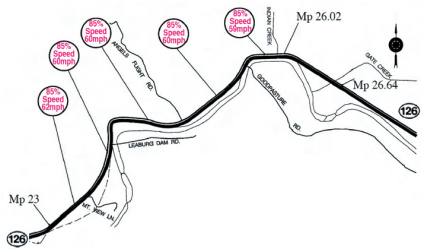


Serving the McKenzie River Valley ... And Subscriber Bob Wilson of Vida



Speed zone denied

A 2008 request to drop the speed limit on Hwy. 126 between Indian Creek And Mountain View Lane wasn't supported by a recent traffic study by the Oregon Dept. of Transportation.

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Dealing with deer

A garden is like a box of bonbons to deer, and homeowners fill it with the candy they love most.

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Wreck in Camp Creek was fatal

CAMP CREEK: The Lane County Sheriff's Office received the report of a serious motor vehicle crash on Camp Creek Road on September 24th at approximately 1:27 p.m. The accident occurred near milepost 2, in the general area of the Easy Lane intersection.

Deputies responded and found that a black Toyota Tacoma driven by 26-year-old Austin McKee of Springfield had been driving westbound when the vehicle crossed over into the eastbound lane for an unknown reason. The Toyota struck an eastbound Chevrolet Silverado pickup head-on.

McKee was transported by paramedics to an area hospital in critical condition. The driver of the Silverado, 70-year-old Larry Sidwell of Springfield, was transported to a hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

Police said the reason that McKee crossed in the oncoming lane remains under investigation. Evidence of drug use was located at the scene according to the Sheriff's Office.

McKee died at the hospital over the weekend as a result of his injuries.

Pilot killed in mountain crash

Debris located in Mount Jefferson Wilderness

The Linn County Sheriff Michelle Duncan reported last Thursday that they'd received information an airplane went down near Mount Jefferson. At 4:14 p.m., on September 22nd, hikers in the area reported hearing what sounded like an airplane engine followed by a loud crash.

The two hikers were on the Pacific Crest Trail when they heard the crash and said they could smell fuel but did not see an airplane. The report was followed by the United States Air Force Rescue Coordination Center (AFRCC) contacting LCS Dispatch stating they had an airplane radar that disappeared over the Mount Jefferson Wilderness Area.

At around 6:25 p.m. the AFRCC called back and said they confirmed radar showed a small plane going down and provided a general area.

Linn County Sheriff Michelle Duncan said the Search and Rescue team, along with Life Flight, were activated to search for the downed airplane. Life Flight flew to the area but was not able to identify a crash site due to weather conditions. Additional air resources (United States Coast Guard) also responded and were unable to locate any downed airplane.

While crews were searching, the **Pilot killed - Page 4**

Mushrooms are ready

It's time for Fall food foraging expeditions

People heading out to do some wild edible foraging are being cautioned to keep safety at the forefront of their plans while mushroom hunting. With an eye toward reducing missing person reports, the Lane County Sheriff's Office is reminding people to develop a plan to avoid getting lost as well as returning home safely.

In the past, we've seen several mushroom pickers go missing around this time of year, including Shane Eldor Sprenger, who is still missing. The 47-year-old man was last known to be near the Blue River Reservoir area possibly mushroom picking back in November of 2021.

"Folks should make sure they have a plan of where they're going. Make sure they have maps of the area, that they're familiar with

the area. But most importantly that people that they know, know where they're going to be," says Sergeant Thomas Speldrich of Lane County Sheriff's Office.

People can contact Fungi For The People or the Cascade Mycological Society for mushrooming tips and information before heading out. Several Pacific Northwest fungi-focused books and Facebook groups carry information about identification basics, along with safety tips. The best advice for a beginner is to go with an experienced person who can share their knowledge.

Other things to keep in mind include staying off private property and areas under public land closures due to wildfires or landslides that could involve unstable and potentially hazardous terrain. On Bureau of Land Management properties no permit is required for harvesting less than a gallon for personal consumption. A Recreational Use or Commercial Use permit is required for before harvesting more than a gallon. The Willamette National Forest also has no requirement for a permit for personal use harvesting under a gallon, excluding Matsutake mushrooms. No harvesting of truffles is allowed.

