., at 276 Highway 101 South. Contact cityhall@corb.us for more information.

It would also be remiss not to mention a longtime Rockaway Beach organization that has been doing great work in food security since its founding in 1999: The Hope Chest. In the past 26 years, the Hope Chest has donated more than \$2,240,000 to causes throughout Tillamook County, with a primary emphasis on providing nutritious food.

One of the Hope Chest's biggest recipients is of course our own Meals for Seniors, which serves meals on site Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and offers delivery service to those unable to leave the house. In addition, The Hope Chest supports the North County Food Bank, which recently moved across the parking lot from its longtime location into the former Rinehart Clinic offices with the opening of the new clinic facility on 101 at Hospital Road.

While Meals for Seniors asks for a \$4 donation for their lunches, their mission is to "to enable the senior citizens of North Tillamook County to continue living independently in their own homes by providing access to nutritious meals and social occasions." They explicitly state on their Web page (https://mealsforseniorsrockawaybeach.org), "A \$4 donation is suggested, but not required, and no one will ever be turned

If you or someone you know requires meal delivery, call (503) 317-8967 to discuss delivery. This service can be lifesaving for those recovering from surgery, a fall, or who otherwise cannot make it to the lunches. Those are served at the dining hall of St. Mary by the Sea, 275 S. Pacific, from 11:30 — 12:30, though the hall always opens at 10:30 for social and coffee time.

But as winter begins, it's worth mentioning The Hope Chest's other work: providing clothing for those in need, particularly for

delicious food, and you

kids who may have outgrown last winter's warm jackets and rain boots.

In February, the Hope Chest's founder and former Rockaway Beach mayor Terri Walhood spoke of a clothing donation project that The Hope Chest supports: "A program they call The Closet. They try to help children that are in need of a pair of shoes, a warm coat, personal items, and so that money helps them." Visit The Hope Chest, 126

Highway 101 South, to contribute or find out more.

Kim Tackett of Simply Charming, 130 Highway 101 N, has just completed her annual Winter Coat Drive, collecting winter coats, gloves, hats, and scarves for children 12 and under. She delivered the collected items last weekend, Nov. 8-9. While this year's drive has ended, Kim's big heart is a resource that's always available.



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oday is Veterans Day and we honor and recognize all those who have served their country and sacrificed so much for everyone's freedom. Thank you all for your service.

Huge thanks go out to the Tillamook PUD crew who have repaired the flagpole outside our Bay City post office, just in time to honor and respect Veterans Day. The Bay City post office is a contract facility and is not maintained by any federal or post office funds. Our community is most grateful for PUD's time and effort.

Congratulations to all those members of the Bay City fire department for the incredible Halloween carnival and haunted house they created. It was a nasty night outside with wind and rain, but many ghosts and goblins braved the weather and showed up in their colorful costumes and boy, were they wowed. The volunteers had created a very creative and quite scary maze-like haunted house, with creatures that jumped out at you, spooky sounds and flashing lights. Next door in the community hall, activities weren't quite as creepy, and many enjoyed the decorated tables and Trunk and Treat activities.



Many thanks to all those who helped with these events, great job. Thanks too to Downies Cafe who donated pies to the winners of various booths.

Bay City is looking to filling four vacancies on the Bay City Planning Commission. Meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Applications can be picked up at city hall. If you have a desire to help steer the growth of Bay City into the future, this would be an ideal committee to serve on.

Donations of non-perishable food items have been pouring in here in Bay City with the barrels at city hall, the library and post office filling up fast. All items from this food drive will be given to the local branch of the Oregon Food Bank to distribute to the eight

food pantries in the county. Thanksgiving will be here soon, and we can all emulate the core of that holiday, sharing. Much gratitude to all those who have donated

The next Bay City Booster potluck and meeting will be held November 21 at the Ad Montgomery community hall, beginning at 11:30 a.m. All are welcome to attend, so come and join us. There is always

can find out more about the Booster Club. Quite soon the club will start putting up decorations and lights all around town, and we are always in need of extra hands to help with this festive project. This year, lights will be added at the new Welcome Park, so the entrance to town on the north end should be very pretty.





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Tillamook FFA earns national honors at 98th National FFA Convention

Tillamook FFA

Tillamook High School FFA members achieved exceptional national success at the 98th National FFA Convention & Expo in Indianapolis, Indiana, earning multiple top honors among more than one million FFA members nationwide.

Members of the Tillamook FFA Chapter earned National top ten honors and National Gold team awards in two career-development events, had a student earn high honors in a proficiency award and celebrated three American FFA Degree recipients, the highest individual honor in the National FFA Organization.

A Career Development Event (CDE) is a competition that allows students to apply knowledge in realworld, hands-on scenarios. These events mirror careers in agriculture and related industries, helping students build technical skills, leadership abilities and professional confidence. From evaluating livestock and solving agricultural business challenges to demonstrating mechanics or food science knowledge, CDEs connect learning to life and prepare students for success in college, careers and beyond.

After winning the state CDE in May, the Tillamook FFA Dairy Cattle Evaluation & Management earned the distinct honor of representing the state of Oregon at the national level. The team placed an impressive 9th place overall, receiving a gold honor. The event evaluates students' skills in dairy cattle evaluation, pedigree interpretation, herd management decisions and oral reasoning. Individual results for team members were as follows:

Tatum Lancaster — 9th Place Individual (Gold)

Bridget Allen — Gold James Gomes (2025 THS Graduate) — Silver

Kylie Hallock — Silver In addition to her team's success, Tatum Lancaster also earned National Gold in

Production - Placement Proficiency Award area, recognizing outstanding handson achievement, leadership and skill development in the dairy industry.

Tillamook's Milk Quality & Products also won top state honors in their respective CDE in May and worked hard to earn a trip to the national event. The team placed 9th place overall, receiving a gold award in a competi-



(Left to right) Lauren Phillips, Matthew Averill, Rhyan West and Abby Blackburn placed ninth place in the Milk Quality & Products competition. Photo courtesy Tillamook FFA

tion that evaluates students on dairy product evaluation, food safety and sanitation, cheese identification, quality testing and industry knowl-

Individual team member results included:

Matthew Averill - Gold Rhyan West - Gold Abby Blackburn - Silver Lauren Phillips - Silver

Three 2024 Tillamook FFA graduates earned the American FFA Degree, the highest honor awarded by the National FFA Organization. This degree recognizes years of achievement through Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) programs, leadership development, community service and significant financial investment



Dairy Cattle Evaluation: (Left to right) James Gomes, Bridget Allen, Kylie Hallock and Tatum Lancaster represented Tillamook in the Dairy Cattle & Evaluation Competition, placing ninth. Photo courtesy Tillamook FFA

and growth in agricultural projects.

