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The Beaver Elementary School has been unused for 16 years but is proposed to be redeveloped as a multi-use development.

Beaver school to become community asset

WILL CHAPPELL
Headlight Editor

After sitting largely disused for 16 years, the Beaver Elementary School is set to receive a major overhaul to become a mixed-use development with 30 apartments, a library, gymnasium, maker spaces and commercial kitchen.

Kevin Shluka, the local developer who purchased the property along with his wife Katie last November, said that the couple and a project team are hard at work creating designs for the development they are calling the Schoolhouse Flats and hope that in two years' time it will be open. "That's really the goal is moving it from the liability column into the asset column," Shluka said of the school, "and it's not going to take much to make it something that we can be proud of."

The elementary school was originally built in 1939, with additions made in most of the following decades, including the



1963 ad-Shluka is committed to making the gym a community asset.

dition of a gymnasium, before ultimately closing in 2010 when the Nestucca School District

built a new elementary school south of Cloverdale. Over the next decade-plus, the school sat mostly

disused, with the gym still used for cheerleading practice and bus barn used for batting practice,

as asbestos concerns in the buildings and limited water

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Aubrey Olson,
Tillamook County District Attorney

Investigation finds lack of competency, concern for victims in DA's office

WILL CHAPPELL
Headlight Editor

A recently released report into Tillamook County District Attorney Aubrey Olson and her staff determined a laundry list of 35 complaints against the office's attorneys relating to a lack of competency in court proceedings, failure to consider the safety of victims of crimes, especially those related to sexual assault or domestic violence, and general lack of advocacy for victims were founded.

The 200-plus-page report,

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Tillamook council raises sewer rates 35%

WILL CHAPPELL
Headlight Editor

In the culmination of more than a month of discussions, Tillamook city council voted unanimously on May 4, to raise the city's sewer rates by 35% and to seek a general obligation bond to prevent the need for large future rate increases in the November 2027 election. With the increase, set to take effect on July 1, residential customers will see their base rate increase from \$92.66 monthly to \$125.12.

At the meeting, City Manager Sean Lewis also told council that after consulting with Business Oregon about the terms of a \$7.2-million loan to which the city was granted access last year, he learned it was unnecessary to raise water rates this year, meaning they will remain at \$17.75 for

2,000 gallons and \$12.90 for each additional thousand gallons.

At the council's previous meeting in April, councilors asked Lewis to prepare the 35% rate increase option with a commitment to seek approval of a general obligation bond at next November's election and not to increase rates until voters had weighed in on that bond.

Lewis returned to council with the requested resolution on May 4, and said that following council's approval, the first step towards seeking the bond would be hiring bond counsel. That lawyer will then lead the city in discussions with financial institutions, who will review Tillamook's financials and offer detailed information on the terms, rates and other specifics of a bond the city can seek.

Those and subsequent steps will take place at

council meetings and be publicly noticed, Lewis said, explaining that city staff wanted to make sure that both councilors and citizens were educated on the process and given a chance to provide feedback throughout.

Should the bond fail at the ballot box, Lewis said that he would return to council to discuss other possibilities to meet the financial needs of the system. Lewis originally included a provision that should council fail to act, staff would be allowed to automatically increase rates by the inflation rate calculated by the consumer price index, but Councilor Justin Aufdermauer requested that that language be removed and other councilors agreed.

Lewis also explained that the additional revenue being generated by

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HomeSource Tillamook changes with the times

BY PIERCE BAUGH V

HomeSource Tillamook no longer has a place of its own, but they're still able to help clients find one for themselves.

Mostly, that shakeup comes down to the fact that it was simply time for a change, according to Jesse Arthur, HomeSource's principal broker, as he and co-owner Jason Averill feel downtown Tillamook has also taken a turn for the worse.

"If you're a downtown storefront, they're constantly battling the homelessness issue, and not just homelessness, but drug deals, that kind of thing that we never even dreamed about when we were kids growing up in Tillamook," Arthur, who is still perplexed by the changes his hometown, like much of the state, has undergone, said.

The final straw came

when somebody entered the company's office with a large dog and began yelling at employees. Though there was a protocol in place, fearing for the safety of their team, Arthur, his wife Michelle and HomeSource partner Jason Averill decided to transition HomeSource to a digital only business, moving away from a physical location.

During the covid lockdown the HomeSource team realized that operations went as smoothly as they had in-person, while removing the potential for security threats.

"I really want to emphasize to the community that we're still in business. Just because you don't see us on Third Street across from Safeway, we're still here," Arthur said, adding that HomeSource has moved to a cloud-based system better serves clients. "Now, we come to our clients; they don't come to us."

Going cloud-based isn't

the only change HomeSource has undergone. After 15 years of being a part of the ReMax network, HomeSource has become independent, a process Arthur says went smoothly.

"In the last few years, we've realized how imperative it is to be more hyperlocal," Arthur said of the logic behind the decision. "Now we're 100% independent, which gives us the ability to truly home in on the community."

Arthur has been in the real estate industry since 1997, and a lot has changed in that time, with the recent increase in the role AI is playing in many sectors.

"The one thing that can't be replaced with things like AI and all the bells and whistles that come along with modern knowledge is knowledge of the communities, knowledge of certain rules and regulations that we've dealt with over the years by being on the coast," Arthur said.

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NEWS

Dean pitches turnaround plan in house run

WILL CHAPPELL
Headlight Editor

In his Republican primary campaign for Oregon House District 32, small businessman and law enforcement officer Adam Dean is looking to use his experience to kickstart a turnaround for Oregon.

Dean, a lifelong Oregonian, said that he felt state leaders have lost the thread in recent years and that he is running to try to address an unfriendly climate for businesses, lackluster educational performance and other issues undercutting the state's appeal as a place to live.

"The reason I'm running is I feel that Oregon has been in decline for many years, it's not the place that I grew up in," Dean said. "It's not business friendly, the education system is not great, obviously, we have a homeless problem, there's just a lot of things that are not great about it and there needs to be change. And so, instead of sitting on the sidelines and complaining, I'm like let's try to do something, let's see if we can make a difference."

Born and raised in Astoria, Dean attended Linfield College and graduated with a degree in finance before a short stint in the technology sector that ended with

the crash of the internet bubble in the late 1990s. Dean then pivoted to law enforcement, first serving with the Newberg Police for two years before moving to the department in McMinnville for 13 years, attracted by the sense of purpose the job provided. "It's kind of that desire to make things better, that's why I got into policing. I wanted to have a career that I felt like I was making a difference," Dean said.

In 2020, ready for another change of pace, Dean and his wife purchased two businesses, an RV park and convenience store in Gearhart and an insurance agency in McMinnville. For the next several years, the couple split time between the coast and the valley running the businesses, before selling the insurance agency in December of 2023.

Motivated by a need for quality health insurance, Dean decided to return to law enforcement, and joined the Cannon Beach Police Department last June. Then, after Representative Cyrus Javadi voted in favor of last year's transportation package shortly before changing his party affiliation in September, a group approached Dean and recruited him to run against Javadi.



Adam Dean

Given his experience running small businesses over the last six years, Dean said that one of his top priorities would be cutting down on permitting requirements and the associated fees levied by state agencies. "I didn't realize how bad it was until we owned a business and I'm writing checks to all these different organizations for permits and licenses and all this stuff that it's like, okay, this doesn't really help me run my business," Dean said.

Dean specifically mentioned an \$1,800-a-year permit required by the Department of Environmental Quality for his septic system and said that he would look to lower that

and similar fees. Dean also said that he was in favor of reducing regulations for building, investigating rezoning and working to speed up permitting processes at state agencies.

Homelessness is another area where Dean feels the state has taken an inappropriate approach, saying that he feels there is too much assistance provided, enabling people to remain homeless comfortably.

Dean said that he would like to see local law enforcement agencies given more discretion to hold serial property crime offenders in jail and that he believed reopening the state hospital or expanding mental health treatment options and the ability to have people committed would help alleviate the homelessness issue.

"I think that there needs to be instead of a handout, there needs to be a hand up," Dean said. "There needs to be something to try to get them sober, get the mental health that they need and give them the skills to enter the workforce, if they don't have those."

Oregon's Department of Transportation (ODOT) and its ongoing funding crunch are also a focus for Dean, who said he believed funding for major projects could be found by the

agency refocusing on its core mission and cutting down on administrators.

"I think ODOT is heavy in administrative folks that are just pushing paper or not actually getting stuff done on the ground," Dean said. "We need more road crews, and you could probably get rid of some administrators and hire a handful of road crews to go out there and actually fix the roads."

When it comes to education, Dean said that he would work to get politics out of the classroom, refocus curricula on reading, writing and math, institute higher graduation requirements and support funding for career and technical education programs.

When it comes to the approach he would take as

a legislator more generally, Dean said that he would investigate the possibility of applying certain policies only in specific areas of the state where they were appropriate, and that failing that, he would work to foster conversations with fellow legislators about the ways needs of rural and urban Oregonians differ.

"What works for them doesn't necessarily work for us and vice versa and so trying to make that known to the other side or whoever's proposing whatever bill it might be and explaining it to them and just having them realize this is the impact that it's going to have on the rest of Oregon," Dean said. "And hopefully, they are courteous enough to take that into account."

The Chamber's Role in Downtown's Housing Transformation

TILLAMOOK AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Downtown Tillamook continues to undergo remarkable transformation, and it is about more than just fresh paint, it is about creating a place for our community to live and thrive. If you have noticed construction crews and building supplies piled up around Henson Plaza lately, you are seeing the results of a powerful partnership between the Tillamook Chamber of Commerce and local visionaries.

The first phase of Terry Phillips' vision for the National Bank Building has already become a reality. A vibrant mix of businesses is now successfully established on the ground floor, bringing fresh energy and essential services to our downtown streets.

The momentum is only growing as work moves to the upper levels. These historic spaces are being transformed into much-needed housing, ensuring our downtown remains a bustling, multi-use hub. In addition to the upper-floor apartments, the project

prioritizes accessibility with the inclusion of an ADA-accessible unit on the ground floor, providing inclusive living options right in the heart of the community. By adding this density downtown, we are ensuring more residents can live within walking distance of our local shops and services.

Chamber staff served as the essential engine to drive this project forward through dedicated collaboration. Recognizing the potential and impact to downtown housing, chamber staff took on the heavy lifting of the grant writing and management. Chamber staff identified this project as a well-positioned project for a plethora of grants including the Oregon Main Street Revitalization Grant, Tillamook County Housing Commission, and the Tillamook Urban Renewal Agency – and they all agreed. Due to its impact on our housing crisis and location in downtown the project's impact, between those three entities, Chamber staff helped successfully secure over \$500,000 in grant funding, bridging the gap between a historic shell and a vibrant landmark for the entire

community.

This is the second time that the chamber has been successful in the Oregon Main Street Revitalization Grant in recent years. In 2019, chamber staff supported the vision of Lisa Greiner by securing a \$200,000 Oregon Main Street Revitalization Grant, as well as championing the project through the final lending process, to develop four apartments above the Oregon Coast Dance Center. Following years of dedicated construction, the Jones-Knudson apartments recently celebrated their one-year anniversary. Now fully occupied, this project stands as a testament to how our partnerships foster long-term stability and vital housing for our downtown.

The Tillamook Chamber of Commerce is proud to be the wind in the sails for motivated developers. By handling the heavy lifting of grant applications and fund coordination, we allow visionaries to focus on what they do best. When we work together to secure these investments, we aren't just fixing old buildings, we are creating a vibrant, inviting environ-

ment where our community can live, work, and play for generations to come.



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FENCEPOSTS

Nineteen of Kathy Burke's closest friends and family members gathered at the Bayocean Road beach access on the morning of April 30, to accompany her as she started a journey: a journey to acknowledge, welcome and celebrate turning 70. Kathy will hit that milestone in June of this year and has planned seven ten-mile walks to mark the occasion. Members of this first walk were welcome to accompany Kathy all the way to the south jetty, where they would stop for sips of water and snacks from their backpacks, or they could simply go along for part of the distance. Capt. Pete and I were delighted to be part of Kathy's entourage that morning, although I must admit we bowed out before reaching the jetty that day. Happy early b-day, Kathy.

Local artist Stacy Mason of Cape Meares participated in the Ceramic Showcase at the Oregon Convention Center the last weekend in April. Stacy was one of 220 potters exhibiting works for sale there. There were demonstrations by expert potters and even a kid's table for getting hands in clay. If you are interested in small-batch, functional ceramics from the Oregon Coast, check out Stacy's beautiful work on her web-



site at masonclay.com. Fall salmon regulations have been proposed for the 2026 season and are expected to be adopted at the ODFW Commission meeting on June 26. In the Tillamook Basin, wild Chinook salmon proposed regs have the same season dates, but the bag limit is changed from last year: One wild adult Chinook is allowed per day, with a maximum of five for the season (Aug. 1–Nov. 30).

Proposed regs for wild coho are in the same format as 2025, open on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays from September 9–October 28. This adds one more day to the open coho season as compared to last year (22 total open days vs. 21 in 2025). The proposed regs allow one adult wild coho per open day, with a maximum of three for the season, plus one wild coho jack per open day.

If you have questions

about the proposed fall salmon angling regulations, please contact District Fish Biologist Robert Bradley by phone at 503-842-2741 or via email at Robert.bradley@odfw.or.gov.

Speaking of fishy things, family friends were here in Cape Meares recently. Father and son were fishing off the dock at Cape Meares Lake one rainy morning when 10-year-old Harry caught four trout. Way to go, Harry.

A reminder that the Cape Meares Community Association (CMCA) will be holding its annual meeting and election of board members at the Barbara Bennett Community Center on May 16 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. This CMCA meeting will feature a presentation by John Anderson, author of "The Amazing People Between the Capes."

The meeting will be followed by a potluck featuring foods from emergency prep supplies using these ingredients: nonfat dried milk, rolled oats, quick oats, dehydrated onions, dehydrated apples, dehydrated carrots, white rice, macaroni, dried black beans, and giant Great Northern beans. Make a dish using these ingredients or supplement with what you think should be a staple in the sheds. Bring your dish and recipe to the potluck. The goals of this unusual assignment are:

- To have fun;
- To practice emergency meal preparation;
- To figure out what else is needed to supplement in our sheds; and,
- To have recipes and ideas available in each shed as a resource.

If you have questions about the emergency prep potluck, please contact Wendy Kunkel or Peggy Lindquist for more details at capemearesca@gmail.com. There will be party favors and prizes at the potluck, so let's have a big Cape Meares turnout!



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Hamalian unfit

In the upcoming Tillamook County election, Alex Hamalian is running for circuit court judge. In my opinion, he is unfit to be a judge. I've known Alex for 43 years and managed a large remodel on one of his many houses. From personal experience I have found Alex to be dishonest, unethical and to take advantage of people. These are not qualities that make a good judge.

I could give a much longer list of reasons why he should not be sitting in judgement of others. I am a Democrat but definitely will not be voting for him just because he is running as a Democrat.

Stan Botkins
Nehalem, Oregon

In support of the unification of the Bay City and the Tillamook Fire entities

In my earlier years, I volunteered as a firefighter in Tillamook and then later in Bay City. My experience as a firefighter was very rewarding. However, it came with backbreaking work that was both rewarding and, at times, frightening.

Volunteers can only work effectively when sufficient staff are on duty, especially during the day when volunteers are working or at their day jobs. The number of paid staff is currently too low. An increased tax rate will help to increase volunteer numbers, which are also currently too low.

The current tax rate was created in 1993 and is unsustainable. The proposed new tax rate is comparable to the surrounding area.

If this levy passes, we may anticipate an increase

in response times, resulting in lower fire insurance rates for property owners. The opposite may be true if the levy does not pass.

There is no other avenue for funding local fire districts, as they are primarily financed through local property taxes, not state funding.

Please consider voting yes for this proposed Fire Levy, it's a prudent investment.

Tim Josi
Bay City

Vote Bell

To the Editor,
I am writing to express my support for the re-election of Mary Faith Bell as County Commissioner.

Commissioner Bell has proven herself to be a capable and dedicated leader with a solid track record of service to Tillamook County. She demonstrates honesty and integrity in her work and approaches decisions with a thoughtful, fact-based mindset.