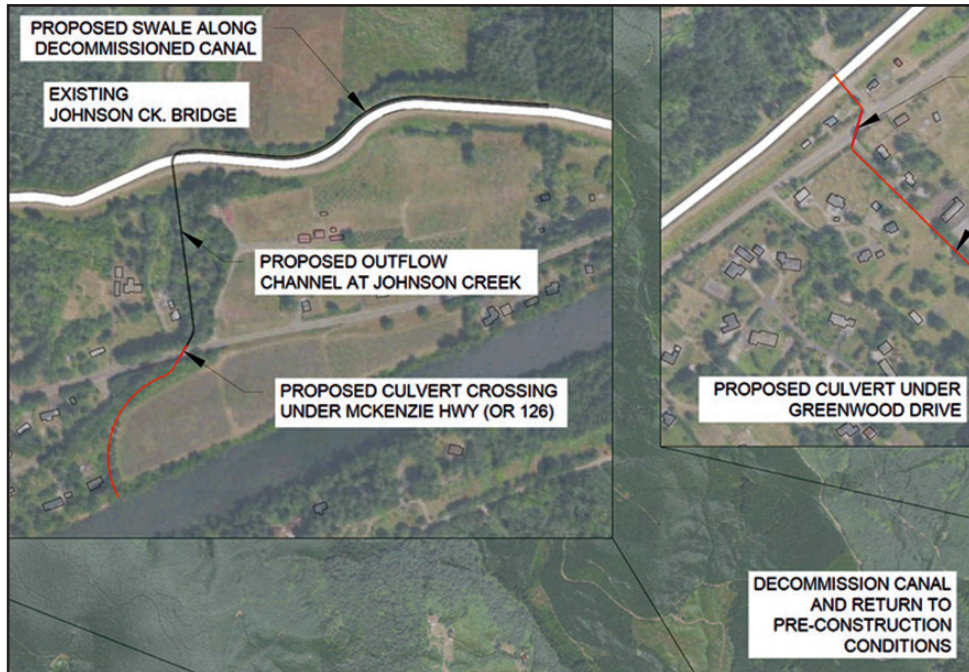
Sergeant Speldrich says cell phones can give a good GPS of where you are going and how to get back But he also advises not to rely on the devices due to the lack of cell phone reception in some areas. Other **Mushrooms are ready - Page 4**



The Cascade Mycological Society has launched a project that will capture the fungi that are present in wood chip habitats in Lane County.

Opponents plan lake removal rally

Paddlers and pedestrians invited to event



Constructing new culverts and bridges would be some of the issues the Eugene Water & Electric Board would have to deal with if the Leaburg hydroelectric project was removed.

LEABURG: People who don't think removing Leaburg Dam and the lake it created are planning to make a public showing. Organizers of a "Save the Lake" petition say they've gathered around 800 signatures and are inviting the public to show up on Sunday, October 16th. Those that do are being asked to launch boats, kayaks, and paddleboards for a float on the lake at 3 p.m. People who don't take to the water can join a march across the dam.

In 2018 the Eugene Water & Electric Board drained the Leaburg Canal after identifying potentially dangerous leaks and seepage.

Since then the utility has been exploring whether to return the entire hydroelectric project back to full service, modify it, or removing it.

That last option has generated opposition from many area residents, including those who own property on the shoreline of the 40-acre lake. Besides that body of water, removal would

involve taking out the Leaburg Dam, the road on top of it, fish ladders, and 5 miles of canal levees.

At an estimated cost of \$252.5 million, the full removal option would involve reconnecting several tributary streams to the main McKenzie River.

EWEB is accepting public comment until October 10th. A complete draft assessment of the alternatives is scheduled for the Board of Commissioners' October meeting.

Friday film focuses on fires

Documentary explores recovery and avoidance

RAINBOW: For people attending the Elemental documentary event on September 30th, a cautionary warning might be needed for some. The movie includes images of homes being destroyed by flames and the radio chatter of first responders, which could be unnerving, especially to those who have lived through an evacuation. "It is real footage and it is real people's stories," explains Michael Sherman who is also a filmmaker.

Sherman, a McKenzie High School graduate who grew up in the area, has been instrumental

in helping organize the Elemental movie event with a screening at the U.S. Basketball Academy this Friday night. He's aware that some residents might feel rattled and has worked to ensure there will



Tripp Jennings, director of "Elemental"

be mental and emotional resources and professionals at the event who can provide support.

"From being a filmmaker myself I know the goal is to share how the fires affected people and communities, but most importantly share what we can do about preventing so much community loss in the future," he says. "It can be challenging to watch parts of this movie, but it also feels so important to come together and move forward through these challenging circumstances."

Tripp Jennings, director **Friday film - Page 5**

Ridin' the Rapids

By Ken Engelman

There was a ribbon cutting ceremony at the new Welcome sign in Walterville last week. While I was walking back to my car I happened to look across the highway at the intersection of Hwy. 126 and Millican Road. The view started another train of thought as I drove back east to my office.

That downriver intersection and several others I drove by were upgraded as a result of the efforts of Jack Crawford and several other people who were part of the McKenzie Highway Association in the mid 80's. People who've been around a while can recall when those junctions used to meet at an acute angle, rather than today's 90-degree configuration.

At Leaburg Lake, the Old

McKenzie Fish Hatchery is now an incubator for the development of the McKenzie River Discovery Center. Efforts to save it from demolition were spearheaded by then county commissioner Bill Rogers, whose fellow board members gave him a "Christmas present" before his retirement by voting to preserve it.