Fewer than 0.5% of FFA members nationally qualify to compete at the National Convention, making Tillamook's performance particularly noteworthy.

The recipients were: Peyton Rawe Vivian Seaholm

Logan Lancaster

"Our students represented Tillamook and the state of Oregon with professionalism, humility and excellence," said Tillamook FFA Advisor Hayden Bush. "Their achievements are a reflection of their dedication and the strong support from our school district, families, and community. We are incredibly proud of them."

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A local path to affordable health coverage for small businesses

By MEG ANGIER

Tillamook Area Chamber Of Commerce

As open enrollment season approaches, health insurance becomes a hot topic for many employers and employees. For small businesses in Tillamook County, finding affordable, quality coverage can be one of the biggest challenges in taking care of

their teams. That's why the Tillamook Area Chamber of Commerce has worked to bring a practical option closer to home, a health insurance program available through a partnership with the Bend Chamber of Commerce, PacificSource and local agent Corey Bush at Hudson Insurance.

Several years ago, the Bend Chamber established this program through Oregon legislation, creating access to competitive, high-quality plans for smaller employers. Through our collaboration with them, and with Corey's local expertise, we're able to make this benefit available to Tillamook businesses right here in our own community.

The process is simple. By maintaining an active Tillamook Chamber membership, businesses automatically qualify for an associate membership with the Bend Chamber, which unlocks access to the health insurance program. From there, Corey and his team at Hudson Insurance can sit down with local employers, assess their specific needs, and help determine if one of the six PacificSource plan options is the best fit.

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Tillamook handles North Bend in first round of State Playoffs

Will CHAPPELL Headlight Editor

In a strong start to their playoff push, the Tillamook High School Cheesemakers outgunned the North Bend High School Bulldogs in a 49-12 victory at home on November 7.

Senior standout Griffyn Boomer again led the way for the Mooks, with over 200 combined yards and four touchdowns, with Jakoby Goss chipping in two and Aden Camacho Garcia one, while quarterback Kevin Hurliman added five passing touchdowns to his season total. The win sets up a road rematch with the league rival Scappoose Indians in the second round, where the Mooks will look to reverse the result from the teams' regular season matchup.

Tillamook began the game against North Bend at their own 35 after a squib kick from the Bulldogs, with a second down holding putting the Cheesemakers behind the chains and a short completion on third down leaving the Mooks with a

took over at their own 25 and went backwards on three plays, with a rush for loss and two incomplete passes bringing out the punt team. But Tillamook's return man touched the rolling ball around the Mooks' 40 before allowing a Bulldog to recover the ball at the 29, prolonging the drive.

The Bulldogs' luck turned on the next play, when a running back put the ball on the ground for Emiliano Rojas Veja to recover for the Cheesemakers at the 30.

On a tunnel screen on first down, Boomer again found nothing but daylight, breaking free for the 70-yard receiving touchdown, and an Alfonso Esquivel Gomez PAT putting the Mooks ahead 14-0 with eight and a half to play in the first quarter.

Taking over at their own 35, North Bend's offense was called for two holding penalties in three plays and a short rush and two incompletions brought up a fourth and long and another punt.

Tillamook's offense started their third drive at their own 35, with a holding an Aden Camacho Garcia touchdown rush. A deflected PAT missed the uprights, leaving the Mooks ahead 20-0 with 3:15 to go in the first.

A squib kick returned possession to the Bulldogs at the 22, and they again failed to find any traction against the stout Mooks defense, bringing the punt team on after three downs.

Camacho Garcia returned the punt to North Bend's 30 and picked up eight yards on a first down rush, but the Mooks momentum stalled with a recovered fumble and penalty bringing up a fourth and 11.

Going for it, Hurliman looked for Boomer deep, but Hunter Christensen intercepted the attempt, giving possession back to North Bend at the 11 after a holding penalty was called on the interception return.

Conner Johnson got the drive going with an 11-yard rush, and Dylan Swanson continued the momentum with a five-yard pickup on first down, and seven-yard pickup on third and four to



Photo courtesy of Jessica Garcia

The Mook defense held the Bulldogs to 12 points in the win.

Lucero Jr. continued the momentum after subbing in at quarterback, picking up another first down on backto-back direct snap rushes. Lucero picked up seven on first down and kept the drive rolling on third down with a four-yard rush for a first, but after a Jackson Swanson pickup of five on first, the drive stalled and the Bulldogs turned the ball over on downs at the 18.

On second and 10, Hurliman found Goss wide to the left and after making one Bulldog defender miss, the receiver outran the rest of the team for an 82-yard touchdown. A direct-snap rush by Boomer succeeded for the two-point conversion, pushing the Mook lead to 35-0 with six minutes to go in the half.

North Bend took over at their own 15, and a seconddown pass to Joshua Sullivan pushed the Bulldogs to the Mook 42, before a completion to Lucero pushed them into Tillamook territory. Two more rushes kept North Bend moving, and the Bulldogs again found their way into the Cheesemaker red zone, where a completion to Parker Pruett set up a first and goal from the one and quarterback-keeper touchdown rush from Conner Johnson on second down. Nick Jorge hit the left upright on the PAT, leaving the Bulldogs trailing 35-6 with just over a minute before the break.

Tillamook's next drive began at their own 32, and after Hurliman took a sack on first down, two completions brought up a first down with five seconds remaining in the half. A quick hook and ladder moved the Mooks just inside Bulldog territory with one second left and a 15-yard completion to Boomer brought the half to an end.

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The Bulldogs began the

second half with the ball at the 25, and Sullivan picked up 25 on a first down completion, pushing North Bend into Cheesemaker territory. North Bend picked up eight with two rushes, and after a third-down incompletion, a Swanson rush for three moved the chains on fourth.

Three straight incompletions brought a fourth and ten from the 40 and another attempt for Lucero fell to the turf on fourth, giving the Mooks the ball.

A fumbled snap on first down was recovered by the Bulldogs, giving North Bend another bite at the apple, and three rushes gave them a first down just outside Tillamook's red zone. A play-action play caught the Cheesemakers unawares, and Matthew Swank danced down the touchdown for a touchdown, with a failed two-point conversion attempt leaving the score 35-12 with just under eight to play in the third.

Luke Korbus fielded an attempted onside kick successfully for the Mooks and their second drive of the half began at their own 41. A Camacho Garcia rush and horse collar penalty called against North Bend pushed the Mooks to the Bulldog 41, and a toss-sweep to Boomer on second down from the 39 saw the receiver find another huge hole for his fourth touchdown of the night.