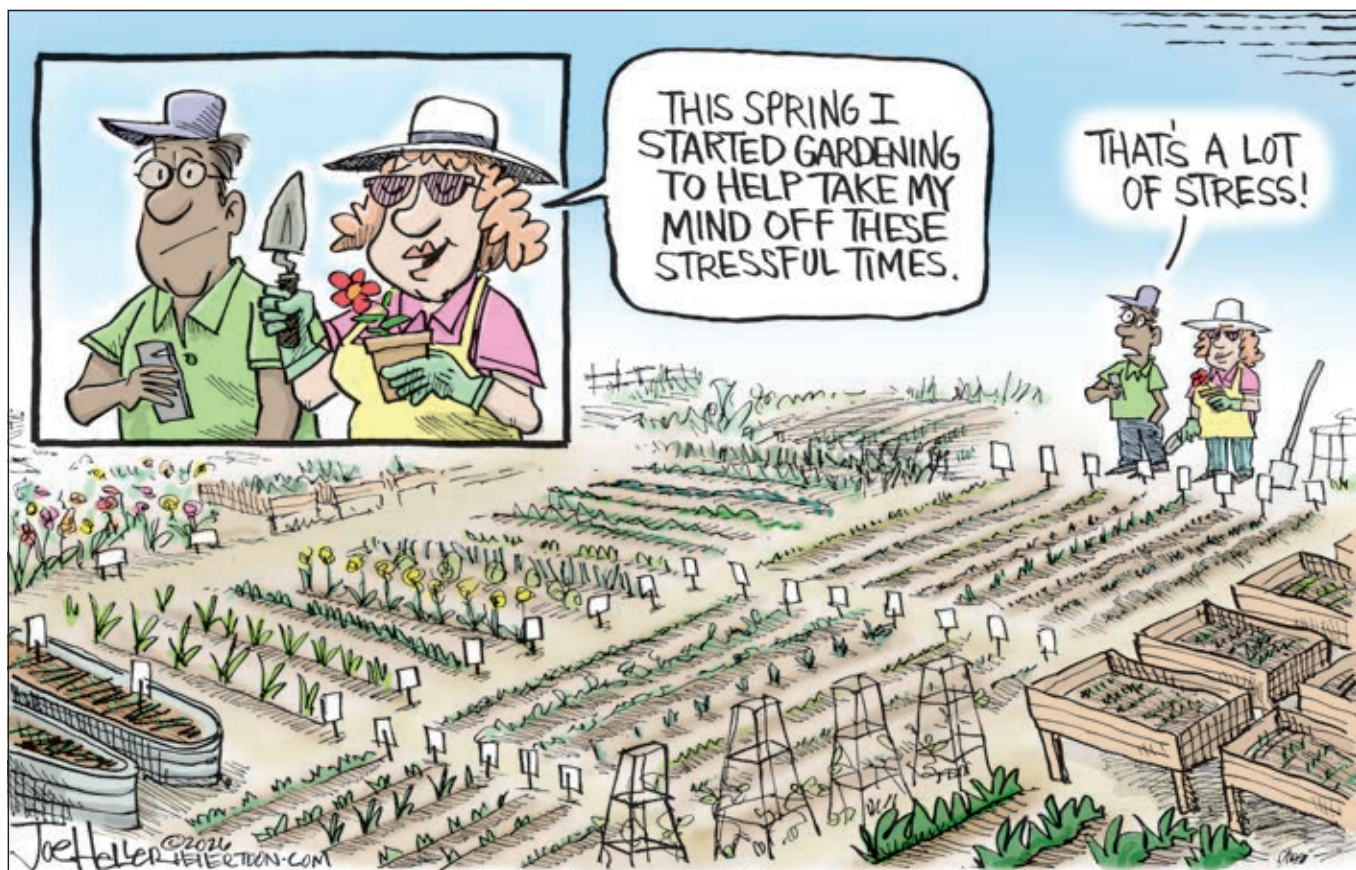
Her non-partisan approach ensures that she focuses on what truly matters—serving the best interests of the community.

As a native Oregonian, Commissioner Bell understands the values and priorities of the people she represents. She has consistently shown a strong commitment to the residents of Tillamook County, listening to concerns and working diligently on their behalf.

In a time when trust in leadership is more important than ever, Commissioner Bell stands out as someone who leads with transparency, fairness, and dedication. I encourage others to support her re-election.

Sincerely,

Jeff Tathwell
Tillamook



Vote Sherman

I am proud to endorse Max Sherman for Oregon House District 32. As my high school Agricultural Science and Plant Science teacher, and FFA advisor, Max taught me invaluable skills like public speaking, parliamentary procedure, and greenhouse management. His dedication to his students went far beyond the classroom—he shaped leaders, encouraged hard work, and inspired a love of learning that has stayed with me to this day.

Max is not only an exceptional educator but also a committed community member and local farmer. He has spent decades serving our community, supporting agriculture, volunteering, and mentoring future generations. Max understands the challenges families and local businesses face because he lives them every day. His campaign focuses on practical solutions, strong community values, and giving a voice to the people of Oregon.

Max Sherman's experience, integrity, and dedication make him the kind of leader Oregon needs. I wholeheartedly support him and encourage others to do the same.

Tiffany Jacob
Tillamook

Thank you

I'm Jeff Spink, Candidate for Tillamook County Commissioner Position #3. I wish to express my gratitude and thanks to everyone that has helped me on this journey. To the folks who have contributed financially, put up signage, put on events, scheduled meet and greets, taken personal time to corral me and keep me on track, donations and decorations, letter writing, Facebook posting, moral and spiritual support and the list goes on, I cannot thank you enough.

This journey started about sixteen years ago as co-chair with Americans for Prosperity in Tillamook. I became interested in running for County Commissioner after my time with AFP. As fate would have it, it wasn't in the cards at that time.

Two years ago, I made a strong run against an incumbent. I learned a great deal from that campaign. Here we are with less than a week before election day, I'm asking all of Tillamook County for your vote. For those that know me, know I'm capable, competent and willing to do this job.

For those that have cast their ballot, thank you. This primary election cycle is very important on so many differing levels. Local, State and Federal candidates need your vote so don't sit this one out. Make your voices heard, vote to help make Tillamook County and Oregon a better place.

Think Jeff Spink for Tillamook County Commis-

sioner Position #3. I will be honored to be your voice, your seat at the table.

Jeff Spink

Support the fire merger

I totally support the union of the Tillamook Fire District and the Bay City Fire Department. I believe it is beneficial to both communities to pool our resources and join together.

Thank you,

Jennifer Robitsch
Owner of Madeline's
Vintage Marketplace
Tillamook

Vote yes for Tillamook Bay Fire & Rescue

Thank you, Will Chappell for reporting on the Tillamook/Bay City Fire Department merger proposal.

I have read several Facebook comments from people opposed to the merger and increase of rates for the Tillamook taxpayers. None of us like to pay more taxes yet I believe it is important to provide adequate funding for services.

I don't know of anyone who is living day to day on their 1993 income. We get what we pay for is a saying. I believe we deserve better. We are voting YES for the merger.

The fire service needs to attract and retain qualified employees, maintain fire apparatus and medical equipment as well as facilities. I was finance director at Jackson County Fire District No. 3 and worked for the district over 23 years.

Join us in voting YES on Measures 29-185 and 29-186.

Louise Bogard
Tillamook

Vote Hamalian

I've known Alex Hamalian since I was introduced to him by my stepdad at an Order of the Antelope meeting. Since then, he's become not only my attorney, but my friend and neighbor in Netarts. He has been part of Tillamook County since he opened his law firm in downtown Tillamook in 2002 and I'm excited to vote for him as our next Circuit Court Judge. I urge all the community to do so as well.

We need judges who are not only qualified, but who care deeply about the people they serve. Alex brings that sense of responsibility and connection to everything he does. He's someone who listens, treats people with respect and understands that behind every case is a human story.

Alex is the kind of judge Tillamook County deserves. Please return your ballot by May 19th and vote for Alex Hamalian.

Jesse Schneider
Netarts Or

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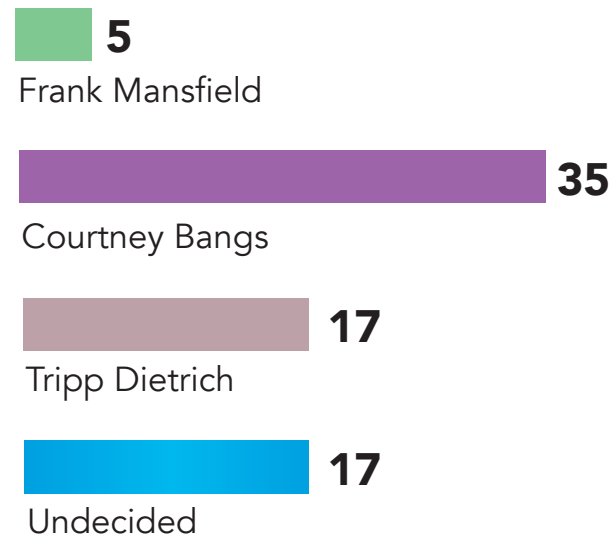
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FENCEPOSTS

OKAY, NOW WHAT?

You have shopped at the local plant sales and nurseries. Or maybe you were given plants for Mother's Day. You have your cherry tomatoes, your cucumbers and your zucchini plants. What do you do with them? I know you are anxious to get them into the ground or in pots, but that might not be the wisest thing to do in mid-May. We often get a light frost in May, so it's best to give things another week before risking planting them.

So, the first thing to do once you get plants home from the nursery is to slow down and give them a gentle transition. Most nursery plants have been grown in a protected environment with steady watering and filtered light. Your driveway, patio or garden bed can be brighter,

windier, cooler at night and drier than what they're used to. Before you plant anything, set the pots in a sheltered spot out of direct afternoon sun and strong wind, and take a quick look at the soil moisture. If the pot feels light and the mix is dry an inch down, water thoroughly until water drains from the bottom. If it's already wet, don't add more—roots need oxygen as much as they need moisture.

Next, do a fast "plant health check" while you still have the plant contained in its pot. Look over the stems and the tops and undersides of leaves for speckling, sticky residue, webbing, chewed edges or clusters of tiny insects. Catching issues early prevents bringing problems into your garden beds (or, with houseplants, spreading pests to other plants). Remove yellowed leaves, pinch off any broken stems and discard any

obviously diseased plant rather than trying to "save" it next to healthy starts. If you bought multiple plants, keep the most suspicious ones a little apart for a week or two so you can monitor them as they settle in.

If your plants are headed outdoors—especially warm-season crops like those tomatoes, cucumbers and zucchini—plan to harden them off unless you know they have already been living outside at the nursery. Hardening off simply means gradually increasing a plant's exposure to sun, wind, and temperature swings over about a week. Start with a few hours in bright shade, then lengthen the time outside each day while easing them into morning sun first. This step helps prevent leaf scorch, wilting, and the stall that gardeners call "transplant shock." It can feel like an extra chore, but it often makes the difference between plants



GARDENING MATTERS
CARLA ALBRIGHT

that sulk for weeks and plants that take off.

While your plants acclimate, prepare the place they will live. Make sure the spot matches the plant's light needs. Start by loosening soil so new roots can move easily. Mix in compost if your soil is sandy or heavy and make the planting hole wide enough to spread roots without bending them. When it's time to plant, slide the root ball out gently. If roots are circling tightly, tease a few loose around the outside so they don't keep spiraling.

Set the plant at the same depth it was in the pot (tomatoes are a common exception and can be planted deeper), firm the soil around it and avoid packing it down like concrete.

Finish by watering your plant well. A deep soak settles soil around the roots and removes air pockets. For the first week or two, check daily—new transplants can dry out fast, especially in wind. Water when the top inch or two of soil is dry, aiming at the base of the plant so leaves stay as dry as possible. A light layer of mulch helps conserve moisture and keeps soil temperatures steadier, but keep mulch pulled back from the stem to prevent rot. If a warm day surprises you, temporary shade (even a simple cloth or overturned crate) can reduce stress while the roots catch up. Keep in mind it is always better to water deeply, so plants' roots are encouraged to grow

downward into the soil. If plants are watered too lightly, they tend to have shallow roots. Not good for things like tomatoes or even annuals and perennials.

Lastly, give yourself permission to observe before you intervene. A little droop the first afternoon can be normal, but persistent wilting, yellowing or spots are signals to adjust watering, protect from cold nights or troubleshoot pests. Keep plant tags so you don't forget spacing and maturity size and consider a quick note in a garden journal about when you planted and how the weather behaved.

Shopping and bringing plants home are the fun parts, but real success comes from those first careful days—when you help your new tomatoes, cucumbers and zucchini trade the nursery's comfort for a strong start in your garden.

Bay City Arts Center holds an all you can eat "Artful Breakfast" from 8 a.m. until noon each third Sunday, monthly. In May it falls this Sunday, May 17. Billed as "Great food, cooked by great people for a great cause, ART!", the menu includes all you can eat eggs, pancakes, beans, salsa, fruit, fruit and coffee. The price is \$10 for adults 13 and older, \$9 for members, and \$5 for children. The address is 5680 A Street in Bay City.

Kiawanda Community Center (KCC) serves senior lunches at 11:30 on Tuesdays (May 12) and Wednesdays (May 13) for \$3 each. (Others may partake for \$6.)

Bingo there is planned from 1-3 p.m. on Thursdays (May 14). The address is 34600 Cape Kiawanda Drive, in Pacific City. For more information call 971-212-7131 or go to kiwanda.com.

Story time happens at South Tillamook County Library at 3:30 p.m. on second and fourth Wednesdays (May 13, 27) monthly. Children of all ages are invited; the program includes stories, singing and moving about. Family fun is in store there at 11 a.m. on third Saturdays (May 16) with a variety of activities. The movie "Rio" will show at 2 p.m. (also this Saturday). Rated G, Rio is an animated comedy-adventure

that centers on a flightless Macaw who acts more human than bird.

Poets and poetry lovers of all ages are invited to drop by South Tillamook County Library to listen to and read a poem at 5 p.m. on the Third Tuesday, monthly (May 19). Free help with smartphones, tablets, laptops, and similar devices at 3 p.m. on third Wednesdays (May 20). Be there at 5 p.m. that evening (third Wednesdays, monthly) for an hour of coloring time. This program is for adults 19 and older.

Language learners can practice their skills at South Tillamook County Library at 4 p.m. on Thursdays. French conversation hap-



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pens on second Thursdays (May 14), German conversation happens on third Thursdays (May 21), Italian conversation is slated for fourth Thursdays (May 28) and Spanish/English conversation happens on first Thursdays (June 4). The library is located off Bro-

ten Road on Camp Street in Pacific City.

Thanks to Teresa Smith for word that Nesko Women's Club (a philanthropic group open to any woman residing in south Tillamook County) will hold their monthly lunch meeting this Friday. Folks will gather at 11:30 in the Fay Jensen Room at Kiawanda Community Center (address above). An election of officers and planning for Nesko's annual 4th of July "Bake Sale and More" will take the place of a speaker or program. Optional lunch is available by reservation only. Call Robin at 530-913-4171 or email her at robinkaeredmond@gmail.com.

Let's mark our calendars for 1 p.m. on Sunday, June 7th for Tillamook Serenity Club's 12th Annual "Don't Get High" Tea. It will be hosted by Pacific Restaurant and will include a silent auction, savory and sweet foods, and a variety of specialty teas. The address is 205 Main Avenue in Tillamook. Admission is \$40; for advance tickets call Joanne, 503-842-1115.

Happy birthday this week to- Lisa Anderson, Bridger Bennett, Ryan Benton, Kayden Bowen, Olivia Grace Corey, Cody Faust, Brooke Hagerty, Tamsyn Hurliman, Joey Munsell, Pam Peterson, JoAnna Simmitt, and Madison Wickham.

I have to remember that I am writing in one week, but this will publish the following week. Therefore, it is time to remind you of the May primary election. Please check out the voter's pamphlet if you have interest in a candidate but do not know much about them or who is endorsing them. The pamphlet is a wealth of knowledge. Get your ballot and vote.

Mary Faith Bell is running for the County Commission seat – this would be her third term. I met her years ago when

she was working at the hospital and my husband was being discharged. She was so compassionate and caring through that process. And seeing her the other day, she was the same. She had that same energy and enthusiasm for what she was doing. She takes a thoughtful approach as a commissioner, and now has several years' experience in this position, gaining knowledge about how the system works, and how to get things done. This is something I can understand now that I have been on

the city council for three years. It takes time to gain the experience needed to move changes through a government system. Please consider her candidacy when you cast your ballot. She has my vote.

The city just completed the first public step in the budget process. The budget committee met this week and over the course of two evenings, reviewed, amended, and approved the fiscal year 2026/2027 budget. Very few changes can be made to the budget going forward.

Committee Member Judy Riggs made several suggestions to management related to the budget narrative and the need for additional transparency and explanation of the major line items in the document. This would assist committee members and the public in understanding what the city is doing in the upcoming budget year.

Another item of interest to both Judy and I is the sewer discount program. The committee was curious about why more funds are not used to assist folks in this community, as is intended. The city has a contract with CARE in Tillamook to take applications from community members who would like to request assistance and provide some reduction in their billings. Right now, there is only one participant in this program. The council will look into this further to see if more relief can be provided.

Member Gary Owens stressed the need to charge the street fee correctly. Which remains at \$10 monthly. The committee learned that about \$45,000 will be collected this fiscal year, and under this budget will be in its own fund – Transportation Utility Fee Fund (TUFF). Expenditures can only be made after a street maintenance plan has been prepared and is approved by the Bud-



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get Committee. There are several projects that the public works superintendent pointed out that can be done with these funds to improve city streets. As a result, the committee put in line items for street repairs so funds can be used when that plan is drafted and approved.

Member Tim Hall had interest in several budget areas. He mentioned the fire levy and the committee learned that it would be appropriate to consider a request in the November election. Our new fire chief seems to be on top of that. Look for that in the fall.

Member Findling expressed interest in the technology related items and offered his expertise to the city if needed.

Councilors stood firm on repairs to city hall. The proposed \$164,000 seemed far too high and everyone on the committee wanted more information on exactly what repairs were needed in order to reopen

the offices and community spaces. Councilors requested this item be on the May city council agenda. In the end, the committee approved \$115,000 as an amount that might be used for building repairs.

Those were two long evenings. The committee seemed to function and interact; there was a lot of conversation around the table. However, technology did not function well. Another administrative item for the city.

Lastly, I would like to explain executive sessions. These "sessions" are permitted under the Public Meeting Laws for elected officials to be able to discuss things that are normally precluded from the public. This includes personnel issues, such as hiring, firing, or performance related discipline. And under Oregon law, the employee has the option of having a public hearing or one in an executive session. These are not secret meetings. They must be made known through the "notice" process, where the city publishes an agenda and holds a meeting so the public can see the elected officials go into the session and hear what, if anything, comes out. They are closely governed by legal requirements. These have not been fun, and I would very much like to stop having them.

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It's Time for a Veterans Treatment Court-Alex Hamalian

Tillamook County has long prided itself on being a community that shows up for its own. That commitment should extend to the men and women who served our country, especially when they return home carrying invisible wounds. It's time for Tillamook County to establish a Veterans Treatment Court (VTC).

My Dad instilled in me core values to live by, like service and caring for others. My grandfather and Dad were both veterans who proudly served our country. While Tillamook currently operates a Behavioral Health Court and a Family Treatment Court, neither is designed to address the unique chal-

lenges many veterans face. Issues like PTSD, traumatic brain injury, and service-related substance use require specialized understanding and coordinated care. Without it, too many veterans find themselves caught in the justice system instead of getting the treatment they need.

Veterans Treatment Courts offer a proven alternative. These voluntary, court-supervised programs focus on accountability while connecting veterans to the treatment and support they deserve. Across Oregon and the country, VTCs have reduced recidivism, strengthened families, and honored their service in a meaningful way. Approximately 10% of our popula-

tion are veterans. Yet unlike many neighboring counties, we have not created a system tailored to serve them within our courts.

The principle is clear. In *Torres v. Texas Department of Public Safety*, the U.S. Supreme Court recognized that states owe a profound obligation to those who have served, an obligation that transcends convenience or politics. That same principle applies here.

Tillamook County can—and should—do better. Establishing a Veterans Treatment Court is a necessary step toward honoring our veterans not just in words, but in action.



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NEWS

CARE Inc.

Announces Elizabeth Asahi Sato as Executive Director

Tillamook County Community Action Resource Enterprises, Inc (CARE) is proud to announce the appointment of Elizabeth Asahi Sato as its new Executive Director, bringing extensive nonprofit leadership, operational expertise, and deep commitment to community centered service.

Asahi Sato has devoted her career to the nonprofit sector, serving as an Executive Director, Human Resources Director, Operations Director, and Nonprofit Consultant. Her leadership spans organizational development, workforce leadership, and systems change, with a consistent focus on strengthening missions that serve people experiencing hardship.

"I have devoted my career serving nonprofit organizations," said Asahi Sato. "Over the years, the constant that draws me back is the heart and spirit of the staff who serve 501(c)(3) organizations. CARE Inc. impressed me not only because of its commitment to healthier, more resilient communities, but because it hires people from lived experience that understand the rigor, challenge, and suffering of surviving on the streets. The staff at CARE Inc. have a special heart for the clients we serve."

CARE Inc.'s Board of Directors actively recruited Asahi Sato to join the organization. We recognized that "Elizabeth has many strengths. She brings a thoughtful, steady leadership style and a deep understanding of the complexities facing our community," said Marie Miller, Board Chairman. "Her experience and values align closely with CARE Inc.'s commitment to effective, compassionate, and accountable services. We recognize how fortunate we are to have Elizabeth as our leader," said Miller.

"Our Board is exceptional," Asahi Sato noted. "Each member genuinely wants to engage proactively with partners and make a meaningful impact for those without shelter or a warm place to live. With the Board's passion and the staff's commitment, I believe CARE Inc. will set a precedent not just for best practices, but for the most humane and compassionate level of care for human beings."

Ms. Asahi Sato brings a strong background in Indigenous community partnership and leadership. She is the Founder of Rise to Excellence LLC, through which she has worked closely with



Elizabeth Asahi Sato

Indigenous communities, tribal governments, and tribal nonprofit organizations nationwide. She was elected by her peers to the Board of Directors of the National Native American Human Resources Association (NNAHRA), a national organization serving more than 2,000 members and over 400 tribes, with a mission to support tribal sovereignty, self sufficiency, and self governance.

Asahi Sato shared her appreciation for serving in Tillamook County, acknowledging the Indigenous history of the region. "I invite every neighbor across Tillamook County to connect with CARE Inc.; we welcome you to ask questions, to learn what we do, and to explore this new chapter with us. We are entering a season of revival: renewing hope, strengthening partnerships, and recommitting to the dignity and well being of every person. Our doors and our hearts are open, and we welcome the community to be part of what comes next. Tillamook County Commissioner Erin Skaar shared her enthusiasm about Asahi Sato's appointment to lead CARE, Inc. "Elizabeth brings significant leadership and fundraising experience and will be a valuable asset to our community," Commissioner Skaar said.

Ms. Asahi Sato is an American Leadership Forum Senior Fellow and a recipient of O Magazine's Eighty Emerging Leaders recognition, as well as the Southwest Washington Woman of Achievement award. She holds an Executive Master of Public Administration

from Portland State University's Mark Hatfield School of Government, a Graduate Certificate in Nonprofit Management, and is currently completing her PhD at Columbia International University. Her dissertation, "A New Way to Lead: Kokoro-zashi and Steward Leadership," explores culturally grounded leadership models that bring out the best in future leaders.

As Executive Director, Elizabeth Asahi Sato will guide CARE Inc.'s strategic direction, strengthen community and partner relationships, and advance the organization's mission to address hunger and homelessness with dignity, accountability, and compassion.

CARE Inc. also extends an invitation to business colleagues, partners, and affiliates across Oregon, from the private sector to nonprofit and public benefit organizations, who have worked with Elizabeth Asahi Sato along the way: join us in this next chapter. We welcome you to be part of a growing movement to care for our houseless neighbors through partnership, resources, and shared responsibility. Connect with CARE Inc. to inquire, explore ways to engage, and help strengthen a community where dignity, stability, and belonging are possible for all.

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OBITUARY

Wilma A. Myers

July 25, 1941 - April 21, 2026

Our beloved mother, Wilma Aagard Myers, devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, passed away peacefully on April 21, 2026, at the age of 84, in Roseburg, OR.

Wilma was born in Levan, Utah on July 25, 1941, to Wilmer and Norma Aagard. Wilma grew up in Milford, Utah.

Wilma will be remembered for her warm loving nature, for her commitment and dedication to her family and those around her, and for her love of the church. She loved to fill her home with family and would offer food, snacks and drinks or whatever else you might need, the entire time you were there. She loved visiting with family. Mom would light up when the kids, grandkids, and great grandkids came around. She loved going for rides to watch the waves at the Barview Jetty, always stopping at the DQ for a "Blizzard" on the way home. She loved



going to the Tillamook cheese factory for ice cream and treats and later in life loved her weekly trips to Wildlife Safari, to see the animals. We are all blessed to have these memories with Mom.

She married her high school sweetheart, Edward E. Myers on September 5th, 1957. Later they were sealed to each other for eternity in the LOS Temple

in Portland, OR. They were members of the Tillamook LOS Church.

Wilma was survived by her children, Greg (Elaine), Gaylene, and Stacy (Matt), many grandchildren and great grandchildren, also her sister Joniel (Ron) Myers and her brother Brent (Kris) Aagard both of Utah.

"Of all the special gifts in life, however great or small,

To have you as our Mother, was one of the greatest gifts of all"

She was preceded in death by her husband, Edward E. Myers (finally together again), parents Wilmer and Norma Aagard, brother Norman "Roger" Aagard, and grandson Preston Udenby.

The family has chosen to have private services for family. We appreciate your understanding and support during this time.

"She lived with grace, gave with kindness, and left the world brighter than she found it"

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RATE INCREASE

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the rate increase will be used on capital projects and that he was confident it would be sufficient to stabilize the wastewater utility fund while the city goes through the bond process.

Regarding water rates, at the council's last meeting, Councilor Brian Reynolds had asked about the need to increase water rates by 18% given that the city has not drawn on

a \$7.2-million loan from Business Oregon to help with a water mainline improvement project underway at the port. Lewis said that he had reached out to the organization, and they had advised that since the city was not borrowing the money, there was no need to increase water rates, leading Lewis to recommend the same.

Lewis also announced that there will be a meeting May 13, at 10 a.m. at the Tillamook Colosseum Theatre with downtown business owners to discuss ongoing issues with parking. Lewis said that since police began trying to encourage compliance

with existing ordinances last fall without issuing citations, city staff had heard varying opinions from business owners about how they wanted to see rules enforced and that the summit would give them a chance for discussion and real time feedback using tools on their phones.

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The Miracle Worker cast announced

TILLAMOOK ASSOCIATION FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

The Tillamook Association for the Performing Arts (TAPA) announces the cast of “The Miracle Worker” the powerful and deeply moving play written by William Gibson and directed by Ann Harper. “The Miracle Worker” opens May 29th and runs through June 14th. Tickets are on sale now at tillamooktheater.com or by calling 503-812-0275.

This timeless play tells the inspiring true story of Helen Keller, a young girl left blind and deaf after an illness, and Annie Sullivan, the determined teacher who changes her life forever.

This production features a dynamic cast that brings together both adults and young performers, blending experienced stage veterans with talented newcomers. The result is a vibrant and heartfelt ensemble that captures the emotional depth and energy of this beloved story. The production includes Alice Atwood as Helen Keller, Michaila Mitchell as Anne Sullivan, Kelsey Jordan as Kate Keller, Logan Steinbach as Capt. Arthur Keller, Valerie Sewell as Aunt Ev, Maddox Winters as James Keller, CarolAnn Sisco as Viney,

Dennis Darling as Doctor, Leah Jordan Martins as Martha, Anthony Kleeman as Percy, Steve Sewell as Dr. Michael Anagnos, Grace Loftis as a servant, Lilith Barajas, Audrey Stenberg, Willa Sorg, and Logan Walker as blind children, and the offstage voices of Cameron and Carl Chambers.

Audiences will be drawn in by the intensity of the performances, the emotional depth of the story, and the triumph of the human spirit against overwhelming odds. “The Miracle Worker” is not just a play, it’s an experience that will leave you inspired long after the curtain falls.

ASL instruction for the actors and interpretation for this production will be provided through the TBCC ASL program. This program supports the development of students’ ASL knowledge while helping expand access and connection within the community. TBCC is excited to partner with TAPA to make this event more inclusive and welcoming. American Sign Language interpretation will be provided at each of the June performances.

“The Miracle Worker” is sponsored by Tillamook Vision Center and opens May 29th. Tickets are on sale now at tillamooktheater.com, or by calling TAPA’s box office at 503-812-0275.



The cast of The Miracle Worker

‘Vintage Hitchcock: A Live Radio’ Play Auditions

The Tillamook Association for the Performing Arts (TAPA) will hold auditions for

“Vintage Hitchcock: A Live Radio Play” written by Joe Landry, on May 17 at 1 p.m. at Oregon Coast Dance Center, located at 312 Main Ave in Tillamook. This production is looking for six to seven individuals who are enthusiastic, collaborative, and willing to explore this playful and inventive style of theater.

This unique production brings three classic Alfred Hitchcock stories to life in the style of a 1940s radio broadcast. Performed on-

stage with scripts in hand, actors take on multiple roles, shifting between characters, voices, and accents while also creating live sound effects. The result is a fast-paced and imaginative theatrical experience that allows audiences to both hear and see how a radio drama is made.

A radio play offers a distinctive kind of performance, blending storytelling with the artistry of foley sound effects and vocal versatility. The format captures the nostalgia and charm of mid-20th century broadcasting while inviting performers to engage their creativity in new ways.

No script memorization is required, making this an accessible opportunity for performers of all experience levels.

“Vintage Hitchcock: A Live Radio Play” is directed by Rebecca Dougherty and sponsored by Cyndi Lewis of Rob Trost Real Estate. Those interested in suspense,

character work, and the magic of live storytelling are encouraged to attend auditions and learn more about this engaging production. Learn more about the characters, the three different plays, and the roles available in the audition packet available on TAPA’s website: tillamooktheater.com

“Vintage Hitchcock: A Live Radio Play” will run September 4th through the 20th, tickets are on sale now on TAPA’s website at tillamooktheater.com.

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NEWS

NCCWP cohosts film screening

NORTH COAST CITIZENS FOR WATERSHED PROTECTION

Old Grove Films, Beyond Toxics and North Coast Communities for Watershed Protection are presenting a screening of "Free to Grow," with filmmaker Jesse Andrew Clark in attendance, on June 4. Doors open at 5:45 p.m., with the film starting at 6, at the Bay City Arts Center.

Admission is free. Local Emmy-winning filmmaker Jesse Andrew Clark's half-hour documentary "Free to Grow" is a chilling portrait of three families who put everything on the line to keep themselves safe from pesticide exposure. Oregonians have taken up the fight against aerial herbicide spraying by the forestry industry for over fifty years — but has public safety around these substances improved? Clark will introduce his film and answer ques-

tions after the screening. "The subjects I follow in the film convey the urgent need to overhaul one of the oldest industrial forestry practices," Clark notes. "The film shows how folks living near working forests, as well as forest workers themselves, bear the brunt of health effects, and are often left with little or no recourse." After the film, Jennifer Eisele from Beyond Toxics will discuss practical ways that coastal residents can keep

track of spraying in their communities and watersheds. This includes a first-of-its-kind map which plots pesticide applications in Oregon forests from 2014 to 2024. This mapping tool was recently featured on the University of Oregon's website: https://news.uoregon.edu/uo-labs-collaboration-nonprofit-brings-pesticide-use-oregon-light?utm_source=oregonnews-04-27-26 We will also provide resources to sign up for future

forestry herbicide spray notifications through the Oregon Forestry Activity Electronic Reporting and Notification System (FERNS). Beyond Toxics is an Oregon-based nonprofit, working toward cleaner water, air and environmental justice. Beyond Toxics supports legislation across Oregon that prioritizes health and wellness for communities affected by pesticides and pesticide drift. About NCCWP: North Coast Communities for Water-

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BEAVER School

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supply prevented redevelopment. A developer purchased the property in 2019 and worked with the school district on plans to turn it into a career and technical education hub that ultimately fell through after the district added a new building for that purpose at the high school.

Last year, the property came onto the market again, and with upgrades by the local water district making development possible, in November, the Shlukas purchased it. The couple previously developed the Kingfisher Apartments in Pacific City, which opened in October 2023, and by the time the school came on the market, they were ready to take on another project to add more affordable housing for the community.

"Our experience right now is that people really need affordability," Shluka said. "There's a lot of people out there that need housing that's cheaper than the housing that's currently available and this just feels like a good opportunity to provide that in a community that needs it."

Since purchasing the property, the Shlukas have contracted the same design and construction team that worked on a recent renovation of the former multiplex movie theatre in Lincoln City into workforce housing and been working with them on plans for the school.

Given the more than 30,000 square feet of existing space and 4.6 acres of property, Shluka said that they had purchased the property with the intention of maximizing its impact with multiple uses. Shluka has



This large hallway and several adjoining rooms near the school's entrance are slated to become a new branch of the Tillamook County library.

been reaching out to community organizations since purchasing the property to discuss possible uses and has already secured a commitment from the Tillamook County Library to open a new 3,500 square-foot library branch on the site.

The school's gymnasium presented another opportunity for a community asset and Shluka has been in discussions with the YMCA about opening it as a south county branch, though he is not sure if that possibility will come to fruition. Either way, Shluka said that they are committed to reopening the gym to locals, given its utility and history.

"Anybody I talk to, they went to school here, they helped build this, their children went to school here, they played games here, they went to dances here, everybody's got a story about this building," Shluka said. "And honestly, I think people are much more enthusiastic about the gym than they are about the library."

Other assets on the site include the school's old kitchen, which Shluka said he hopes to turn into a commercial kitchen that could be leased to local businesses,

a bus barn that could house maker spaces and plentiful parking that will allow tenants space to park trailers.

As for housing, Shluka said that the team is still working on finalizing layouts for the apartments and that there will be either 30 or 32. Shluka said that there will be five three-bedroom apartments, ten two-bedroom, 12 or 13 one-bedroom, and two or three studio units, with a goal of making them affordable to residents earning 35% to 85% of the area's median income. 12 of the apartments will be in a new building south of the current structures, with four or five built in the gymnasium building and the remainder in the old school building.

Shluka said that the couple hoped the diversity of apartment sizes would lead to a community with diverse age groups and that the wide affordability threshold would encourage a mix of socioeconomic backgrounds. The site's flat terrain and large size are also major pluses and will allow the apartments to be easily accessed by people with disabilities or limited mobility, Shluka said.

"One of the things that's

wonderful about this situation is that of the 32 apartments that we're proposing to build, eight of them will have stairs, the other 24 will be first floor and highly accessible," Shluka said. "So, it's a really great opportunity for people with mobility issues or people with disabilities to have not just a highly accessible unit for themselves but have many neighbors that also have really accessible units."

Shluka said that he is in talks with the Marie Mills Center, Sammy's Place, the Tillamook Family Counseling Center and Tides of Change about ways to designate certain apartments

for their clients, potentially through master leases. "I just think there's all kind of great overlaps here, great opportunities, lots of needs, so much potential with all the different things that are going on here," Shluka said.

The project was recently recommended for a \$100,000 grant from the Tillamook housing solutions production fund, and Shluka said that he is investigating the possibility of an agricultural workforce housing tax credit from Oregon Housing and Community Services to help further defray the cost of construction. Success with that credit will help determine the final level of the apartments' affordability,

Shluka said, but the couple has private lenders lined up to finance the project regardless.

Currently, the project team is working with the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality on plans for a drain field and septic system under the school's old baseball field while dialing in final plans for the renovation.

Shluka said that about half of the asbestos remediation needed at the property has been complete and that all new utility connections will be needed and that he hopes to begin construction sometime next year before opening the apartments in 2028.

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Dietrich vows action in state senate run



Tripp Dietrich

WILL CHAPPELL
Headlight Editor

With a lifetime of business experience and deep love for Oregon, Tripp Dietrich is looking to bring fiscal accountability and common-sense solutions to Salem

in his Republican primary campaign for state senate district 16.