After an offsides penalty against North Bend on the Mooks initial PAT, a direct snap to Tuiolemotu on a two-point conversion attempt failed, leaving Tillamook up 41-12 with 6:42 left in the

A strong kick return set the Bulldogs up just inside Tillamook territory for their next drive, but back-toback penalties brought up a second and 24 and Boomer picked off a pass attempt at the Mooks' 37.

Eli Wootton took a Hurliman pass for 12 yards on first down and a horse collar penalty tacked on another 10, putting the Mooks inside North Bend's 40, before three penalties in a row brought up second and a mile for the Mooks from their own 40 and forced the Cheesemakers into a punt moments later.

North Bend started at their own 25 and Sullivan picked up 12 on a seconddown reception, but the Bulldog drive then stalled out, and the Cheesemakers took down after a turnover on downs at the North Bend 41 shortly into the final quarter.

Camacho Garcia picked up 13 on a first-down rush and followed up with another rush for nine to put the Mooks in the red zone. A penalty gave the Cheesemakers a first and goal from the five and Hurliman found Jakoby Goss on second down for a receiving touchdown. A successful Esquivel PAT stretched the lead to 49-12 as the running clock ticked past seven minutes left in the game

The Bulldogs' next drive ended quickly when Brodee Leno intercepted a Johnson pass and returned it to the North Bend 20, and after reserve Hunter Phillips picked up a first and goal, the Tillamook starters returned to field and entered the victory formation to seal the win.

Tillamook improved to 8-2 on the season with the victory and will return to action in the second-round next week in Scappoose.

The Indians beat Baker High School 49-0 in the first round and the Mooks will seek to avenge a 28-39 defeat in Scappoose on October 17.

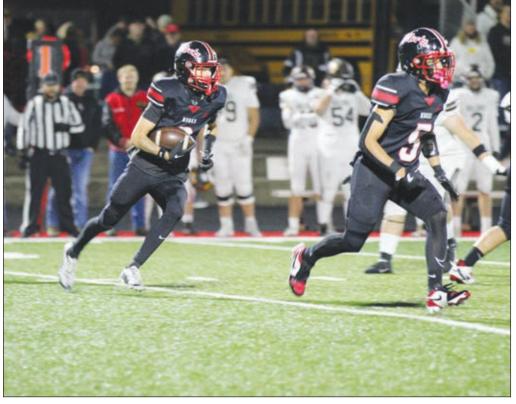


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The Cheesemaker offense was hitting on all cylinders Putting up 49 points.

fourth and five.

A fake punt fooled the Bulldogs, and Peyton Troxel rushed for a first down inside Bulldog territory before an unsportsmanlike conduct set Tillamook back to its own 47. Back-to-back rushes from Methias Tuiolemotu regained the yardage for the Mooks and brought up a first down from the Bulldog 41.

After taking a direct snap and failing to find a hole in the pile, Boomer bounced outside and found nothing but open space, rushing for a touchdown and the early 7-0 lead.

North Bend's offense

penalty on first setting them behind the chains before a 25-yard completion to Jakoby Goss on third and long made up the deficit and put the Mooks in Bulldog territory. On second and five Tuiolemotu took a direct snap straight up the gut for a 15-yard pickup and a Kevin Hurliman completion to Max Abrogoua on the ensuing first down put the Mooks inside the 10.

Facing third and two, Tuiolemotu converted on another direct snap, giving Tillamook a first and goal from the two and setting up bring up a fresh set of downs. Lukas Seidner met Swanson in the backfield on first down for a one-yard loss and back-to-back incompletions brought the Bulldog punt

team back onto the field.

Tillamook took over at their own 43, and Boomer struck immediately, taking a Hurliman shovel pass 67 yards to the house, with an Esquivel Gomez PAT extending the lead to 27-0 with ten and a half minutes left in the

Conner Johnson took a quarterback keeper for ten yards on first, and Michael

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Cheesemaker soccer breaks 18-year playoff drought

WIII CHAPPELL Headlight Editor

Riding a nearly twodecade playoff losing streak into a matchup with Marist High School on November 5, the Tillamook High School Cheesemakers soccer team triumphed over the Spartans 3-2 in a come-from-behind. overtime victory.

The Cheesemakers en-

tered the game on the back of a ten-game stretch where they had won nine games and were propelled to victory by two goals from Anton Voigt, and the game-winning goal from Juan Deniz.

'With all the talented teams that we've had at Tillamook recently, you might say this was a bit overdue, but it was definitely a very big win," said Tillamook Head

Coach Graham Allan. "It was a very long game, the boys were exhausted, and they were running on empty at the end of the game."

After a successful season that saw the Mooks qualify for the playoffs for the fifth consecutive time and finish second in the Cowapa League, the Cheesemakers drew a first-round matchup at the Sky Em League Cham-

pion Spartans in Eugene.

Tillamook had last won a playoff game on November 6, 2007, defeating the La Grande High Tigers on the road. Tillamook was ranked the number eight team in the state to the Spartans' number 13 ranking at the end of the season, however the Cheesemakers were also down three players for the match due to injuries.

The Mooks fell into an early 2-0 hole in the first half, but Marist reminded of the adage that a 2-0 lead is the most precarious in soccer, as Voigt cut the lead in half before the break and knotted the score in the second half, sending the game to over-

"We played really good defense, and we were able to shut them down in the second half," Allan said. "The whole team played very, very well."

Deniz netted what turned out to be the game winner on an assist from Voigt in the second overtime period, and the Mooks held on from there for the win to advance to the second round of the playoffs where they faced Stayton on Saturday (result unavailable).

Pirates end season on high note

By MIKE WEBER

For The Headlight Herald

The Neah-Kah-Nie High Pirates capped their OSAA Class 2A football Special District 1 schedule with a 52-20 win over the Rainier High Columbians (1-5 SD1, 3-6 overall) October 31 on Senior Night at Neah-Kah-Nie High School in Rocka-

Three Pirate seniors -Noah Scovel, Brady Douma and Nathaniel Tinnes were honored for their contributions to the football program the last four years in a special pre-game ceremony while accompanied by their family members.

With the win, a much-improved Pirate squad, guided

by fourth-year Coach Alejandro Quintana, concluded the year with a 2-4 SD1 record (2-6 overall), taking fifth place in the seven-team league standings. A year ago, the Pirates won just one game and finished in last place in the league.

"Beating Rainier sure was a good way to end the year and it was a good way for our three seniors to conclude their career," said Quintana. "All year long, Brady did a great job of pulling the team together and all three of those guys were awesome. It was unfortunate that Noah had an injury in our first game and so he was only able to play in a couple of games this year."