Dietrich said that he would look to cut down on waste at state agencies, repeal the state's corporate activity tax and cut regulations stymying business and home development, and promised that he would bring a sense of urgency to the job.

"They (voters) are tired of having the same old legislators that are great members of the community, they're really nice, but when it comes down to it, they don't do anything," Dietrich said. "My word is, I'm someone that they can count on to do what they say because I've got eight generations of word here that I'm not going to ruin."

Dietrich comes from a long line of Oregonians, tracing his lineage back eight generations on his mother's side, and was born in Portland. Dietrich's grandfather purchased a house on Lake Lytle in Rockaway Beach in the 1940s, and Dietrich has spent his life visiting and now living in the area.

After attending a Canadian boarding school for high school, Dietrich matriculated at Babson College in Boston, where he rowed competitively, and continued a passion for entrepreneurship born in a high school pizza business through the school's business-focused curriculum. After graduating, Dietrich spent time in private wealth management at Smith Barney and as a sailboat captain in the Caribbean, before starting a textile company in New York City.

Around 2008, Dietrich began splitting his time between New York City and Oregon, as he started working at his family company, a multifaceted corporation that owns the Mill End Fabric Stores, large-scale commercial developments, hotels and previously an automotive auction business that was sold in 2022. Dietrich is the head of the company's real estate and housing division.

Dietrich went to the 2024 Republican National Convention in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where he said he met a lot of legislators from across Oregon, leading to his recruitment to run to represent senate district 16 while attending President Donald Trump's inaugura-

tion last year. Dietrich said that he had been motivated to run by seeing friends and family members leaving the state, a trend he hopes to reverse.

"Really, what got me is I look around and I don't see the opportunities to raise kids in the same Oregon I grew up in," Dietrich said. "I see a lot of my friends a lot of my family members all leaving and I can't stand idly by and allow that to happen when I think that I have something that can contribute."

Dietrich said that he believed the most important task facing legislators over the next five years will be dealing with a challenging fiscal situation and making cuts to balance the state's budget and reverse a trend of raising taxes and fees on businesses and residents. "We need to utilize the money that we are collecting a lot better, not raise taxes, which is just a shortcut for people who aren't innovative enough to figure out how to make your budget work," Dietrich said.

With his business background, Dietrich said he felt he was well equipped to face this challenge and that he would start by making state organizations performance based. Beyond that, Dietrich said that he would push for audits of the budgets for the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) and Oregon Health Authority (OHA).

Dietrich said that he felt

ODOT needed to cut back on costs that have ballooned in the past five years, mentioning the cost of bike lanes in Portland as one example.

As for OHA, Dietrich said he believed there was a lack of accountability attached to grants awarded to drug rehabilitation facilities, leading to "graft" by non-governmental organizations that overspend on administrative costs, rather than focusing funds on patient care. Dietrich also told the story of how he had received a year of fully paid coverage through the Oregon Health Plan, administered by OHA, even after trying to decline the insurance after purchasing a private insurance plan, and said the incident showed the need for better controls.

To help businesses, Dietrich said that he would push for a repeal of the state's corporate activity tax, which Dietrich criticized for being based on sales, saying it has a major impact on small businesses.

To encourage housing development, Dietrich said he would promote private-public partnerships between counties and developers, whereby county governments could alter zoning requirements around density or parking to allow more development. Dietrich said that he would also encourage developers to work with counties on preleasing buildings to access 0% interest loans from the Small Business Administration.

Oregon's schools need to refocus on reading, writing and math skills, Dietrich said, while arguing that new policies need to be instituted to remove politics from the classroom by preventing teachers from taking part in protests while at work.

Dietrich said that to tackle the homelessness crisis, he believed services should be available to those who had lived in communities before becoming homeless and that others should be returned to their places of origin, as small communities like those in district 16 could not support the large influx of outsiders.

When it comes to how he would work to achieve those policy initiatives as a member of a minority or super minority, Dietrich said that he would work to find solutions to problems that were beneficial to his constituents as well as those of Democratic lawmakers to win their support.

"You have to be able to roll with the punches and find innovative solutions to things, and that usually comes in the form of finding a middle ground but also finding something good for both parties," Dietrich said. "It's just like in a negotiation; you need to be able to understand what the other side needs and find a way for them to get a win but for you also to get a win for your people."

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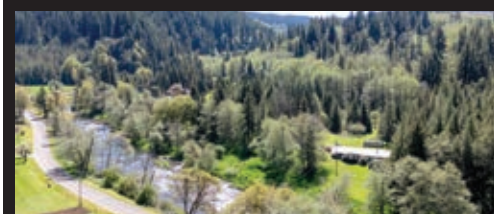
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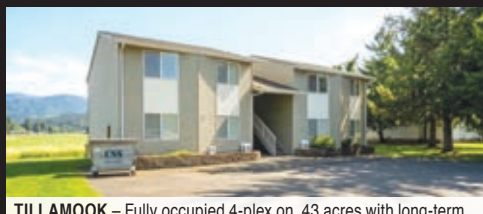
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Mooks in playoff hunt amid hot streak

BY MIKE WEBER
For The Headlight Herald

After a season marked by adversity, the Tillamook High Cheesemakers baseball team now find themselves in position for a late push to put them in the state playoffs for a second consecutive season. Following the resignation of sixth-year coach Matt Strang on April 3, interim Coach Travis Moncrief proceeded to guide the Mooks on a five-game win streak. The 12th ranked Mooks (4-4 Cowapa League, 11-9 overall) have continued that momentum, winning ten of their last 15 games, including a huge 8-7 home win May 6 over the second ranked

Scappoose High Indians (7-1 league, 15-6 overall). The win snapped a two-game losing streak. Tillamook lost 5-2 to Astoria on May 1, followed by a 3-1 home loss to Astoria May 4.

"I'm enjoying my new job now and we got off to a really good start since the coaching change," said Moncrief, whose squad includes assistant Coach Taylor Fosbind. "We lost two games to Astoria, but that's just kind of the nature of the game and that's the way the ball bounces sometimes. It's been a fun season with a few ups and downs along the way."

Moncrief, a 1990 Tillamook High graduate, was a Mooks assistant coach for six years prior to this season.

This is Moncrief's first season as a high school baseball head coach.

Against Scappoose, Mooks overcame a 2-0 Indian lead and went up 3-2 in the bottom of the third inning. Tyler Larson and Tristan Smith Evans (2-for-3, three RBI) each hit doubles and Kevin Hurliman and Jakoby Goss (3-for-3, three RBI) both singled to help lead the Mooks offensive rally.

After the Indians knotted it 3-3 in the top of the fifth, Goss hit a three-run homer in the bottom of the fifth to help the Mooks take a 6-3 lead. The Mooks added another run in the sixth for a 7-3 advantage. Scappoose came back and tied it 7-7 in the top of the seventh. The Mooks then

loaded the bases in the bottom of the seventh and junior Sam Gomes was then hit by a pitch, which allowed the Mooks to score a walk-off, game-winning run.

Mooks starting pitcher Goss (seven strikeouts, seven hits allowed) had a sparkling performance on the mound in seven and one-third innings. Junior relief pitcher Wrigley Percy allowed one hit and two runs, and struck out two in the seventh inning to help seal the Mooks' victory.

Tillamook is currently in third place in the league standings with three games remaining on their 12-game league schedule. The Indians are atop the standings, followed by the Astoria High Fishermen (4-3 league, 10-10

overall). The top two Cowapa teams earn an automatic playoff berth, leaving the Mooks in a good position to qualify for the 16-team state playoffs that begin May 26. The top 16-ranked teams also earn a playoff berth.

"We're hoping to qualify for the state playoffs and that's our goal," said Moncrief. "We're good enough to pitch and play with any team in the state. If our bats come alive, then nobody is going to want to play us in the playoffs, that's for sure. We're hoping that with our position in the standings we can remain in contention for the playoffs, but we hope it doesn't come down to the last game of the season."

The Mooks play a non-

league road game Tuesday at 5 p.m. against the Cottage Grove High Lions (4-17). The Mooks then meet the Seaside High Seagulls (1-5 league, 5-15 overall) Friday at 5 p.m. at home, followed by a May 18 rematch between the two squads at Seaside. The Mooks play their final regular season home game May 21 at 5 p.m. versus the St. Helens High Lions (2-5 league, 6-13 overall).

The Cheesemakers are hoping to have their starting catcher Vincent Maciel returning to their lineup soon. Maciel has been unable to play recently because of an illness and has not played since April 28 (a 7-1 win over St. Helens).

Pirates exit playoff race after improved season

BY MIKE WEBER
For The Headlight Herald

The Neah-Kah-Nie High Pirates have proven one of the most improved teams this year in the eight-team OSAA Class 3A Special District 1 baseball standings.

The Pirates (5-6 SD1, 8-10 overall) have exceeded their total number of wins from a year ago, when they had a 6-18 overall record and they finished eighth in the league standings with a 5-11 mark.

Unfortunately, after a 13-11 home loss May 6 to the Valley Catholic High Valiants (3-8 SD1, 6-14 overall), the Pirates were eliminated from state playoff contention.

The Pirates are in fourth place in the league standings

and needed a win to keep their hopes alive to possibly reach the state playoffs for the first time since 2023.

The Pirates had a chance to win too as they played a solid offensive game, out hitting the Valiants 14-8. The Pirates led 4-3 in the first inning and extended their lead to 6-3 in the third frame. Both teams scored two runs in the fourth and the Pirates remained on top 8-5 going into the fifth.

The Valiants got a run in the top of the fifth, knotting it 8-8. The Pirates then responded by scoring a run in the bottom half of the sixth inning for a 9-8 advantage and a victory seemed well within their grasp. The Valiants then regained the momentum in the seventh, as they outscored the Pirates 5-2

to get the win, while the Pirates lost their third straight.

The Pirates were led offensively by Nick Jones (1-for-2, three RBI), Kash Lorenz (2-for-4, RBI), Nathaniel Tinnes (2-for-4, RBI), Noah Scovel (1-for-4, RBI) and Brady Douma (2-for-4, RBI).

The Pirates, guided by third-year Coach Steve Overstreet and Assistant Coach Jeff Sargent, are hoping to win their final regular season contest at 4:30 p.m. May 18 at home versus the No. 9-ranked Horizon Christian High Hawks (8-3 SD1, 13-8). The game will mark the conclusion of their Pirate baseball career for seniors Douma, Scovel, Tinnes, Lorenz, Jones and Kason Fletcher.

"We've been playing really

well on defense, but we've just had a little trouble with our bats, which has sometimes prevented us from getting going offensively," said Overstreet. "Our game plan is to just kind of keep the games close. Sometimes they go our way and sometimes they don't."

The Pirates have had a chance to win most of their games, as they've lost eight games this year by four runs or less, including five league games.

The Hawks are in third place, one spot ahead of the Pirates. The top three teams in the league qualify for the 20-team 3A baseball state championship tournament that begins with first round games May 25.

Neah-Kah-Nie had some

momentum two weeks ago when they won a road game 11-6 over the Corbett High Cardinals (4-7 SD1, 7-11 overall) April 27, extending their win streak to three straight.

Unfortunately, the win streak was snapped in two days later in a 6-3 road loss to the Rainier High Columbians (4-6 SD1, 9-9 overall). A second consecutive defeat followed in a close 4-2 loss May 4 on the road to the No. 8-ranked defending league champion Warrenton High Warriors (9-2 SD1, 14-7 overall).

"The loss to Rainier really hurt us and we definitely just came out flat in that game," said Overstreet. "They (Columbians) jumped in front of us by getting some good, clutch hits and we

just couldn't overcome the deficit."

The close loss to Warrenton, was a signal that the Pirates can play very competitively against highly regarded top ten ranked teams.

"We had chance against Warrenton, and we were right there in it with a victory within our reach too," said Overstreet. "We just made a couple of key errors that they (Warriors) capitalized on. We couldn't capitalize on a couple of mistakes that they made, so that was the difference in the game. I was very proud of the kids for playing so well against one of the best teams in our league. We definitely showed that we can hang in there with the best teams."

Mooks seek win Wednesday

BY MIKE WEBER
For The Headlight Herald

The Class 4A Tillamook High Cheesemakers (0-9 Cowapa League, 4-16 overall) will look to snap a nine-game losing streak when they meet the Class 3A Taft High Tigers (3-8 SD3, 6-11 overall) in OSAA nonleague softball at Taft High School in Lincoln City on Wednesday.

The Cheesemakers are op-

timistic about their chances for a victory, which would be their first since a 7-6 home win April 11 over the 3A Valley Catholic High Valiants (6-4 SD1, 9-6 overall).

The Mooks have struggled all year in the very tough five team Cowapa League, which consists of three top-four ranked teams - including the No. 2-ranked defending state champion Astoria High Fishermen (5-1 league,

14-4 overall) and the No. 1 ranked Scappoose High Indians (6-2 league, 17-3 overall).

Tillamook lost on the road 16-1 to Astoria on May 5, which marked their seventh consecutive loss. The contest concluded after three innings via the OSAA Mercy Rule that signals a game is over whenever there's a 15-run margin.

The Mooks, guided by Coach Chelsea Miller, were

outhit 18-2 by the hard-hitting Fishermen. Tillamook senior Meghan Erickson (1-for-1) and junior Danielle Stockdale (1-for-1) each had a hit. Senior Paige Wright had an RBI to help the Mooks avoid a shutout

"We're disappointed because we were hoping to put some more runs on the scoreboard, but that continues to be a challenge for us and we just need to improve," said Miller.

"They (Fishermen) just really came out swinging their bats very well and they're a great team. We had hoped to play similar to the way we played in our last game against them (a 5-1 home loss May 1). It was nice to see that we could compete well against the No. 2-ranked team in the state."

Tillamook lost their eighth straight game in a May 7 13-3 loss to the

Indians at Scappoose High School.

The Cheesemakers play their next Cowapa contest on the road Friday at 5 p.m. against the Seaside High Seagulls (1-4 league, 8-9 overall). They'll meet the Seagulls again May 18 at 5 p.m. at home, followed by their season finale on the road May 21 against the No. 4-ranked St. Helens High Lions (5-2 league, 15-5 overall).

NEWS

New research reveals increased wildfire risk for more than 400 communities in Northwest

STEVE LUNDEBERG
Guest Article

A new wildfire risk assessment tool that takes social vulnerability into account indicates more than 400 communities in the Pacific Northwest are at greater risk than previously thought.

However, researchers at Oregon State University and The Nature Conservancy say their assessment tool could inform fair distribution of risk reduction resources.

Andy McEvoy of the OSU College of Forestry led the creation of the tool, which integrates social vulnerability with factors such as structure density and environmental hazard and was presented in Environmental Research Letters.

Among the communities whose risk level increased are the Oregon towns of Cave Junction, La Pine and Glendale and the Washington towns of Selah, White Salmon and Ellensburg.

The researchers found that Northwest communities with

both high wildfire hazard and high social vulnerability tended to be small - having fewer than 5,000 buildings - and were mainly in the drier portions of the region. Examples of communities in need of higher prioritization by funding allocators include Warm Springs, Oregon, and Goldendale, Washington.

"Warm Springs and Goldendale have slightly lower wildfire exposure than some nearby, better-resourced communities like Bend and Leavenworth, but they experience greater social vulnerability and therefore are likely to experience greater impacts if a fire occurred," said co-author Chris Dunn, also of the College of Forestry. "By blending a mix of factors, our assessment method is a path toward more equitable investments in community wildfire risk reduction."

Social vulnerability refers to community characteristics that partially influence capacity to withstand and recover from events such as wildfires, floods and earthquakes. The U.S.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention uses data categorized under four themes - socioeconomic status, household characteristics, racial and ethnic minority status, and housing type and transportation - in its social vulnerability index.

"This tool balances the important element of social vulnerability with wildfire exposure, highlighting communities that are experiencing a relatively high degree of both," Dunn said. "In a paper published in 2024 by OSU researchers, we observed that a lack of investment in mitigation and fire suppression resources led to more fire impacts in socially vulnerable communities - even when their other risk factors were comparatively low. The new tool is a huge step forward for allocating risk mitigation funds in a more equitable and effective way."

The authors explain that the level of wildfire impact on a community depends on a variety of factors including

its firefighting capacity, the surrounding landscape and the characteristics of its "home ignition zones" - i.e., how much flammable material is in close proximity to buildings.

Prefire mitigation, smoke management plans, wildfire response and postfire recovery are a function of a community's access to resources and its level of participation in wildfire management networks, the researchers say.

"Despite official and unofficial demands that social vulnerability be better accounted for in wildfire mitigation decision making, there have been few decision-support tools to help with that," McEvoy said. "The current tools don't really factor in a community's demographic and socioeconomic data."

The researchers applied their novel tool, which integrates a social vulnerability index with a quantitative wildfire risk assessment, to 1,005 communities in the Northwest. Almost half of them, 459, were shown to

be at greater risk than the quantitative assessment alone indicated. Based on the new tool, 26 would be elevated to the "priority" status for receiving funding for risk mitigation measures such as education, planning and fuels reduction.

Those 26 include Ephrata, Washington, and White Swan, Washington.

"Communities experiencing less social vulnerability often have the capacity and resources needed to apply for and make use of publicly funded mitigation," McEvoy said. "The many communities across the Northwest that are experiencing high social vulnerability have less capacity and fewer resources - but that doesn't mean they aren't facing the same risk, or even greater."

For 541 communities in the study, risk level went down when social vulnerability was included in the equation. The largest decreases in risk were seen in communities with the highest per-capita income.

Seventy-four communi-

ties were considered priority communities with or without taking social vulnerability into account; all are in regions categorized as high hazard.

"Oregon and Washington communities increasingly see the direct impacts of extreme wildfire on people and the forests that support them, and these datasets reveal which communities experience the greatest wildfire risk and are under-resourced for fire preparedness and recovery," said co-author Kerry Metlen of The Nature Conservancy. "Using these data will facilitate more effective local partnerships to restore resilient landscapes, help communities adapt and develop smoke management plans that will allow forests and people of the Pacific Northwest to thrive."

The U.S. Forest Service funded the study.

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submitted in February, also found that Olson was inadequate in training and supervising the deputy district attorneys (DDA) investigated in the report, fostered poor relationships with law enforcement agencies, particularly the Tillamook County Sheriff's Office (TCSO), was indifferent to the work of criminal justice partners designated to support victims and allowed one DDA to persist in a pattern of belittling another employee, including in public meetings.

The report also noted a precipitous drop in the number of cases pursued by the office since Olson took over as district attorney in 2023, as well as the number of cases going to trial. Investigator Katie Suver, a retired prosecutor with more than 25 years of experience, also identified numerous cases in which she believed plea deals had been agreed to that were too lenient in their punishment, particularly in cases related to domestic violence or sexual assault.

Perhaps the most damning conclusion drawn by Suver was that many of the issues seemed to stem from a lack of desire to be an advocate for victims and an undue preoccupation with the rights of criminal defendants by both Olson and her DDAs.

"At no time during my interview with DA (district attorney) Olson did she ever address any desire to be a voice and advocate for victims. I asked her what motivated her into prosecution, and she said she did not really even know if she wanted to be a prosecutor," Suver wrote. "In the five-plus hours that we spoke, she never expressed any desire or motivation to be an advocate for victims... DA Olson appears more of an advocate for a defendant than a victim."

Background and investigation

Suver's investigation began in November 2025 when she was retained by the Tillamook County board of commissioners to investigate complaints against the DA's office "from law enforcement, victims, elected officials and community partners related to professionalism, competency, community safety and victim advocacy," according to the report. Suver, who prosecuted more than 300 criminal cases in her career with the Linn and Marion County DAs' offices, received a spreadsheet from the county's human resources department with a list of 17 different complaints, which had been submitted by a whistleblower at TCSO, as well as several other

documents, and began her investigation.

Over the course of the three-plus-month investigation, Suver interviewed more than a dozen people, including law enforcement officers, community partners, victims, victims' advocates and each of the DDAs being investigated as well as Olson. She also reviewed trial recordings and court pleadings in 11 cases and analyzed larger trends in cases over the course of Olson's tenure.

The DDAs investigated are county employees, while Olson, an elected official, is an employee of the Oregon Department of Justice and not subject to oversight by the board of commissioners.

Suver submitted her report to the county on February 19, and the Headlight Herald received a redacted version from the county on May 8. In the report reviewed by the Headlight Herald, the names of victims and the whistleblower employee at TCSO, as well as the three DDAs who were the subject of complaints were redacted.

Interviews

Suver's report begins with interviews with eight law enforcement officers, including the whistleblower and Tillamook County Sheriff Josh Brown, community partners from Tides of Change, the Tillamook Family Counseling Center (TFCC) and Tillamook County Child Advocacy Center (CAC), as well as Commissioner Paul Fournier and an unnamed victim's parent.

In his interview, the whistleblower said that after Olson took office, he had noticed a disturbing trend of instances of what he considered incompetence or severe negligence, leading him to begin compiling the list of issues, which eventually ran to 17 instances.

The whistleblower said that one of his major concerns was the large increase in the number of cases in which no action was taken after TCSO investigated suspects. He said that during former DA Bill Porter's tenure, deputies had received emails updating them when no action was pursued in a case, but that under Olson the practice had stopped, he believed to "try to minimize the negative impact it could have on morale."

Communication between the DA's office and victims also changed substantially when Olson took over, according to the whistleblower, with the office discontinuing the practice of calling victims when cases were not proceeding, instead opting to send a letter. The whistleblower also told Suver that the DA's office had told deputies to stop talking to victims once cases were filed, after they

began telling victims when cases were dropped.

Communication with law enforcement also deteriorated in a significant way, the whistleblower told Suver, as Olson removed an open-door policy Porter had maintained for law enforcement officers at the DA's office and asked them to schedule appointments for calls or before coming to the office.

The whistleblower walked Suver through the list of concerning incidents, which she also reviewed and discussed in detail later in the report (see cases).

Brown, in his interview, echoed many of the concerns voiced by the whistleblower while expanding on them and describing a generally dysfunctional relationship with Olson since she became DA.

Brown's biggest concern was a perception that Olson lacked a strong understanding of the way that the justice system works, asking that cases be ready for trial before she was willing to seek charges or proceed to a grand jury. Brown said that this flew in the face of his training and previous experience with Porter, explaining that continuing investigations after filing charges was standard practice and that seeking charges was a tool to keep suspects away from victims.

Brown told Suver that he had been consistently frustrated by Olson allowing suspects to be released either without charges or if charged, without release agreements, saying it happened "nine out of ten" times.

Olson's communication was also a serious concern for Brown, who said it had been easy to get in touch with Porter, but that a new on-call system and requirement to schedule appointments to speak with Olson and her DDAs had caused issues.

As for the direction for his deputies not to speak with victims, Brown said that he felt it stemmed from a desire to hide the truth from victims, who usually only called deputies after not receiving information from the DA's office.

Taken in total, the high bar for pursuing charges and dismissive attitude towards victims gave Brown the impression that seeking accountability for criminals and justice for victims did not seem to be the primary motivating factor for Olson and her office.

"It doesn't seem like the DA's office as a whole actually considers accountability of the offender and protection of the victims in their charging decisions, if that makes sense," Brown told Suver. "It's just what they have time for and what they think they might be able to win, and what just seems like it will be convenient."

Brown said that Olson also had a concerning habit

of accusing his deputies of being biased. As an example, Brown described an instance in which the victim of a purported crime refused, on bodycam, to cooperate with a responding deputy who tried to investigate. Nevertheless, in a motion to dismiss a separate, related case, Olson cited the incident as cause and accused the deputy of not having investigated the incident because of bias.

Olson and her staff's apparent lack of concern for victims was the main theme in Suver's interview with Tides of Change Executive Director Valerie Bundy, whose advocates support survivors of gender-based and sexual crimes and work on several multidisciplinary teams with members of the DA's staff.

Bundy said that Olson and her staff had dragged their feet on updating policies for one of those groups focused on responding to sexual assault. And, as the team worked on updating the mission statement for the group, one of the DDAs took issue with including language about the group being "victim centered" and working to "hold offenders accountable."

When it came to direct interactions with victims and advocates, Bundy said that a different DDA had threatened "I'm going to push this red button" while on a call with a victim, in an apparent reference to ending the call, and said that he had "beef" with Tides of Change.

The role of two crime victims' advocates in the DA's office also significantly changed under Olson, according to Bundy, with no calls being placed to victims to notify them of hearings and those advocates no longer accompanying victims to court as they had in the past. In both instances, Bundy's staff have been forced to pick up the slack.

Bundy also told Suver, and several other interviewees corroborated, that DDAs were not meeting with victims or other witnesses in advance of trials to prepare them for their testimony.

Bundy also corroborated a story relayed by the whistleblower about a pattern of one of the DDAs yelling at one of the office's victims' advocates in group meetings to shut her up, which had convinced Bundy of the advocates' lack of sway in the office.

These concerns were echoed in several other interviews with local agency heads who also noted a lack of concern for victims.

Olson and DDAs respond

After concluding her interviews with those with concerns and analyzing the cases brought to her attention by them, Suver interviewed Olson and the three DDAs mentioned in a marathon session on January 13.

Olson, whose interview lasted more than five hours over two sessions, began by giving Suver a quick biography, saying that during a six-year stint with the Memphis Police Department, she began law school at the University of South Carolina, before eventually transferring to Lewis and Clark Law School and graduating in 2015. Eyeing a career as a federal investigator, Olson took a job with the Oregon State Police as a fish and game trooper for several years, before taking and passing the bar in 2018 after deciding she was unfulfilled in her job and uninterested in the cumbersome application process for federal employment.

Olson began work with the Tillamook County DA's office under Porter as a volunteer in 2018, before being hired in 2019, prosecuting drunk driving cases. After receiving a job offer in 2020, Olson told Porter of her plan to take it. Porter then told Olson

that he was planning to retire in 2022 and that he thought she should run to succeed him, saying that he would help prepare her for the role in the interim and back her bid.

Olson initially told Porter that he was "crazy" to suggest that she run, but she was eventually convinced, elected in an uncontested May 2022 primary election and sworn in in January 2023.

When she took over, Olson told Suver that she had tried to change the culture in the office, saying that she wanted cases to be more complete before pursuing them and that when she tried to request additional information from agencies, she often received no response.

Regarding communication with law enforcement officers, Olson said that when she worked under Porter, she had been overwhelmed by officers popping in unannounced, leading her to seek solace in the lactation or conference rooms at the courthouse or work remotely. Olson said that the situation had caused her stress and anxiety, leading her to revoke key card access to the office for non-DA employees (though it was later restored out of safety concerns), reasoning officers could call if they had time to make the drive to the courthouse. When officers complained about difficulties reaching DDAs, Olson said that she instituted an on-call system for her DDAs to address the concerns.

Focusing in on the issue of oversight, specifically as it related to remote work, Suver asked about Olson's decision to move employees to a remote work format.

Olson said that the switch had occurred during a 2023 remodel of the office and that the staff had liked it because it made them "so much more productive," leading her to decide to continue the practice. Olson said that she required attorneys to be available from 8 or 8:30 a.m. (she could not recall) until 4 p.m. and that they could appear remotely in court if judges allowed.

Returning to the question of communication with law enforcement, Olson acknowledged that there were tensions with Brown over asking for emails before calls and said that an attempt to schedule a barbecue to hash out the issues had been ignored. Olson also pushed back on the notion that she was asking law enforcement officers to make an appointment to speak with her, likening the request that they first email to a knock on the door.

"I'm not asking them to make appointments," Olson told Suver. "I'm just asking them to give me the professional courtesy of giving me advance notice unless it's urgent and almost nothing in our field is urgent." (Emphasis added by Suver in the report)

Suver then asked Olson about an incident in 2023 when Brown had requested a meeting with her in late July to discuss media inquiries into cases not being charged. Olson responded by telling Brown that she was busy with trial and could not meet until mid-September, some 50 days later.

Olson responded to Suver's question by reciting the facts of a boating incident in which a father was not charged after his 15-year-old son drowned while not wearing a life-jacket after their 12-foot aluminum boat capsized at the mouth of Nestucca Bay. Olson had decided not to pursue charges and said she interpreted the email as a request to discuss charging decisions more broadly and expected pressure to influence her decision making, leading to the prolonged lead time on a meeting. "So yeah, I was not interested in immediately talking to the sheriff about my charging deci-

sion," Olson said.

Another issue Suver uncovered during her investigation was that there was no copy of formal policies for the DA's office available online on the county's website as required by state law. When asked about this apparent oversight three years into her tenure, Olson said that it was reasonable "in light of everything I've had to do," but would not give a definitive answer about when the policies would be posted, only saying they were being developed.

Suver followed up by asking about Olson's unwritten policies, such as they were, especially as they related to decisions on whether to seek charges.

Olson said that she had stopped seeking charges based solely on probable cause because in her experience, law enforcement didn't build cases fully enough if an indictment was issued on that basis and cases often fell apart when additional evidence failed to be developed.

Given that, as well as resource constraints, Olson said that she had made the decision to approach grand juries, which can issue indictments on the basis that there is a reasonable basis to suspect a crime was committed by the accused, only in cases that could be proved beyond a reasonable doubt.

"I decided to take the approach, especially with very limited resources, that we need to limit what we're going to charge and we're going to strictly charge...we're going to be very strict as far as it needs to be beyond a reasonable doubt," Olson told Suver.

Suver pressed, asking how Olson could expect fully developed cases within 24 hours in instances where evidence required forensic analysis, referring to a deadline Olson imposed for law enforcement officers to submit reports for her to seek continued detention for suspects or release agreements. Olson said that when she was a law enforcement officer, she would stay as long as it took to get a report done and that she thought the sheriff's office had a lax approach to completing reports.

Suver described an apparently tense moment in the exchange regarding the deadline, which had also been mentioned as a point of contention by complaining parties.

"I don't have the authority to make anybody write a report, but I do have the ultimate charging decision authority," Olson said, per Suver. "DA Olson immediately followed that statement with, 'Obviously, we're not going to let our fighting affect people's safety,' while repeating 'we also need cooperation for law enforcement to actually get us what we need, which has been a huge problem for us.'"

When asked about the reduction in services offered by her office's victims' advocates, Olson said that because of time constraints and after consulting relevant statutes and discovering advocates were not required to go to court, she had advised them they only needed to go if they were able. Olson said that she had also seen Tides of Change staff accompanying victims and figured they could take the lead, though she did not discuss that decision with Bundy.

Olson said that she was also in the process of updating her office's victims' procedure guide but had not finished. Generally speaking though, Olson said that she had felt advocates had been getting too involved in cases and gathering information and complained about victims wanting to share their whole story, taking too much staff time.

As for her staff's approach to preparing victims

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for trial, Olson said that she did not have concerns about her DDAs habit of declining to meet with and prepare victims and witnesses before testifying.

In response to questions about the number of cases charged, with felonies charged having fallen from over 200 in 2020 and 137 in 2022 to just 105 in 2024, Olson defended the decline by saying that a lot of cases before would be dismissed or end in acquittal and that she has made much stronger charging decisions.

Asked about her management of DDAs, Olson acknowledged that one “marches to the beat of his own drum” and said that it had been like “pulling teeth” to ask him to do certain tasks. As for the DDA who reportedly demeaned a victims’ advocate in interagency meetings, Olson said that she was aware of the dynamic and had asked the advocate if they wanted to be taken off that DDA’s caseload, with the advocate saying no.

Olson also told Suver that she was upset that the investigation had been started without anybody bringing their concerns to her.

Suver said that Olson was unable to clarify her office’s victim notification policies in 20 minutes of questioning, at which point Suver moved on.

Questioned about a seeming lack of credence placed in victim reports, Olson said that she had seen many cases where “it sure looks like this victim is lying or has an ulterior motive and so yeah, we’re skeptical.”

And asked about her focus on law enforcement bias, Olson also defended her stance, saying, “I have had concerns for a long time now, since even before I was the district attorney about police bias, meaning that they hear a version of events and that’s the version of events that they are going to build their evidence around. Or they believe a story, and that’s the case they build their evidence around. And I have seen, there are appearances that they target certain people in this county.”

The first of Olson’s DDAs interviewed on the same day echoed that sentiment, accusing sheriff’s deputies of being poorly trained and using “highly coercive” tactics in interviews, explaining the high rate of dismissals he sought at trial and no true bills

returned by grand juries.

The second said that he felt the opposition to Olson was due to an old boys’ club mentality and told Suver that he had beef with Tides of Change. This DDA also told Suver that he did not meet with witnesses to prepare before trial because he believed that if they disclosed information to him, he could be called as a witness at trial.

The third DDA told Suver the same thing about not reviewing testimony with witnesses before trial and denied accusations of demeaning the victims’ advocate.

Cases

As part of the investigation, Suver also reviewed 11 cases from Olson’s tenure that were flagged by those complaining.

In one, a developmentally disabled victim had been refused a pretrial meeting and after advocates from Tides of Change pushed for one to help her prepare to serve as a witness, the DA’s office declined and ultimately dismissed the case.

In another, a DDA was unaware of a completed forensic exam and photo evidence that existed to corroborate a result and said that an advocate for Tides of Change should have given him that information. Olson later said that was an inappropriate response but blamed the TCSO for the DDA’s ignorance of the evidence.

Suver reviewed the recordings of several trials and wrote that she felt prosecutors were underprepared and showed a lack of empathy when questioning victims.

Suver also found several cases in which defendants received plea deals that seemed lenient given the facts of the case, including one where a case involving a crime against a child under 12 that would have triggered a 25-year required prison sentence under Jessica’s Law if a conviction was returned resulted in a plea deal where the defendant received five years’ probation.

Findings

After chronicling the steps she had taken in her investigation, Suver laid out her findings and conclusions, saying that she believed 14 complaints about Olson and her DDA’s competency were founded, as were eight about their professionalism and 13 relating to victims’ rights violations and victim complaints.

Suver began her conclu-

sions by saying that she had gone into the investigation with a wide lens and aware of the possibility of gender bias coloring the allegations, but that despite two of the DDAs suggesting that bias played a role, she had not found any evidence to support those contentions.

Suver also considered that Olson’s lack of experience upon assuming the role could have been a reason for cases not being filed or dismissed mid-trial, or for plea bargains with light punishments, though Olson repeatedly denied that was the case.

The increase in no-action decisions under Olson could be chalked up to Olson placing too much emphasis on defendants’ testimony and saying that testimony would make the case impossible to prove beyond a reasonable doubt, Suver wrote.

Olson’s failure to publish a policy manual is a “clear violation of Oregon law,” Suver wrote, while acknowledging that there was no sanction provided in statute for the failure.

As to her relationships with law enforcement, Suver wrote, “I find that in many of DA Olson’s email communications she does not request cooperation and collaboration, she demands and dictates process and procedure,” citing her attempts to compel faster report submission from TCSO as an example.