The Pirates had a standout showing in the ground

game versus the Columbians, amassing a total of 456 yards rushing. Junior running back Daniel Sargent led the Pirates offense with 14 carries for 269 yards rushing and scored five touchdowns. Pirate quarterback Douma (4-for-4 passing) had a touchdown pass to sophomore receiver Gabe Lyons.

"The team is getting better, and our defense improved a lot this year," said Quintana. "Our offensive line was better this year and that was a big reason why we improved a lot on offense too. Defensively, we'll have some guys who can tackle really well that will be coming back next year."

In addition to the victory over the Columbians, the Pirates also notched a 53-6

win on the road over the Vernonia High Loggers (0-6 SD1, 0-9 overall) on October 3, setting season-high point total.

In an October 17 home game versus the SD1 champion and No. 5-ranked Clatskanie High Tigers (5-0 SD1, 9-0 overall), the Pirates played outstanding for half of the contest, trailing just 19-13 at halftime, before the Tigers were able to take control of the contest in the second half for a 55-26 win.

"Our league had three teams (Clatskanie, Knappa, Nestucca) in our league that qualified for the state playoffs, so it's a real tough league to compete in," said Quintana. "We had Clatskanie on the ropes at halftime, and it was probably

the best half that we played all season. We played really well in for half the game, but then we just couldn't do too much in the second half.

Noah Scovel, a wide receiver/linebacker suffered an injury early in the season and his absence was noticed in both leadership and talent.

"We're really going to miss Noah and his leadership ability next year," said Quintana. "Unfortunately, he didn't play a whole lot this year, but he was still a big part of our team, while nursing an injury all year long. Brady was throwing the ball well all year long, so we're really going to miss him next year too. Nathaniel did a great job in helping improve our offensive line and he always caused trouble for

our opponents on defense as well and we'll miss him.'

Beyond the improved play, the Pirates also had eight players who were selected for SD1 All League Awards. Those players included Daniel Sargent (Second Team running back/ linebacker) and junior Ashur Ortman (Second Team offensive lineman). Douma (quarterback/punter), Lyons (receiver), freshman Levi Sargent (receiver), junior Everson Morton (defensive lineman), sophomore Patrick Hardy (linebacker) and sophomore Luke Scovel (kick returner) each earned Honorable Mention Awards. The Pirates also received the Sportsmanship Team Award.

NRFPD expands water rescue readiness

Since responding to the 2021 flood at the Neskowin Creek RV Park, the Nestucca Rural Fire Protection District (NRFPD) has transformed its approach to water rescue through years of focused training, new protective equipment and strengthened partnerships.

In 2021, NRFPD firefighters waded through icy, chest-deep water to reach

trapped campers without specialized rescue gear, wearing only their duty uniforms and personal flotation devices (PFDs). That incident revealed the community's need for a dedicated water rescue capability, one that could respond not just to floods. but to all emergencies in the district's rivers, lakes, bays and coastal waters.

Today, NRFPD stands ready with certified Water Rescue Team members, trained through Crux Rescue and certified through the Oregon Department of **Public Safety Standards** and Training (DPSST). The district now maintains specialized dry suits, helmets, gloves and rescue-grade flotation devices, as well as a water-tight mini trauma kit

that allows rescuers to treat immediate life-threatening injuries on the spot before moving victims to safer locations for continued care. More than a dozen

NRFPD personnel are now certified as Swiftwater and Flood Rescue Technicians, with an additional twelve trained as Rope Rescue Technicians, also certified through DPSST. These capabilities enable responders to reach and stabilize victims in steep terrain and challenging water environments across the district. NRFPD's members train regularly to maintain proficiency in both swift water and rope rescue operations. Working closely with Crux Rescue, Netarts-Oceanside Rural Fire Protection District, Nestucca Adventures and other regional partners, the district has developed

hands-on training scenarios in real-world conditions, including steep coastal terrain and flooded environments. The Neskowin Creek RV Park, once the site of a significant rescue, is now a valued training partner, offering the use of its pool for swimming technique training and rescue practice that builds strength, precision, and teamwork.

"Training has become an integral part of who we are, how we prepare, and how we better serve the community we care so much about," said Division Chief of Training Jeremy Neel. "Every hour of training, every partnership, and every new skill we develop ensures that when the next emergency happens, we're ready," said Fire Chief Jim Oeder.

Through cooperation

with the U.S. Coast Guard, Netarts-Oceanside Rural Fire Protection District, North Lincoln Fire and Rescue, and the Tillamook County Sheriff's Office, NRFPD now provides initial water rescue response throughout the Nestucca Bay, the Pacific Ocean surf zone, and inland waterways. Together, these agencies ensure rapid, coordinated service to anyone in need.

From a single night of flooding to a fully equipped and trained Water Rescue Program, NRFPD's journey reflects its commitment to continuous improvement and community safety. The district remains dedicated to protecting lives wherever water and emergencies meet.

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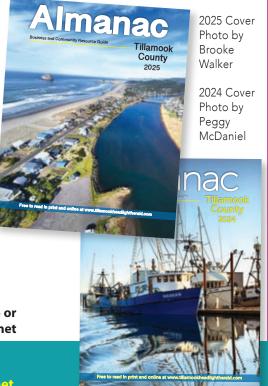
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Tillamook Forest Center highlighted in 50 for 50 public art campaign

Oregon DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY

The bridge gate at the Oregon Department of Forestry's (ODF) Tillamook Forest Center (TFC) has been selected as part of the 50-for-50 initiative. The campaign, developed by the Oregon Arts Commission, chose 50 works of art to mark 50 years of the one percent for art program for public buildings.

"We are thrilled to have the gate chosen as one of the 50 artworks out of nearly 3,000 to represent Oregon's connection to art in public places," said Densie Berkshire, Director of the Tillamook Forest Center.

The functional gate made of Douglas-fir and galvanized steel was installed in 2008 on the footbridge over the Wilson River at the back entrance to the TFC. The overall shape of the gate echoes the architectural form of the Tillamook Interpretive Center's facade, while the design represents a new tree growing from a nurse stump.

"A nurse log is the result of a past generation which creates an opening in the canopy promoting future growth; from a past life comes the bedding and nutrients for the future," said Eric Robertson the artist who created the gate. "The Tillamook Forest Center offers the experience and knowledge of the past to encourage generations with a new understanding of their

relationship to the natural environment."