Suver wrote that she had also found Olson engaged in retaliatory behavior, pointing to Olson’s two-month delay in meeting with Brown and failure to respond to the head of another partner agency in the community about concerns over a case until she learned about the initiation of Suver’s investigation. Suver noted concerns about retaliation were particu-

larly understandable at TCSO, given Olson’s habit of accusing deputies of bias and her ability to find officers biased, prejudiced or dishonest and incapable of providing testimony in court, effectively ending their career.

Olson also showed a pattern of shifting blame to others, Suver wrote, claiming she was unaware about complaints regarding DDAs even though Bundy and another community partners had brought the demeaning behavior in interdisciplinary meetings to her attention and she acknowledged she had known about it. Suver also pointed out that Brown had tried to have conversations with Olson about charging decisions but been repeatedly rebuffed.

“Law enforcement had raised multiple complaints to the DA’s office about cases not being charged but DA Olson deflects blame, citing law enforcement’s poor investigation,” Suver wrote. “If an investigation is lacking, DA Olson has a part time DA investigator who can complete it, or DA Olson can summon witnesses to grand jury to investigate.”

Suver also said that she had found Olson to be evasive in their interview, avoiding certain topics, before notifying Suver that she would not participate in any further conversations after saying she would. As examples, Suver cited Olson’s elusiveness in response to questions about prosecution decisions, domestic violence and sex abuse charging and plea negotiation decisions, her philosophy on her role in victim advocacy and when she planned to publish a policy manual.

The failure to notify victims when no action was taken in their cases was

“not appropriate and fails to comply with best practices,” Suver found, and the decline in case filings since Olson took office was most likely due to Olson’s subjective decision to require proof beyond a reasonable doubt.

As for Olson’s management, Suver wrote that Olson’s handling of the alleged workplace misconduct by her DDA towards the victims’ advocate had been “wholly inappropriate,” placing the burden of fixing the issue on the advocate.

Some of Suver’s most pointed criticism was reserved for the two DDAs who did not prepare witnesses before trial, citing concerns about learning new information and becoming a witness in their own trials, whom she called “incompetent.”

“To prevent the introduction of relevant, factual and truthful evidence of a criminal act because information was not included in a police report is wrong,” Suver wrote.

Finally, Suver concluded the report by reviewing the list of allegations she had investigated in three categories and saying whether she had determined they were founded.

On complaints relating to competency, Suver said that she had found that viable cases were not presented to grand juries or charged, pertinent testimony from witnesses was excluded, the office failed to engage in trial preparations and communicate with investigators about needed additional evidence, and that there was a pattern of not believing victims and law enforcement, among a list of 14 total founded complaints. Suver also found that DDAs incompetence indicated inadequate training and supervision, as reinforced by

Olson’s comment that one marched to the beat of his own drum.

Eight complaints relating to professionalism were determined to be founded, Suver wrote, ranging from displaying rude and demeaning behavior towards victims to aggressive, unprofessional and unwarranted public reprimands of other staff members.

Suver also found 13 complaints founded regarding victims’ rights violations, including failures to notify victims or their guardians of hearing, failure to provide information related to charging decisions and making victims feel insignificant by refusing to speak to them or listen to information they wanted to provide, to be founded.

There were 16 concerns raised that Suver determined to be unfounded.

Next steps

Even before the investigation had concluded, Olson began to fight back, sending a letter announcing her intent to file a lawsuit alleging tortious interference relating to the investigation on February 9. On April 27, Olson filed subpoenas seeking access to employee records for the unnamed whistleblower, which the county is contesting.

A press release from the county dated May 8, said that the county looked forward to “working with the DA’s office to address the concerns identified in the report, including county employee performance and victim assistance and protection.”

Olson did not respond to a request for comment by the time of press. Check next week’s edition for a story about the court cases that have been filed.

Cork & Brew Moves to September

TILLAMOOK AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

We have some exciting news to share. To make our annual celebration even better, Cork & Brew is officially moving to September. We know change can be a big deal, but this shift is all about making the event a better experience for everyone. By moving the party to September, we are taking advantage of the very best parts of the season. Please mark your calendars for our new date, September 18th, as we toast to a fresh chapter for our favorite tradition.

We listened to your feedback and looked at the calendar to find the perfect time for an outdoor festival. Moving to September offers more reliable, warm weather, which means you can enjoy the evening without the freezing chills of earlier months. This timing also fits perfectly with the harvest season. Because of the move, we now have access to a selection of wineries and

vintages that were previously unavailable to us. This change ensures a much better atmosphere where great weather and great wine come together perfectly.

Whether you are a dedicated wine lover or a craft beer fan, this year’s lineup is designed to be a hit. You can look forward to excellent wine tastings featuring a hand-picked selection from famous local and regional wineries. We will also have high-quality craft beers from the area’s best breweries. To go along with your drinks, local chefs and food vendors will be serving gourmet snacks throughout the evening. To top it all off, our legendary live entertainment will be back, providing a high-energy soundtrack for the night.

Mark your calendars, invite your friends, and get ready to enjoy yourselves. This year’s Cork & Brew isn’t just an event; it is going to be the highlight of the season. We can’t wait to raise a glass with you on September 18.

TORTA FILM NIGHT & TRAIL OPENING



- Silent Auction
- New Raffle Kick Off
- Food and Drinks
- Kid and Family Friendly

TORTA MTB is proud to release a new adaptive mountain bike (aMTB) film, followed by a discussion panel on the benefits of adaptive access and inclusive trail systems.

We’ll also be premiering:

- Christian Rigal’s edit showcasing our new trail Mossy Hogs (Opening the 7th)
- Announcements and celebration of multiple new trail openings, including:

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Local airports to receive \$3.1M in federal investment

STAFF REPORT

U.S. Senators Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley as well as U.S. Reps. Suzanne Bonamici, Andrea Salinas, Val Hoyle, Janelle Bynum and Maxine Dexter have announced that 10 Oregon airports, including Tillamook, will receive a combined federal investment of more than \$3.1 million to improve their infrastructure.

"Small airports throughout our state need and deserve federal investments so Oregonians can count on them for small business support, emergency response, secure travel and more," Wyden said. "These federal resources advance those key objectives statewide, and I'll keep battling for similar infrastructure investments to make all airports in Oregon better and safer."

"Investing in critical airport improvements such as taxiways, helipads, hangars, and more increases safety and strengthens infrastructure across our state," said Merkley. "Our regional airports are vital hubs for Oregonians, supporting local businesses and providing essential lifelines during natural disasters. I'll keep fighting to secure critical federal funds to improve the efficiency and reliability of Oregon's airports, benefiting the folks who rely on them for business, travel, and so much more."

"Regional airports are critical to keeping Oregon connected," said Rep. Bonamici. "In rural com-

munities like Tillamook, investments in transportation infrastructure give small businesses access to markets and make communities more resilient in the event of a disaster. I'm grateful that this funding will support work at the Port of Tillamook Bay."

"Small airports are vital for rural Oregonians," said Rep. Salinas. "They support local businesses and enable emergency responses when our communities need them most. This \$1 million investment in McMinnville Municipal Airport will replace aging infrastructure and improve safety for everyone who uses it. I'm proud to help deliver these federal dollars to the airports that keep Oregon connected, and I'll keep pushing to make sure rural communities keep getting the federal investment they deserve."

"These infrastructure investments across our regional airports in Corvallis, Florence, Gold Beach and Newport are a win for the economic growth of our rural and coastal communities," said Rep. Hoyle. "We rely on these federal dollars to build up our airports' resilience in the face of worsening wildfire seasons."

"Making it easier to get where you need to go keeps our economy strong and makes everyday life more convenient," said Rep. Bynum. "Regional airports connect our communities, small businesses, and ensure Oregonians don't have to drive hours just to access reliable transportation. I am

proud to work with my colleagues to secure this critical funding for Oregon."

"Investments in small airports are invaluable and will pay dividends for Oregonians in the years to come," said Rep. Dexter. "This funding will support critical improvements to the Troutdale Airport, a key hub for the Port of Portland and our regional economy. I will keep working to bring federal dollars into high-value projects in our community."

The awards totaling \$3.14 million from the federal Department of Transportation for the Oregon airports are as follows:

\$1 million to the city of McMinnville for McMinnville Municipal Airport to acquire and install a new wind cone to help pilots; to build 12,500 feet of perimeter fencing and 10 gates.

\$417,996 to the city of Burns for Burns Municipal Airport to build a new 1,600-square-foot snow removal equipment building.

\$400,338 to the city of Florence for the Florence Municipal Airport to acquire and install a new wind cone and segmented circle navigational aid for pilots.

\$289,000 to the Port of Portland for Troutdale Airport to reseal 13,000 feet of existing taxiways and joints.

\$274,708 to the city of Ontario for Ontario Municipal Airport to build a new helipad.

\$245,950 to the city of Corvallis for Corvallis Municipal Airport to build a new 1,300-foot north taxi lane to provide airfield access to a non-exclusive

hangar development area. \$160,332 to Morrow County for the Lexington Airport to replace the precision approach path indicator for a runway; to replace and relocate the existing precision approach path indicator for another runway.

\$137,000 to the city of Newport for the Newport Airport to build a new 5,250-square-foot non-exclusive use hangar for aircraft storage.

\$137,000 to the Port of Tillamook Bay for the Tillamook Airport to build a new fuel farm by adding two fuel tanks and two self-service pumps and associated apron pavement for a new fuel type.

\$78,063 to the Port of Gold Beach for Gold Beach Municipal Airport to reseal 3,200 feet of runway pavement; to reseal 3,200 feet of taxiway pavement.

"The City of McMinnville greatly appreciates the continued federal financial support of safety and security improvements at the McMinnville Municipal Airport," said airport manager John Paskell. "This important project provides for a significant security upgrade by adding nearly three miles of perimeter security fencing and adds an additional level of safety for pilots by installing a supplement wind cone on the Runway 4 end of the airport's primary runway. As a developing regional general aviation airport, and as a significant economic asset and job creator in the community, continued federal infrastructure invest-

ment in airports is critical in ensuring their viability well into the future, particularly for airports in smaller communities like McMinnville. Those airport improvement dollars go a long way and help protect and preserve the airport's financial self-sufficiency while also improving the facility."

"This federal investment is crucial as it ensures our airport infrastructure remains fully functional year-round, which is vital for emergency response and general aviation access in Eastern Oregon," said Burns City Manager Brenda Engebretson.

"The City of Florence is excited to receive this FAA funding to support the Beacon & Wind Cone Replacement Project at the Florence Municipal Airport," the city said in a statement. "This project will help to improve essential airport safety infrastructure, as well as support safe and reliable aviation facilities that serve local and regional users. The Florence Municipal Airport is an economic driver for our area that provides a valuable space for commerce, emergency response, and recreational uses. The City of Florence is grateful for the continued support of this regional asset."

"Ensuring safe and efficient operations is the Port's top priority, and this federal investment will help to maintain taxiways at Troutdale Airport," said Curtis

Robinhold, Executive Director of the Port of Portland. "We are grateful for the Oregon delegation's continued support for our projects to meet the diverse transportation needs of our region."

"The recent FAA award for the Lexington Airport to upgrade our precision approach path indicators (PAPIs), is a major win for a small regional airport like ours," said Morrow County Commissioner Gus Peterson. "This system will allow us to continue to serve our users with improved safety and efficiency as well as allow us to be able to potentially expand in the future. Morrow County is grateful for the opportunity to continue to improve our small but important regional airport."

"Securing funding for a new hangar is significant investment in the future of Newport Municipal Airport," said Lance Vanderbeck, Newport Municipal Airport Director. "This project will enhance our ability to serve pilots, aircrafts, and improve overall efficiency and safety. Through this funding, we're better positioned to meet demand and ensure the airport remains a reliable asset for our community."

"As Mayor of Gold Beach, I know the port is critical for emergency services and is an economic development engine," said Gold Beach Mayor Tamie Kaufman. "This work helps make sure the port can continue being an asset to our community."

Dust Off Your Passports

TILLAMOOK AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

We've been keeping a secret, and it's finally time to share. The Tillamook Chamber of Commerce is pulling back the curtain on our next group adventure. (Drum roll, please...) We're heading to the heart of South America for an immersive journey through Santiago, Patagonia and Buenos Aires.

Did you just gasp? Because we certainly did. This isn't just a vacation; it's a masterfully curated expedition. From the sophisticated pulse of urban culture to the rugged, untouched beauty of the wild, we've bridged the gap to bring you the ultimate bucket-list experience.

The Journey Highlights

The adventure begins

with the electric energy of Chile's capital, where you'll take in the "buzz" of Santiago from the stunning heights of Cerro San Cristóbal. From there, we move south toward the end of the world. You'll find moments of quiet reflection while walking the peaceful, historic paths of the cemetery of Punta Arenas before heading into the heart of the wilderness.

Patagonia is the undisputed star of the show, and you will experience it from every angle. Imagine gazing up at the legendary sawtooth ridges of the Torres del Paine or feeling the cool air as you cruise alongside the towering, icy-blue walls of the Perito Moreno Glacier. To truly connect with the local heritage, you'll join us for a proper parrilla feast at a traditional Patagonian estancia, savoring the authentic flavors of the region.

As we transition into Argentina, the adventure shifts from the craggy peaks of Los Glaciares National Park to the vibrant, colorful streets of Buenos Aires. Here, you can dig into a warm empanada in the famous La Boca neighborhood, soaking in the tango and character that define the city.

Why Travel with the Chamber?

Go ahead and take a second to process that—we're still pinching ourselves. This trip is the perfect mix of high-end city vibes and "is-this-even-real" natural landscapes.

Our group travel program is designed to take the stress out of international logistics, allowing you to focus entirely on the moments that matter. Whether you are a seasoned

globetrotter or preparing for the very first stamp in your passport, these guided experiences provide a seamless balance of discovery and camaraderie. There is something uniquely special about exploring the world with a community of fellow adventurers; by the time you return home, those who started as acquaintances often become lifelong friends.

Limited Spots Available

Fair warning, these spots are limited and will go fast. If you've been waiting for the right moment to see South America, this is it. For a deep dive into the full itinerary and all the exciting details, check the chamber's website. You can also reach out to our Executive Director, Justin Aufdermauer, at Justin@tillamookchamber.org with any questions.

State's unemployment rate holding steady

STAFF REPORT

Oregon's unemployment rate was 5.2% in both March and February.

In March, Oregon's seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment declined by 4,800 jobs, following a loss of 6,900 jobs, as revised, in February.

GAINS AND LOSSES

March's gains were largest

in retail trade (+900 jobs). Losses were largest in professional and business services (-2,400 jobs) and government (-800).

Retail trade rebounded somewhat from weak performance last year. It added 800 jobs in February and 900 jobs in March. However, it was still 1,900 jobs, or 0.9%, below its March 2025 level.

Since March 2025, motor vehicle and parts dealers cut the most jobs of the published retail component industries. It

employed 24,500 in March, which was a drop of 1,100 jobs over the past 12 months.

Government employment has declined over the past six months. Peaking at an all-time high of 318,700 jobs in September, it is now down to 313,200 by March. This was a loss of 5,500 jobs.

Federal government continued to drop jobs. At 26,700 jobs in March, it is down 3,000 jobs from its recent high point of 29,700 jobs in October 2024. Local government,

which employed 237,200 in March, has been trending downward over the past several months and is down 1,000 jobs, or 0.4%, in the past 12 months.

Professional and business services continued a three-year downtrend, cutting 2,400 jobs in March after a loss of 1,800 jobs in February. In the most recent 12 months, it cut 10,600 jobs, or 4.1%.

The U.S. unemployment rate was 4.3% in March and 4.4% in February.

June Dairy Parade & Festival Tillamook County Rodeo 2026

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HH26-140 NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE On, 05-22-2026 at 10:00 AM at the Tillamook County Sheriff's Office, 5995 Long Prairie Road, in the City of Tillamook, Oregon, the defendant's interest will be sold, subject to redemption, in the residential real property commonly known as 13150 D Street, Unit 16, Nehalem, Tillamook County, Oregon 97131-9576. Court case 24CV49034, NATHANIAL SCOTT, an individual and MELISSA MATTSON, an individual, is Plaintiff vs. SCOTT CALLAHAN, an individual defendant. The sale is a public auction to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check, in hand, made out to Tillamook County Sheriff's Office. For legal description and more information on this sale go to: www.oregonsheriffssales.org 4/21/26 4/28/26 5/5/26 5/12/26

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CITIZEN OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS SOUGHT

Nominations are being sought for the 2026 Manzanita Citizen of the Year honor. The deadline for submissions to be received at Manzanita City Hall is 5 p.m. Wednesday, May 20th.

Each year the city honors people who have made a major contribution to Manzanita as a community leader, business leader, volunteer, educator, or creative artist.

Nominations must be in writing and submitted by email to cityhall@ci.manzanita.or.us, or by mail to Manzanita Citizen of the Year Committee, c/o City Hall, PO Box 129 Manzanita, OR 97130.

To qualify for the honor, the nominee must be a resident of Manzanita, live within the Manzanita Urban Growth Boundary, or operate a business or enterprise in Manzanita. The Citizen of the Year may be an individual or couple who performs any volunteer community service that benefits our citizens. Currently serving elected officials and City employees are not eligible.

A committee of former Citizens of the Year will meet in late May to consider the nominations and select the individual or couple to be honored this year. The selectee/s will be announced at the June 3rd City Council meeting.

The Citizen or Citizens of the Year will serve as Grand Marshal of the Manzanita Fourth of July Parade.



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POST and ORPAT testing for the Deputy positions will be offered at the Tillamook County Fairgrounds, May 15th from 8:45 am - 1:30 pm.

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HH26-141 NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE On, 05-22-2026 at 1:00 PM at the Tillamook County Sheriff's Office, 5995 Long Prairie Road, in the City of Tillamook, Oregon. The defendant's interest will be sold, subject to redemption, in the residential real property commonly known as 344 Hemlock Rd, Wheeler, OR 97147. In court case 25CV56721, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, is Plaintiff vs. TOM R CHAMBERS; GRACE CHAMBERS, PERSONALLY AND AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF TOM R CHAMBERS AKA TOM REID CHAMBERS AKA TOMMY CHAMBERS, LUCIA CHAMBERS, OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY, is defendant. The sale is a public auction to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check, in hand, made out to Tillamook County Sheriff's Office. For legal description and more information on this sale go to: www.oregonsheriffssales.org

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HH26-157 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE TS No.: 189354 APN: 135614 Reference is made to that certain deed made by Heidi A. Owskey as Grantor to First American Title Insurance Company, as Trustee, in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as designated nominee for MortgagePros LLC, DBA MortgagePros of Michigan, LLC as Beneficiary, dated 04/25/2025, recorded 05/06/2025, in the official records of Tillamook County, Oregon as Instrument No. 2025-01757 in Book xx, Page xx covering the following described real property situated in said County and State, to wit: See attached exhibit A EXHIBIT "A" LEGAL DESCRIPTION All that part of the following described property lying North and West of the Wilson River Highway, in Section 13, Township 1 South, Range 9 West of the Willamette Meridian, in Tillamook County, Oregon, as follows: Beginning at a point on the East line of Government Lot 4, Section 13, Township 1 South, Range 9 West of the Willamette Meridian, in Tillamook County, Oregon, which point is 952 feet North of the Southeast corner of said Government Lot 4; thence West and parallel with the North line of said Lot 4 to the West line thereof; thence North along the West line of said Lot 4 to the Northwest corner thereof; thence East along the North line of said Lot 4, to the Northeast corner thereof; thence South along the East line of said Lot 4 to the point of beginning. EXCEPTING THEREFROM: Beginning at a point on the Westerly right of way line of State Highway #6, said point being on the South boundary of said Government Lot 3, said point also being North 83°29'29" West 133.56 feet from the Southeast corner of said Government Lot 3; thence South 25°21'05" West, along the West line of said Highway 110 feet; thence North 83°29'29" West 125 feet to a point South 33°00'25" West of the Southwest corner of that tract conveyed to Harvey H. Anderson, et ux, by Deed recorded November 14, 1969, in Book 217, page 672, Tillamook County Records; thence North 33°00'25"

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West to the Southwest corner of said Anderson tract; thence South 83°29'29" East 105.29 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly known as: 13960 Wilson River Hwy, Tillamook, OR 97141 The current beneficiary is Equity Prime Mortgage LLC pursuant to assignment of deed of trust recorded on 12/26/2025 as Inst No. 2025-05661 in the records of Tillamook, Oregon. The beneficiary has elected and directed successor trustee to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said trust deed and notice has been recorded pursuant to Section 86.752(3) of Oregon Revised Statutes: the default for which the foreclosure is made is the grantor's failure to: Make the monthly payments commencing with the payment due on 08/01/2025 and continuing each month until this trust deed is reinstated or goes to trustee's sale; plus a late charge on each installment not paid within fifteen days following the payment due date; trustee's fees and other costs and expenses associated with this foreclosure and any further breach of any term or condition contained in subject note and deed of trust. 1. By the reason of said default the beneficiary has declared all obligations secured by said deed of trust immediately due and payable, said sums being the following, to wit: Principal balance in the amount of: \$142,112.07; 2. Interest through 03/31/2026 in the amount of: \$7,316.47 3. MIP/PMI Advances in the amount of: \$0.00 4. Recoverable balance in the amount of: \$0.00 5. Late Charges in the amount of: \$37.43 6. Escrow Advances in the amount of: \$0.00 7. Together with the interest thereon at the rate 6.8750000% per annum until paid; plus all accrued late charges thereon; and all trustee's fees, foreclosure costs and any sums advanced by the beneficiary pursuant to the terms of said deed of trust. The principal sum of \$142,112.07 together with the interest thereon at the rate 6.8750000% per annum from 07/01/2025 until paid; plus all accrued late charges thereon; and all trustee's fees, foreclosure costs and any sums advanced by the beneficiary pursuant to the terms of said deed of trust. Whereof, notice hereby is given that the undersigned trustee will on 08/07/2026 at the hour of 1:00 PM, Standard of Time, as established by Section 187.110, Oregon Revised Statutes, at the Courthouse, At the southern front entrance to the Tillamook County Courthouse, 201 Laurel Ave, Tillamook OR 97141, 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 had or had power to convey at the time of the execution by him of the 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 that any person named in Section 86.778 of Oregon Re-

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vised Statutes; has the right to have the foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the trust deed reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of said principal as would not then be due had no default occurred), together with the costs, trustee's and attorney's fees and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the obligation or trust deed, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for the sale. In construing this, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the successor in interest to the grantor as well as any other person owing obligation, the performance of which is secured by said trust deed; the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Pursuant to Oregon Law, this sale will not be deemed final until the Trustee's deed has been issued by Prime Recon LLC. If any irregularities are discovered within 10 days of the date of this sale, the trustee will rescind the sale, return the buyer's money and take further action as necessary. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. 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 there is a default. This shall serve as notice that the beneficiary shall be conducting property inspections on the 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. Dated: 3/31/2026 Prime Recon LLC By: Carmen Robinson, Authorized Signer Prime Recon LLC 27368 Via Industria, Ste 201 Temecula, CA 92590 Phone number for the Trustee: (888) 725-4142 NPP0487299 To: HEADLIGHT HERALD

04/28/2026, 05/05/2026,
05/12/2026, 05/19/2026

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HH26-173 PURSUANT TO ORS CHAPTER 819 Notice is hereby given that the following vehicle will be sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 5/18/2026. The sale will be held at 10:00am by MENEFFEE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR & 31665 HWY 101 S CLOVERDALE, OR. 2024 HYUN ELN SD VIN = KMHLM4DG-7RU821694 Amount due on lien \$6088.56. Reputed owner(s) > EAN HOLDINGS LLC

5/5/26 5/12/26

HH26-174 PURSUANT TO ORS CHAPTER 819 Notice is hereby given that the following vehicle will be sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 5/19/2026. The sale will be held at 10:00am by MENEFFEE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR & 31665 HWY 101 S CLOVERDALE, OR. 2012 CHEV IMP 41) VIN = 2G1WG5E39C1209664 Amount due on lien \$5778.00. Reputed owner(s) > THOMAS E. & BOBBIE G. CLARK J AND G AUTO INC DA1436

5/5/26 5/12/26

HH26-175 PURSUANT TO ORS CHAPTER 819 Notice is hereby given that the following vehicle will be sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 5/19/2026. The sale will be held at 10:00am by MENEFFEE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR & 31665 HWY 101 S CLOVERDALE, OR. 2015 DODG CYN VN VIN = 2C4RDGCG-3FR745837 Amount due on lien \$6184.80. Reputed owner(s) > BAHTIYAR & MADINA KOBEN-OVA

5/5/26 5/12/26

HH26-185 Tillamook County Transportation District PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE: The Tillamook County Transportation District Board of Directors Monthly Board Meeting Wednesday, May 20, 2026 @ 6:00pm. 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-transportation-district/>. To attend by phone, please dial: +1 (253) 215-8782 and use Meeting ID: 880 8898 5392. Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88088985392> Agenda items will include a State of the District Report with information regarding District finances and grants, service performance, the Northwest Oregon Transit Alliance, the NW Rides NEMT Brokerage, and General Manager activities. The agenda also includes Consent, Action, and Discussion Items with Staff and

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Board of Director comments. An Executive Session will be added as needed.

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HH26-186 PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETINGS A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the City of Tillamook, Tillamook County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027, will be held at Tillamook City Hall, 210 Laurel Avenue, Tillamook Oregon. The meeting will take place on May 26, 2026 at 6:00 P.M., and May 27, 2026 at 6:00 P.M. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget. This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take

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place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after May 14, 2026 at Tillamook City Hall, 210 Laurel Avenue, Tillamook Oregon, between the hours of 7:30 A.M. and 5:30 P.M. or online at www.tillamookor.gov. This notice is published on the City of Tillamook website www.tillamookor.gov NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON POSSIBLE USES OF STATE REVENUE SHARING BY THE CITY OF TILLAMOOK DURING THE 2026/2027 BUDGET YEAR Notice is hereby given that the Budget Committee for the City of The Tillamook, Oregon, will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, May 26, 2026 in conjunction with the City Budget Committee meeting, beginning at 6:00 PM, at Tillamook City Hall, 210 Laurel



Seeking Applicants:

Residential Direct Support Professional

Full Time | Varied Shifts
\$16.95 - \$19.95

Full job description available on request.

Must have:

- Ability to prepare meals, administer medications, and assist with daily living skills.
- The ability to work without direct supervision, work in a fast paced environment, be flexible with scheduling, and support individuals in the home & community.
- A valid drivers license and be able to pass Drug Screen and Background Check.

Competitive Benefits Package:
Paid Vac/Sick/Holiday Leave
Generous 401K Plan
Paid Health, Dental, Vision, Hearing Ins.
Employee Assistance and Wellness Program

1800 Front Street, Tillamook, OR 97141

Contact: Barbara Armstrong 503-842-2356 ext 1100 for more information OR
Apply On-Line at www.mariemillscenter.com

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Seeking Applicants:

Vocational Direct Support Professional

\$16.95 - \$18.95 | Full/Part Time | Varied Shifts

Full job description available on request.

Must have:

- The ability to work without direct supervision, work in a fast paced environment, be flexible with scheduling, and support individuals in the community.
- A valid drivers license and be able to pass Drug Screen and Background Check.

Janitorial Lawn Care/Crew Supervisor

\$16.95 - \$18.95 | Full/Part Time | Varied Shifts

Full job description available on request.

Must have:

- A working knowledge (or rapidly develop) of janitorial services and equipment procedures
- Lawn care experience and equipment knowledge
- A valid drivers license and be able to pass Drug Screen and Criminal History Check.

Competitive Benefits Package:
Paid Vac/Sick/Holiday Leave
Generous 401K Plan
Paid Health, Dental, Vision, Hearing Ins.
Employee Assistance and Wellness Program

1800 Front Street, Tillamook, OR 97141

Contact: Holly Rico 503-842-2539, ext. 2200 for more information OR
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OPEN POSITIONS

Fall 2026 Teaching Position
K8 Life Skills Special Education
K8 Physical Education (one year contract)
-\$50,051 - \$91,747 DOE -Generous benefits
-190 day contract -Starts 8/31/2026

Substitute Transportation Drivers
-\$20.21 per hour -Training available
-Flexible schedule - Bus or Van

Fall 2026 Stipend Position
Middle School Athletic Director - \$3,935 stipend
Middle School Football Coach - \$2,360 stipend

Use the QR code to apply or visit:
www.nestucca.k12.or.us/do/hr/index.php

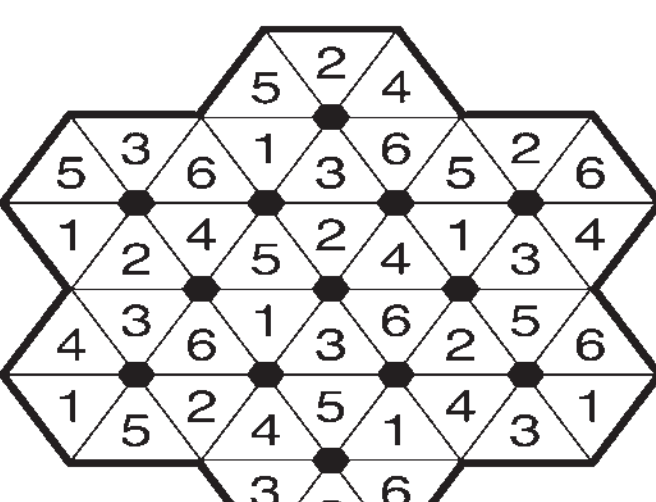
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SNOWFLAKES

solution



Super Crossword

Answers

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Avenue, Tillamook, Oregon, to hear any proposals for possible uses of State Revenue Sharing funds. This Hearing is provided to hear any proposals from public or non-profit organizations. Any interested person representing the above-described programs or organizations may appear at the above time and place and make their proposal known to the Budget Committee. This notice also appears on the City of Tillamook website at www.tillamookor.gov.

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HH26-187 NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING Tillamook Urban Renewal Agency A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Tillamook Urban Renewal Agency, State of Oregon, Tillamook County, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027, will be held at Tillamook City Hall, 210 Laurel Avenue, Tillamook, OR 97141. The meeting will take place on May 26, 2026 at 5:30 PM. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget. This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after May 14, 2026 at Tillamook City Hall, 210 Laurel Avenue, Tillamook OR 97141, between the hours of 7:30 AM and 5:30 PM or at web address www.tillamookor.gov.

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HH26-189 The~ Oceanside Water District (OWD) Board of Commissioners will be holding their~ regular monthly meeting~ on~ Tuesday,~ May~ 19, 2026,~ at~ 1:00pm.~ The meeting will~ be held at~ the~ Barbara Bennett~ Community~ Center,~ 5690 4th NW~ in Cape Meares.~ General District business including New Business, On-going~ 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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HH26-190 Notice of Budget Committee Meeting A public meeting of the Budget Committee of Nedonna Rural Fire Protection District, Tillamook County, Oregon will be held to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027. It will be held on Tuesday May 26 at 4pm, at 26185 David Avenue Rockaway Beach. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget

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message and to receive comment from the public. This is a public meeting where deliberation of the budget committee will take place. Any person may appear and discuss the proposed budget with the budget committee. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained by emailing a request to nedonnarfpd@gmail.com by May 21, 2026.

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HH26-191 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Susan W. Lehmann has been appointed Administrator of the Estate of Richard S.D. First, Tillamook County Circuit Court Case No. 26PB04025. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to Susan W. Lehmann, Administrator at Hurley Re Law Group LLC, attn: Joshua M. Hood, 404 SW Columbia Street, Suite 200, Bend, OR 97702, 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 Administrator, or the lawyers for the Administrator, Joshua M. Hood, Hurley Re Law Group LLC, 404 SW Columbia Street, Suite 200, Bend, OR 97702. Dated and published on May 12, 2026.

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HH26-192 "The Netarts-Oceanside Sanitary District (NOSD) FY 2026-27 Budget Committee and Board of Directors will hold their 2nd Budget Meeting, followed by the Regular monthly meeting on Thursday, May 21, 2026, at 5:00 P.M. in person and via Remote Microsoft Teams. See the website below. The purpose of the 2nd Budget Meeting is to review and approve the proposed budget for FY 2026-27. The Regular Meeting following is to discuss General District business including New Business; Old Business; etc., and any other matters that may come before the Board will be discussed. The District reserves

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the right, if necessary, to call an Executive Session. All Meeting, except Executive Sessions, are open to the public and accessible to people with disabilities. 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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HH26-193 TILLAMOOK COUNTY CALL FOR BIDS – PREVAILING WAGE RATE CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION SHILO LEVEE/WILSON RIVER TRAINING STRUCTURE SECTION 00010 CALL FOR BIDS This project consists of reconstructing approximately 1,200 linear feet along the Wilson River, Tillamook, Oregon, including 16,600 cubic yards of Class 200 Riprap. The engineer's estimate is between Zero Dollars (\$0) and Three Million One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,100,000). Work is to be completed by October 31, 2026 Specifications and bid forms may be viewed at, at Tillamook County Public Works, Attention: Nicole Baldwin, 503 Marolf Loop, Tillamook, Oregon, 97141, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday, local time. The specifications and bid forms may be obtained electronically, at no charge, by e-mailing nicole.baldwin@tillamookcounty.gov, or may be purchased at a pre-paid cost of fifty dollars (\$50), payable only by check or money order to Tillamook County Public Works. (Allow two (2) workdays for reproduction of plans prior to them being mailed out to requesting contractors.) Each prospective contractor must provide full company name, address, contact name, phone and e-mail address at the time of request. Bidders will not be required to be pre-qualified under ORS 279B.120. This contract is for a project that is subject to ORS 279C.800 to 279C.870 (Prevailing Wage Law). Sealed bids shall be submitted to: Tillamook County Public Works

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Office, Attention: Nicole Baldwin, 503 Marolf Loop, Tillamook, Oregon 97141. Sealed bids shall be marked "SHILO LEVEE/WILSON RIVER TRAINING STRUCTURE" and be submitted no later than 2:00 p.m. on Thursday June 4, 2026. Bids received after this time shall be returned unopened. Bids may be withdrawn at any time, prior to opening, upon written request of the bidder. NO BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED BY WAY OF FAX OR ELECTRONIC DATA INTERCHANGE. All bids will be opened and read aloud in the Tillamook County Public Works' Office located at 503 Marolf Loop, Tillamook, Oregon 97141 at 2:05 p.m. on Thursday, June 4, 2026.