The Tillamook Forest Center is the region's largest forest-based learning center and outdoor classroom facility, located in the heart of the Tillamook State Forest. The TFC is staffed by ODF employees and a dedicated group of volunteers.

"Our mission is to help people build a deeper connection with Oregon's state forests through experience and exploration," said Berkshire. "We have many innovative programs and hands-on exhibits in the 13,500 square-foot center aimed at helping visitors gain a greater understanding about what a forest is, the unique history of the Tillamook State Forest, and how it is managed today. Art like this gate is just another great way to help people to connect with the forest."

According to the Oregon Arts Commission, the "50 for 50" campaign is an invitation to rediscover Oregon through the lens of public art. Located in state buildings and public spaces from Portland to Pendelton, these works are available for all to enjoy. They exemplify the program's mission to make art an integral part of daily life while encouraging the exploration of Oregon's rich landscapes and communities.

The "50 for 50" campaign includes:

Interactive Maps: Plan a

journey to view the 50 works and explore the broader col-

Archival Highlights: Access historical documents and process materials through a dedicated "50 for 50" digital portal; and

Collection Insights: Learn more about the history of public art in Oregon and the artists who have contributed to the collection.

To read and see more about the bridge and other 49 chosen works go here: 50 for 50: Celebrating 50 Years of Oregon's - Public Art

The TFC is located in the heart of the Tillamook State Forest at milepost 22 of State Highway 6. The center's fall hours are Wednesday to Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The center closes to the public for the winter beginning Dec. 1.

Consider combining viewing the river gate with their next "big" event at the TFC—the Rain Festival Nov. 15-16. The festival celebrates Oregon's rainy season in the forest with: Mushroom Walks at 11:30 a.m. each day, rain-related crafts, displays, a special typewriter with a forest view and an outdoor salmon migration game. Start or finish the day at the rainy fashion photo booth to show off your rain gear and share on social media.

For more on the TFC exhibits, unique outdoor areas and special events see the TFC homepage.

HEROES' ETERNAL REST-

Virgil and Fay Simmons laid to rest at Arlington National Cemetery

By PAMELA SPANG

Under a crisp autumn sky, the solemn hills of Arlington National Cemetery welcomed two of America's steadfast guardians to their final repose on Monday, October 6, 2025. Virgil "Bub" Simmons, a decorated World War II veteran and former mayor of Bay City, Oregon, and his devoted wife, Fay Simmons, were laid to rest in a private ceremony that drew their two daughters, Roxanne Simmons-Isaac and Pamela Spang, fellow veterans, and a quiet contingent of dignitaries. Their interment, marked by the precise cadence of a military honor guard and the haunting strains of "Taps," stood as a poignant tribute to a lifetime of quiet courage and unbreakable partnership.

Virgil Simmons, 99. passed away on December 2. 2022, in his beloved hometown of Bay City, Oregon, surrounded by the Pacific winds he had known since childhood. Born in 1923 in the small coastal community, he was drafted in the U.S. Army in 1943 and served as a staff sergeant with the 96th Infantry Division in the Pacific Theater. Wounded twice—once in the Philippines and again on Okinawa-he earned two Purple

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Hearts and a Bronze Star for valor amid some of the war's fiercest island campaigns. Returning home after the war, Bub dedicated his life to the City of Bay City, working for the city as Superintendent of Public Works for over 29 years as well as serving as mayor for 10 years. His obituary, published in the Tillamook Headlight Herald, captured the essence of a man who bridged battlefields and town halls with unwavering integrity.

Fay Simmons, 91, preceded her husband in death on November 17, 2022, also in Bay City. A devoted wife and wonderful mother, Fay was a truly beautiful woman inside and out. Fay moved to Tillamook with her family in 1935, when she was 5 years old. Fay's own obituary in the Tillamook Headlight Herald highlighted her gentle fortitude, and nurturing of a family that mirrored the Simmons' deep roots in the coastal town.

The couple's joint burial, a rare distinction at Arlington, honored not only Virgil's combat service but Fay's vital role as a spouse. Standing next to the flag-draped urn as a 21-gun salute echoed across the Potomac, Chaplain Captain Philip Morlock noted

this about Bub "In his life -he honored the flag, now this flag will honor him.'

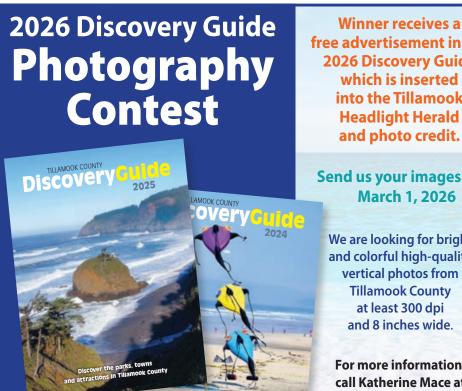
Morlock continued, "Arlington National Cemetery, where for over 160 years, our nation has honored fallen warriors and patriots. These hallowed grounds are a lasting memorial to the men and women who have faithfully serviced our nation. There are over 420,000 Americans buried here. As you look out at these rows of headstones, each stone a brick in the foundation of freedom upon which we stand today. I encourage you to remember this, no place in Arlington cemetery can be purchased, each is earned through honorable service."

Morlock concluded the service with a reading of the poem "Crossing the Bar" by Alfred, Lord Tennyson.

The folded flag was presented to the daughters, ensuring no veteran is ever buried alone. From the rugged Oregon coast to the marble rows of Arlington, Bub and Fav Simmons now rest side by side, their story complete.

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HH25-503 Tillamook County Transportation District PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE. PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE: The Tillamook County Transportation District Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Wednesday, November 19, 2025 @ 5:30pm. Persons requiring physical or visual accommodation or who would like a copy of the meeting agenda may contact the District office at (503) 815-8283 before noon, the meeting day. Agendas are also available on the District website at https://nwconnector. org/agencies/tillamook-county-

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Agenda items will include the General Manager's Financial, Operational, and Service Reports. The agenda also includes Action & Discussion Items. Director's and staff Comments & Concerns, and an Executive Session as needed.