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HH26-194 NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Neskowin Regional Water District, Tillamook County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027, will be held at the District's office, 5880 S. Fairway Rd in Neskowin, and Via Google Meet at <https://meet.google.com/irt-pqjg-tib> The meeting will occur on May 28th, 2026, at 3:00 PM. The purpose of the meeting is to present the District's budget message and receive public comments on the

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budget. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after May 1st, 2026, by visiting the District's website at www.neskowinwater.com or by calling the District's office at 503-392-3966. This is a public meeting where the Budget Committee will deliberate. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed budget with the Budget Committee. This notice and the budget will be posted on our website. 5/12/26

HH26-195 Notice of Budget Committee Meeting A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Neskowin Regional Sanitary Authority, Tillamook County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027, will be held at the NRSA office located at 34460 Hwy 101 South Cloverdale, Oregon & via MS Teams meetings: <https://teams.microsoft.com/join/227635695073?p=Y23xE77rWp5xMmEp40MeetingID:2276356950073> Passcode: Gx3zF2FZ The meeting will take place on the 21st day of May 2026, at 9:00 a.m. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the proposed budget, hear the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after May 18th ,

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2026, by calling the NRSA office at (503)392-3404. Notice of the meeting is also published on the NRSA website: www.neskowin-sanitary.com.

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HH26-197 NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING A public meeting of the Budget Committee sitting for and on behalf of the Pacific City Joint Water-Sanitary Authority, Tillamook County, Oregon, will be held on Tuesday May 19, 2026 at Kiawanda Community Center, at 5:00 PM. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and documents of the Authority. The budget documents will be available beginning Friday May 8, 2026, via mail or email. This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may attend the meeting and discuss the proposed budget with the Budget Committee. Please notify Rachele DeLoo at (503) 965-6636 of any physical or language accommodations that you may need, as far in advance of the meeting date as possible. This notice is also available at the Authority's website: www.pcjwsa.com. John Wesely, PCJWSA Budget Officer

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A	Use this notice if public comment will be taken at this meeting.	HH26-196
NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING		
A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Port of Nehalem, State of Oregon,		Tillamook (County)
(District Name)		
to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027, will be held at North County Recreation District - NCRD		
(Address)		(Location)
NCRD, North County Recreations District, 36155 9th Street, Nehalem, OR 97131		May 27, 2026 05:30pm (Time)
The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget.		
This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee.		
A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after		14-May-26 (Date) (Location)
		<input type="checkbox"/> am <input type="checkbox"/> pm
Port of Nehalem Office, 36060 Sixth St., Nehalem, OR 97131		Monday, Wed 9:00 AM (Time) <input type="checkbox"/> pm 01:00 pm (Time) <input type="checkbox"/> pm
150-504-063 (Rev 11-19-21)		

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING		FORM LB-1	HH26-188 FY 2026-2027
A public meeting of the TWIN ROCKS SANITARY DISTRICT will be held on May 14, 2026 at 9:00 AM at TWIN ROCKS SD Admin. Building, 18005 HWY 101 N, Rockaway Beach, OR . The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the budget and rates/fees for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 , as approved by the TWIN ROCKS SANITARY DISTRICT's Budget Committee . A summary of the budget is presented below. A copy of the budget and resolutions may be inspected or obtained at: 18005 HWY 101 N, Rockaway Beach, OR between the hours of 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM, after May 1, 2026 . This budget is for an 2026-2027 annual budget period. This budget was prepared on a basis of accounting that is the same as used the preceding year.			
Contact: Jennifer McHugh		Telephone: (503) 355-2732 Email: office@twinrocks.us	
FINANCIAL SUMMARY - RESOURCES			
TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS		Actual Amount Last Year 2024-25	Adopted Budget This Year 2025-26
		2024-25	2025-26
Beginning Fund Balance/Net Working Capital	\$	1,022,365.51	\$ 1,052,432.97
Fees, Licenses, Permits, Fines, Assessments & Other Service Charges	\$	598,112.97	\$ 649,900.00
Federal, State and All Other Grants, Gifts, Allocations and Donations	\$	-	\$ -
Revenue from Bonds and Other Debt	\$	-	\$ -
Interfund Transfers / Internal Service Reimbursements	\$	153,244.42	\$ 153,245.00
All Other Resources Except Property Taxes	\$	51,173.22	\$ 31,282.00
Property Taxes Estimated to be Received	\$	-	\$ -
Total Resources	\$	1,824,896.12	\$ 1,886,859.97
FINANCIAL SUMMARY - REQUIREMENTS BY OBJECT CLASSIFICATION			
Personnel Services	\$	248,507.00	\$ 373,245.00
Materials and Services	\$	207,386.00	\$ 294,485.00
Capital Outlay	\$	42,237.00	\$ 510,000.00
Debt Service	\$	153,244.34	\$ 153,250.00
Interfund Transfers	\$	153,244.42	\$ 153,245.00
Contingencies	\$	-	\$ 67,867.17
Special Payments	\$	-	\$ 64,773.83
Unappropriated Ending Balance and Reserved for Future Expenditure	\$	1,117,614.36	\$ 269,993.97
Total Requirements	\$	1,922,234.12	\$ 1,886,859.97
FINANCIAL SUMMARY - REQUIREMENTS BY ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT OR PROGRAM *			
Name of Organizational Unit or Program	FTE for that unit or program		
TWIN ROCKS SANITARY DISTRICT	\$	248,507.00	\$ 373,245.00
FTE		2.50	2.00
Non-Departmental / Non-Program		0.00	0.00
FTE		0.00	0.00
Total Requirements	\$	804,619.76	\$ 1,616,866.00
Total FTE		2.50	2.00
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ACTIVITIES AND SOURCES OF FINANCING *			
No significant changes in operational costs or performance from 2025-2026 to 2026-2027.			
STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS			
LONG TERM DEBT	Estimated Debt Outstanding on July 1, 2026	Estimated Debt Authorized, But Not Incurred on July 1, 2025	
General Obligation Bonds	0.00	0.00	
Other Bonds (USDA-RD)	\$ 1,139,107.06	0.00	
Other Bonds (IFA)	\$ 47,628.44	0.00	
Other Borrowings	0.00	0.00	
Total	\$ 1,186,735.50	0.00	

CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals Q, it will equal Q throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: C equals R

PT BI NCDYF CSAPKS P CSZMRS

FD MRS FYLF YSCN ZCDB L

JLMCSJ FCSS, ADTFCLCI FD

KDKMJLC NLI JSLZ.

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Form OR-LB-NBC	Notice of Budget Committee Meeting Oregon Department of Revenue	HH26-184
A	Use this notice if public comment will be taken at this meeting.	
A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the <u>North County Recreation Dist.</u> , <u>Tillamook</u> , State of Oregon, to		
(District name)		(County)
discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 20 <u>26</u> to June 30, 20 <u>27</u> , will be held at <u>North County Recreation District</u>		
(Address)		(Location)
<u>36155 9th St., Nehalem, OR 97131</u>		<input type="checkbox"/> a.m. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> p.m.
The meeting will take place on <u>Thursday, May 28, 2026</u> at <u>6:00</u>		(Date) (Time)
The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget.		
This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee.		
A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after <u>Friday, May 15, 2026</u> at <u>36155 9th Street, Nehalem</u> ,		(Date) (Location)
between the hours of <u>9:00</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a.m. and <u>5:00</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> p.m.		<input type="checkbox"/> a.m. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> p.m.
150-504-063 (Rev. 11-19-21)		

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Unlisted clue hint: **Oldest University in England**

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Bourbon brand
 - 8 Belly area
 - 15 Girlfriend, in Genoa
 - 20 Pertaining to the womb
 - 21 Spiced Starbucks selection
 - 22 Autos for test-driving
 - 23 Food, clothes or money [actress Danes]
 - 25 Greek market of old
 - 26 DC-10, e.g.
 - 27 Lariat feature
 - 28 Rushes about wildly
 - 30 Marketed
 - 31 Grain tower
 - 32 Like a skimpy swimsuit [actor Perry]
 - 35 Church area
 - 37 Powders mixed into liquids, e.g.
 - 38 Research ctr.
 - 39 Shoes worn with tutus [designer McCartney]
 - 44 Tenth mo.
 - 46 Perjurer's confession
 - 47 Fork prong
 - 48 Pop singer Rita
 - 49 Mai — (drink)
 - 52 Young morays, say
 - 54 Huge Asian mammal [justice Kagan]
 - 60 Tijuana-to-Vegas dir.
 - 61 Add- (extras)
 - 63 Olive — (military uniforms)
 - 65 — Jimna
 - 67 Having suppl. arms and legs [jazzman Davis]
 - 72 Nuptial vow
 - 73 Moving spryly
 - 75 Smoothly polite
 - 76 Neighbor of TV's Homer
 - 78 Surg. sites
 - 80 Roomy place to house vehicles [actress Jones]
 - 85 Vacation spot
 - 87 Swallowed
 - 88 Little fellow
 - 89 Performs like ice Cube
 - 91 Initial venture
 - 92 1040 info
 - 93 Small, springy apparatus [director Scorsese]
 - 98 Zenith
 - 101 Almsgiving
 - 103 Othello's false friend
 - 104 Antipollution law [singer Grande]
 - 106 — All-Del
 - 108 Major- (butler)
 - 112 Gives one's approval
 - 113 Persia, today
 - 114 Showed anew
 - 115 Ellipses
 - 116 What the eight featured celebrities in this puzzle are doing?
 - 121 Edit further, perhaps
 - 122 State of joy
 - 123 Bones near tibiae
 - 124 Bottom-of-barrel residue
 - 125 Fabray of Broadway
 - 126 Greek Week guy
 - 3 Lead or tin singer
 - 4 "I'm Sorry"
 - 5 The Emerald Isle
 - 6 Singer DiFranco
 - 7 Most soft, dry and crumbly
 - 8 "Solid Gold" host Marilyn
 - 9 Breakfast chain, for short
 - 10 Flow barrier
 - 11 Discharge from the military, informally
 - 12 Skater Midori
 - 13 Minks' kin
 - 14 Femme —
 - 15 Modify
 - 16 #1 song, say
 - 17 "The Father" actress Poots
 - 18 Tools for fruit preparation
 - 19 How bedding is often packaged
 - 24 IM chuckle
 - 29 City near Bangalore
 - 31 Booming jet of old, in brief
 - 32 Jazz genre
 - 33 Bitter brew
 - 34 Karel Capek sci-fi play
 - 36 Actor Pascal
 - 37 Floored it
 - 39 Good, in Nice
 - 40 From dusk to dawn
 - 41 Dynamo
 - 42 52, to Flavius
 - 43 Hotel cousin
 - 45 L'il Abner creator Al
 - 48 Ashley or Mary-Kate
 - 49 Cooked in a clay oven, as naan
 - 50 Neighbor of a Spaniard
 - 51 Part of TGIF
 - 53 NBC skit show, in brief
 - 55 Lazy sort
 - 56 Meyers of "Kate & Allie"
 - 57 "Rambo" site, for short
 - 58 Decline
 - 59 — polloi
 - 62 "What a pity!"
 - 66 Bullfight yell
 - 68 Your and my
 - 69 Droop down
 - 70 Mendes of movies
 - 71 Berlin article
 - 73 — discount
 - 74 Long, thin fish
 - 77 Clear of mist
 - 79 Eye sore
 - 81 High-kicking French dance
 - 82 Diletantish
 - 83 Long, thin fish
 - 84 Org. enforcing the 104-Across
 - 86 First post-band album, perhaps
 - 90 Vodka brand
 - 92 Marine snail with no shell
 - 93 Cooking wine
 - 94 Lyricist Gershwin
 - 95 Actor Cage, to friends
 - 96 "Addams Family" cousin
 - 97 Compadre
 - 98 Harmony
 - 99 Shamrock, e.g.
 - 100 Threat
 - 102 Guys contracted by the Mafia
 - 105 Bird hangouts
 - 106 Wading bird
 - 107 Tic — (mint)
 - 109 Toothbrush brand
 - 110 Region of China
 - 111 In tune
 - 113 "— Rhythm"
 - 114 Country's McEntire
 - 117 Mo. neighbor
 - 118 Native suffix
 - 119 Tiny objection
 - 120 Space station until 2001

Crossword answers on page B6

GO FIGURE!

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

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| 2. Meditation | ___ R ___ | Actor or team member | ___ L ___ |
| 3. Gut feeling | ___ N ___ | Pigeon enclosure | ___ T ___ |
| 4. Torrent of rain | ___ G ___ | Hoodwink | ___ D ___ |
| 5. Aesop's speciality | F ___ | Kitchen furniture | T ___ |
| 6. Modify | ___ E ___ | Church platform | ___ A ___ |
| 7. Smallest finger | ___ N ___ | Hard to please | ___ C ___ |
| 8. Energetic | ___ I ___ | Attractive | ___ O ___ |
| 9. Clothes holder | ___ E ___ | Airplane garage | ___ A ___ |
| 10. Underage person | ___ R ___ | North Dakota city | ___ T ___ |

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"Guess who I'd REALLY like to send to school!"

SCRAMBLERS

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

Stoop: **DINGE** [] []

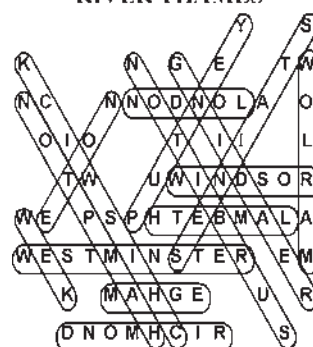
Clang: **ONESI** [] []

Deluge: **RAREBAG** [] []

Social: **CAROLID** [] []

TODAY'S WORD

PLACE NAMES ON THE RIVER THAMES



CryptoQuip

In my broth recipe I refuse to use that herb from a laurel tree, contrary to popular bay leaf.

Even Exchange

- answers
- Crane, Crate
 - Prayer, Player
 - Hunch, Hufch
 - Deluge, Delude
 - Fable, Table
 - Alter, Allar
 - Pinky, Picky
 - Lively, Lovely
 - Hanger, Hangar
 - Minor, Minot

Go Figure!

answers

3 + 5 + 6 = 14
+ [] - [] + [] = 14
7 - 1 + 8 = 14
÷ [] x [] x [] = 44
[] = [] = [] = 36
[] = [] = [] = 56

SCRAMBLERS

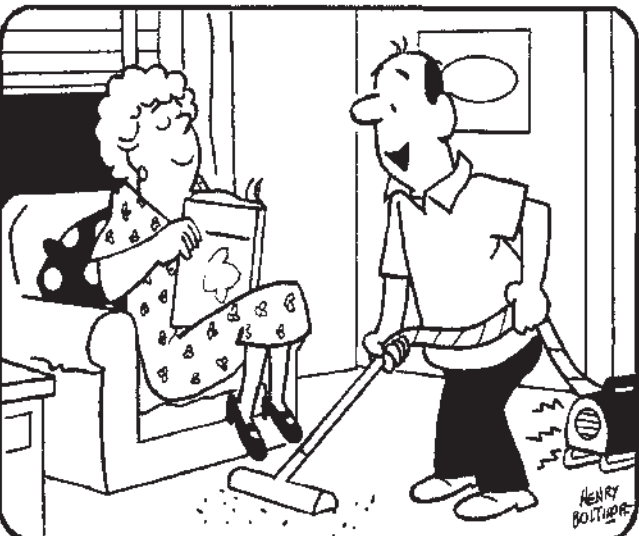
solution

1. Deign; 2. Noise
 3. Barrage; 4. Cordial

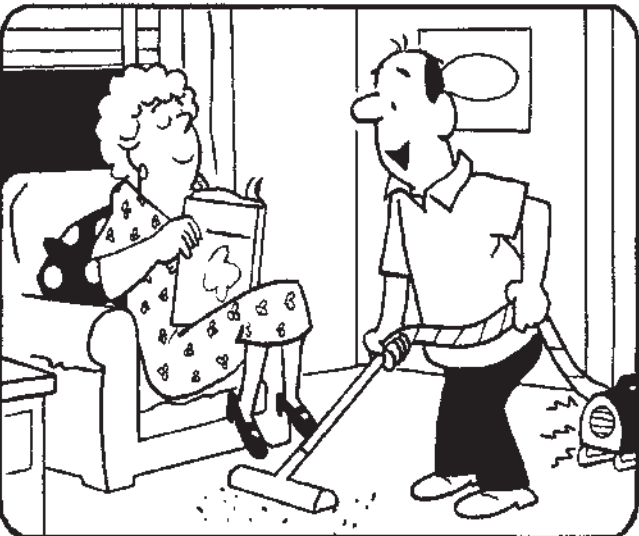
Today's Word
OBEDIENCE

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

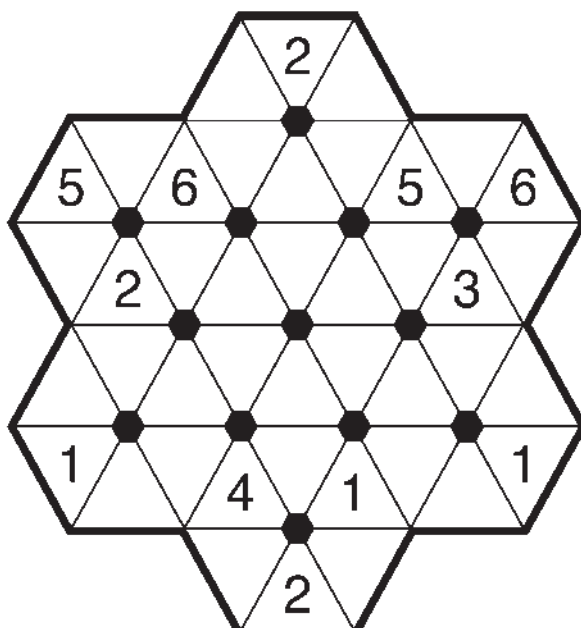


Differences: 1. Leg is moved. 2. Vacuum is moved. 3. Blinds are higher. 4. Drawer is larger. 5. Back of chair is higher. 6. Bottom of chair is different.

SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

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



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆◆
 ◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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Weekly SUDOKU

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

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
 ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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