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HH25-504 PACIFIC CITY JOINT WATER-SANITARY AUTHORI-TY. PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE. The Pacific City Joint Water-Sanitary Authority Board of Directors will hold their regular monthly business meeting on Tuesday, November 18, 2025, at 5:00 PM at the Kiawanda Community Center. The agenda includes general Authority Business, New Business, Unfinished Business, and any other business which may come before the Board. This meeting is open to the public. If you would like to attend this meeting from home, a Microsoft Teams video conferencing option is available. Please contact the PCJWSA office at 503-965-6636 to receive an invitation to this meeting in your email. Anyone requiring special accommodation and information about attending the meeting should contact the Authority office at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

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HH25-505 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OR-EGON FOR THE COUNTY OF CLACKAMAS -FAMILY LAW JEFFERY STEPHEN GREGG. Petitioner, and ROBER-TA LYNN FEATHERSTONE, Respondent. Case No.: 25DR05119. SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION To: Roberta Lynn Featherstone \ emdash You are required to appear and defend against the Petition for Dissolution of Marriage filed in the above-entitled case within 30 days from the date of first publication of this Summons. If you fail to appear or respond, the Court may proceed ex parte and enter the relief requested in the Petition, including dissolution of marriage and related orders. without further notice to you. Your response must be filed with the Clackamas County Circuit Court and a copy served on the Petitioner at: Jeffery Stephen Gregg. 134 Thunderbird St. Molalla, Oregon 97038. This Summons is published pursuant to ORCP 7 D(6) and the Court's order autho-

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TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

LLG 25-130173

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A default has occurred under the terms of a trust deed made by Ashley Samantha Neste and Dennis Gail Damm Jr, as joint tenants, whose address is 3710 3rd Street, Tillamook, OR 97141-2709 as grantor to Ticor Title, as Trustee, in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Draper and Kramer Mortgage Corp., its successors and assigns, as named Beneficiary, dated October 8, 2020, recorded October 9, 2020, in the mortgage records of Tillamook County, Oregon, as Instrument No. 2020-06981, PennyMac Loan Services, LLC is the present Beneficiary as defined by ORS 86.705(2), as covering the following described real property: A tract of land situated in the Southwest quarter of the Northwest guarter of Section 29. Township 1 South, Range 9 West, Willamette Meridian, in the City of Tillamook, County of Tillamook, State of Oregon, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point which is North 4° 26' 51" East 3023.04 feet from the Southwest corner of said Section 29; thence North 89° 17' 29" East 118.96 feet: thence South 76° 32' 04" East 36.37 feet; thence South 1° 02' 36" East 108.44 feet, more or less, to the North boundary of Third Street; thence South 82° 35' 14" West 143.82 feet along said North boundary of Third Street to a point which is South 5° 49' 43" East from the point of beginning; thence North 5° 49' 43" West 134.67 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning. COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 3710 3rd Street, Tillamook, OR 97141-2709. Both the beneficiary and the trustee have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said trust deed and a notice of default has been recorded pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes 86.752(3); the default for which the foreclosure is made is grantor's failure to pay when due the following sums: Monthly payments in the sum of \$1,793.94, from October 1, 2024 plus prior accrued late charges in the amount of \$195.56, together with all costs, disbursements, and/ or fees incurred or paid by the beneficiary and/or trustee, their employees, agents or assigns. By reason of said default the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation that the trust deed secures immediately due and payable, said sum being the following, to-wit: \$269,478.13, together with accrued interest in the sum of \$6,320.06 through June 25, 2025, together with interest thereon at the rate of 2.875% per annum from June 26, 2025, plus prior accrued late charges in the amount of \$195.56, plus the sum of \$2.213.00 for advances. together with all costs, disburse-

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or assigns. WHEREFORE, notice

hereby is given that the under-

signed trustee will on November 18, 2025, at the hour of 11:00 AM, in accord with the standard time established by ORS 187.110, at the southern front entrance to the Tillamook County Courthouse, located at 201 Laurel Avenue, in the City of Tillamook, OR, County of Tillamook, State of Oregon, will appear and postpone the sale to February 10, 2026 at the hour of 1:00PM, in accord with the standard time established by ORS 187.110, at the southern front entrance to the Tillamook County Courthouse, located at 201 Laurel Avenue, in the City of Tillamook, OR, County of Tillamook, State of Oregon, on February 10. 2026. at the hour of 1:00PM. in accord with the standard time established by ORS 187.110, at the southern front entrance to the Tillamook County Courthouse. located at 201 Laurel Avenue, in the City of Tillamook, OR, County of Tillamook, State of Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the said described real property which the grantor has or had power to convey at the time of the execution of said trust deed, together with any interest which the grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said trust deed, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the trustee. Notice is further given to any person named in ORS 86.778 that the right exists, at any time that is not later than five days before the date last set for the sale, to have this foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the trust deed reinstated by paying to the beneficiary of the entire amount due (other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred) and by curing any other default complained of herein that is capable of being cured by tendering the performance required under the obligations or trust deed, and in addition to paying said sums or tendering the performance necessary to cure the default, by paying all costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation and trust deed, together with trustee's fees and attorney's fees not exceeding the amounts provided by said ORS 86.778. Notice is further given that reinstatement or payoff quotes requested pursuant to ORS 86.786 and ORS 86.789 must be timely communicated in a written request that complies with that statute, addressed to the trustee's "Reinstatements/ Payoffs - ORS 86.786" either by personal delivery or by first class, certified mail, return receipt requested, to the trustee's address shown below. Due to potential conflicts with federal law, persons having no record legal or equita-

ble interest in the subject property

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The Tillamook **Headlight Herald has** an early advertising deadline because of the Thanksgiving holiday.

The office will be closed

Thursday, Nov. 27th



The early deadline is Tuesday, Nov. 25th at 10 a.m. for Display ads, **Classified Liners** and Legals for the Dec. 2nd edition



cerning the lender's estimated or actual bid. Lender bid information is also available at the trustee's website, www.logs.com. In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes the plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to the grantor as well as any other person owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by said trust deed, and the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Also, please be advised that pursuant to the terms stated on the Deed of Trust and Note, the beneficiary is allowed to conduct property inspections while property is in default. This shall serve as notice that the beneficiary shall be conducting property inspections on the said referenced property. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties. Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. The Fair Debt Collection Practice Act requires that we state the following: This is an attempt to collect a debt. and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If

a discharge has been obtained by any party through bankruptcy proceedings: This shall not be construed to be an attempt to collect the outstanding indebtedness or hold you personally liable for the debt_Dated: 6/26/2025 LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP, Successor Trustee 1499 SE Tech Center Place, Suite 255, Vancouver, WA 98683 www.logs.com Telephone: (360) 260-2253 Toll-free: 1-800-970-5647 LLG 25-130173 NPP0479706 To: HEADLIGHT HERALD 11/11/2025, 11/18/2025, 11/25/2025, 12/02/2025

HH25-507 The Oceanside Water District (OWD) Board of Commissioners will be holding their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, November 18, 2025, at 1:00 P.M. The meeting will be held at the Barbara Bennett Community Hall, 5690 4th N.W. in Cape Meares. General District business including New Business. Old Business. and any other matters that may come before the Board will be discussed. The District reserves the right, if necessary, to call an Executive Session. All Meetings. except Executive Sessions, are open to the public and accessible to the disabled. The District encourages your participation, please call at least 48-hours in advance to join the meeting (503) 842-0370.

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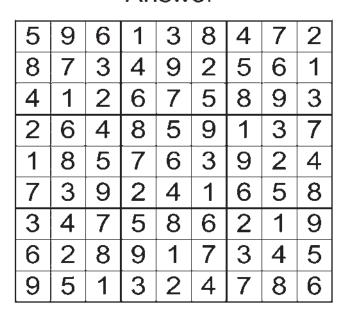






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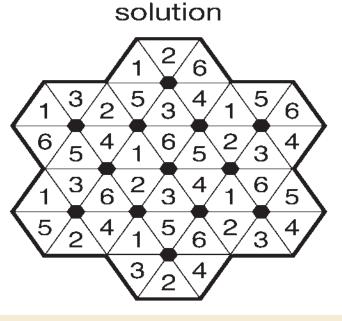
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HH25-508 PURSUANT TO ORS CHAPTER 819 Notice is hereby given that the following vehicle will be sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 11/24/2025.

The sale will be held at 10:00am by MENEFEE WELDING RE-PAIR & TOWING 31665 HWY 101 S CLOVERDALE, OR. 2018 JEEP COM 4D VIN = 3C4NJDB-B9JT336260

Amount due on lien \$7679.04. Reputed owner(s) > ANDREW MAI-IVAY NATHANIEL AIKEN ONPOINT COMMUNITY CRED-IT UNION

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HH25-509 TILLAMOOK PEO-PLE'S UTILITY DISTRICT. November 2025 Meetings. Tillamook People's Utility District Board of Directors will be attending the following out-of-district trade association meetings: November 5, 2025, NRU, Board of Directors Meeting, Location: Portland. OR. November 5, 2025 Public Power Council. Town Hall Meeting, Location: Portland, OR. November 5, 2025, Northwest RiverPartners, Annual Meeting, Location: Portland, OR. November 6, 2025. Public Power Council, Annual Meeting, Portland, OR. November 6, 2025, All Customer Owned Utility Meeting, Annual Meeting, Location: Portland, OR. November 6, 2025, OPUDA, Board of Directors Meeting, Portland, OR . The Board of Directors will also be attending the following in-district meetings: November 25. 2025. Tillamook Lightwave, Board of Directors Meeting 9:30 a.m., Location: TPUD

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HH25-510 Tillamook People's Utility District. REGULAR MEET-ING NOTICE. November 18. 2025. The meeting will be held at Tillamook PUD, 1115 Pacific Ave, Tillamook, OR 97141. The Tillamook People's Utility District Board of Directors will conduct the following meetings. 4:30 p.m. Executive Session will be held according to ORS 192.660(2)(I) to review and evaluate the emplovee not related performance of the chief executive officer. 6:00 p.m.Regular Board Meeting. Action items include: Approve Policy Bulletin Amendmen 1-8 Contracting and Procurement. Any other matters that may come before the Board. **Those who require special accommodations should contact the PUD at 800-422-2535 or 503-842-2535

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HH25-511 SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY OF YAKIMA JUVENILE DIVISION. Dependency of: LENA JUNE KIDDER. D.O.B. 08/10/2015 No.: 25-7-00266-39. Notice and Summons by Publication. (Dependency)(SMPB). To: Parent 2, Jayson Daniel Kidder. A Dependency Petition was filed on Sep-

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tember 29, 2025; A Fact-Finding hearing will be held on this matter on: December 12, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. at Yakima County Superior Court, Juvenile Division, 1728 Jerome Avenue, Yakima, WA 98902. You should be present at this hearing. To participate in this hearing via Zoom video: COURTROOM #2 https:// zoom.us/j/94269638517. Dial: 1-206-337-9723. Meeting ID: 942 6963 8517, Passcode: 271386 . NOTICE: You must appear for your hearing. A passcode is required for Zoom. The current passcode is listed above and is subject to change. To ensure you have the current passcode call Court Administration at 509-574-2703, 509-574-2707, or 509-574-1794. You will need to tell them the date and time and identify the case by name and/or case number. The hearing will determine if your child is dependent as defined in RCW 13.34.030(6). This begins a judicial process which could result in permanent loss of your parental rights. If you do not appear at the hearing, the court may enter a dependency order in your absence. To request a copy of the Notice. Summons, and Dependency Petition, call DCYF at 509-225-6500. To view information about your rights, including

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HH25-512 The Netarts-Oceans-

right to a lawyer, go to www.atg.

wa.gov/DPY. DATED this 31 day

of October 2025. Billie A. Mag-

gard, Yakima County Clerk, By:

/s/ Tysa Thomas, Deputy Clerk

Sanitary District (NOSD) Board of Directors will hold their Regular Board of Director's Meeting on Thursday November 20, 2025, at 5:30 P.M. in the NOSD Board Room, 1755 Cape Meares Lp. Rd. W., Oceanside, OR. This Regular meeting is to discuss General Business including New Business: Old Business: etc. and any other matters that may come before the Board will be discussed. The District reserves the right, if necessary, to call an Executive Session, All meetings. except Executive Sessions, are open to the public and accessible to the disabled. The District encourages your participation. Anyone requiring special accommodations should contact the District Office at least 48 hours in advance at (503) 842-8231. NOSD has set up on its website how to remote into the meeting.

Go to www.n-o-s-d.com

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HH25-513 The Nehalem Bay Fire & Rescue District Board of Directors is looking to fill a vacancy on the Board. The Board meets once per month, normally on the second Thursday at 3:00 p.m. For more information visit our website www.nehalembayfirerescue. org, email k.coyle@nbfrd.org, or visit the District Office at 36375 Hwy 101 N. Nehalem, OR 97131. APPLICATION DEADLINE: Ap-

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plications must be received no later than 4:00 PM PST - Thursday, December 4, 2025.

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IN THE CIRCUIT HH25-514 COURT OF THE STATE OF OR-EGON FOR THE COUNTY OF TILLAMOOK. Probate Dept Case No. 25PB08784. NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS. In the Matter of the Estate of JEAN ALICE VAN ZANDT, Deceased NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that CARLA POPA has been appointed as the personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them to the undersigned attorneys for the personal representative at 2850 SW Cedar Hills Blvd., #1403 Beaverton, OR 97005, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred.

All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative, or the attorneys for the personal representative. Dated and first published on November 11, 2025. Lea A. Gifford, OSB No. 162881, Pacific North Law, P.C., Attorneys for Personal Representative, 2850 SW Cedar Hills Blvd., #1403, Beaverton, OR 97005, Tel: (503) 387-3491, Email: lea@pacificnorthlaw.com, Published: November 11, 2025. CARLA POPA, Personal Representative

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HH25-515 The Port of Nehalem Board of Commissioners will hold their regular public meeting on Wednesday November 19, 2025, at 6:30pm, NCRD School House Room, 36155 9th St., Nehalem, Agenda is available at https://portofnehalem.gov.

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HH25-516 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OR-FGON FOR THE COUNTY OF TILLAMOOK. In the Matter of the Estate of DUANE STERLING THOMPSON, Deceased. Case No.: 25PB09501. NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NO-TICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Stacey A. Diehl has been appointed personal representative of the Estate of Duane Sterling Thompson. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned personal representative c/o Lawrence & Lawrence Law P.C., 427 S. Holladay Drive, Seaside, OR 97138, within four months after the date of publication of this notice or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative, Benjamin F. Lawrence, at the above address. Dated and

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Bay City

BAY CITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

A warm and friendly congregation. 5695 D Street, Bay City, OR, (503) 377-2679, Rev. Jonathan Mead. Worship Service 10:30 a.m., Fellowship downstairs afterwards. https://www.facebook.com/BayCityOr-Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors!

Cloverdale

HEALING WATERS BIBLE CHURCH OF GOD 41507 Oretown Rd E

Cloverdale, OR 97112 (541) 671-5588 11 a.m. Sunday Church Service 7 p.m. Wednesday Bible study Friday 7 p.m. Pastor Bry's Corner

ST. JOSEPH MISSION PARISH 34560 Parkway Dr Cloverdale, OR 97112

503-842-6647 Mass Schedule Thursday - 11 a.m. Friday - 11 a.m. Sunday - 10:30 a.m. Confession: Call the office for appointment

Garibaldi

NORTH COAST CHRISTIAN CHURCH 309 3rd St., (503) 322-3626 Pastor Sam McRae Sunday Worship Service 10:30 a.m. We invite you to join us.

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Nehalem

NEHALEM BAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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March - October 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. November - February noon to 4 p.m. **Nehalem Senior Lunches** Tuesday & Thursday served at noon email: nbumcnsl2020@gmail.com

Netarts

NETARTS FRIENDS CHURCH

4685 Alder Cove Rd. West, (503) 842-8375 Email: friendschurchnetarts@gmail.com Website: www.netartsfriends.org Pastor Aaron Carlson, Adult & Youth Worship Service: 9:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Nursery available Handicap Accessible **Small Groups** All are welcome!

Pacific City

NESTUCCA VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 35305 Brooten Road, (503) 965-6229 Rev. Ken Hood www.nestuccavalleypc.org Weekly Bible study group Fridays at 10 a.m. Open communion the first Sunday of

each month Regular services Sunday 10 a.m. Everyone is welcome

PACIFIC COAST BIBLE CHURCH 35220 Brooten Road (Adjacent Post Office) Pastor Dan Mason (503) 926-8234 Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Website: pacificcoastbiblechurch.com All are welcome!

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Rockaway Beach ST. MARY BY THE SEA **CATHOLIC CHURCH**

275 S. Pacific St. (mailing: P. O. Box 390) Rockaway, OR 97136 (503-355-2661) e-mail: stmarys1927@gmail.com Administrator: Fr. MacDonald Akuti Mass Schedule: Saturday (5 p.m.) Sunday (8:30 a.m.) (10:30 a.m.) Weekdays: Monday (9:30 a.m.) Wednesday thru Friday (9:30 a.m.) Confessions: Saturday (4 p.m.)

Tillamook

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH (CBA)

5640 U.S. 101 South 2 miles south of Tillamook (503) 842-5598 https://bbc-tillamook.faithlifesites.com 9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages 11a.m. Morning Worship 6 p.m. Evening Service Nursery provided for all services **Everyone Welcome**

TILLAMOOK NAZARENE

2611 3rd, (503) 842-2549 Pastor Josh Myers Sunday: Growth Groups: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service: 11 a.m. Tuesdays: Celebrate Recovery 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays: Youth Group 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. A place for the whole family to Connect, Grow and Serve.

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMS) 302 Grove Ave.

(503) 842-4823 **Sunday Services:** 9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class and Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Divine Worship Where love transforms hearts and lives. Pastor K.W. Oster

LIFECHANGE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP 3500 Alder Lane, Tillamook, OR 97141

(503) 842-9300 www.lifechangefellowship.com Pastor Brad Smith Bible Study 9:30 a.m. Sunday morning followed by Worship and Message at 11 a.m. Come worship with us, enjoy the live music. Bible studies and an assortment of activities throughout the week. Let's worship our Lord together. We will show

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EMMANUEL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

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OCEAN BREEZE BAPTIST CHURCH 2500 Nielsen Road, (503) 842-1446

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2102 6th St, Tillamook, OR 97141 (503) 842-6192 email: stalbanstillamook@gmail.com Sunday (Eucharist): 10 a.m. Wednesday (Midday Prayer): 12.15 p.m., with coffee available from 11 a.m. All are welcome -- wherever you are on your faith journey. www.stalbanstillamook.org

TILLAMOOK CHRISTIAN CENTER 701 Marolf Loop Rd, Tillamook, OR 97141

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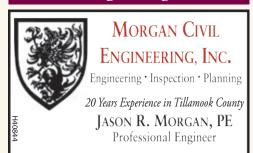
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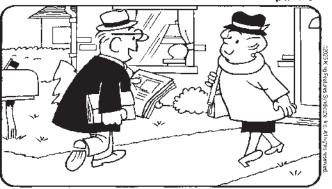
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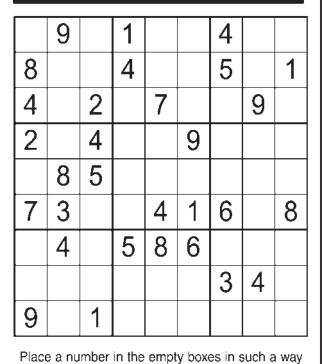
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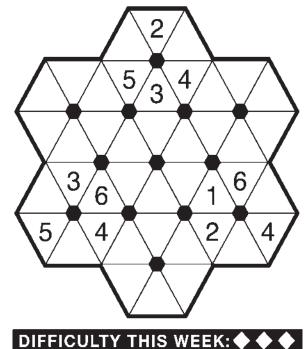
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