And there were the other signs I passed in almost every local community. They reminded me of the Blue River Action Group and Tom Wolfe, who encouraged people to support Randy Smith's original design for those markers.

Plus, all the roads I drove on - all the way up to my own driveway - were part of the designated routes that are now part of Oregon's network of scenic roads. Who did that remind me of? Robert Aufderheide.

Thankfully, there's a lot of accomplishments in our area and a lot of people to thank.



Letters to the Editor

Thanks for support

The Walterville Grange wants to thank everyone in our community and surrounding area for supporting our Grange events. Even though we were unable to have the Community Fair we heard from many of you about how much you missed the parade, the Waddle, the delicious chicken dinner, and other fair events, we hope you will attend our future gatherings.

We are looking forward to seeing all of you at our next event, the Spaghetti Feed, on Friday, November 11, from 5 to 7 p.m. Red, white, and blue will be the theme for the evening honoring all veterans.

If you are a veteran or know a veteran, please come join us for some spaghetti. Because of the cancellation we will be raffling off prizes that were graciously donated by our local businesses and community members. There will also be some 2022 Waddle T-shirts that will be for sale.

Walterville Grange #416

McKenzie Eagles Sports Report



By Cliff Richardson

McKenzie Varsity Sports Schedule This Week

The McKenzie Varsity Volleyball team travels to Alsea on Tuesday, September 27, to participate in a three-way match with Alsea and Siletz Valley. The first match is scheduled for a 5:00 pm start versus Alsea and the second match will start at 7:30 pm against Siletz Valley.

The Eagle Volleyball team will host Crow on Thursday, September 29, and the match is scheduled for a 6:00 pm start. The McKenzie Volleyball team is scheduled for a double-header at Mapleton on Monday, October 3. The first match will begin at 4:30 pm followed by the second match starting at 6:00 pm.

The McKenzie Cross Country teams will travel to Santiam Christian High School at Adair Village to participate in the SC High School Invitational. The Girls 5,000 meter race starts at 5:00 pm and the Boys 5,000 meter

race begins at 5:30 pm.

The McKenzie Varsity Six-Man Football team hosts Jewell on Friday, September 30 with the opening kickoff scheduled for 7:00 pm.

Eddyville and Mohawk Defeat McKenzie In Mt. West Battles

Both Eddyville Charter and Mohawk notched Mt. West League wins over McKenzie this past week. The McKenzie Eagle team remains winless on the season thus far.

Traveling to Eddyville Charter last Tuesday, September 20, the young McKenzie team was confronted with an experienced and deep roster of Eddyville Volleyball players. Eddyville is currently in second place in Mt. West League standings with a 6-1, 7-4 record. That is a game behind Mohawk, which is still undefeated in MWL play, 7-0, 9-6. With a potential MWL Championship title at stake, Eddyville played focused to the end, defeating the Finn Rock visitors in three sets, 25-10, 25-14, and 25-8.

Out of the fire and into the frying pan, the next day McKenzie hosted the Mohawk Mustangs. The Eagles gave the Mustangs a good battle the first set, losing 25-18, but the Mohawk team took control the rest of the match, posting 25-8 and 25-11 wins over their McKenzie hosts. No match

stats were available at press time.

Eagle Cross Country At Cheadle Lake Park

The McKenzie Varsity Cross Country teams traveled to Lebanon on Friday, September 23, to participate in the Champs Invite, a meet featuring 45 Cross Country teams from around the State of Oregon. The Girls Varsity 5,000 meter race featured 131 runners and the Boys Varsity 5K featured 183 athletes.

Eagle freshman Myra Dion scored the highest finish on the day for the McKenzie teams, traveling the 5K course, located just outside Lebanon, in a time of 25:05.17 minutes. Dion's time was good for 58th place. Will Meister, a fellow Eagle freshman, toured his course race in 25:17.81 minutes, which earned him a 164th place finish.

Winning the Girls 5K was Daisy Lalonde, a sophomore athlete out of East Linn Christian and her time was 19:07.58 minutes.

Santiam Christian senior Benjamin Bourne with a finish time of 16:09.15 minutes won the Boys 5K race.

Cougars Claw Out Season First Win Over Eagles

It was a perfect September night for football in Finn Rock. Sunshine gave way to a peaceful, no-wind evening up the McKenzie as the Finn Rock version of Friday Night lights highlighted two football teams, twelve players combined, going at it with purpose. That purpose was to notch a season-first victory in the Special District 2 North Six-man football league.

Both teams approached the opening kickoff with an enthusiastic attitude (and hope) that their specific game plan and management would prevail. Fans from both schools, the Eagles and the Cougars of Crow, sat up their lounge chairs on the side of Wade Thomas Field that isn't under construction and the kids gathered behind on the baseball field to set

up the all important nerf ball game. Someone brought a nerf ball that lit up when thrown and was an automatic hit on a field that hasn't seen a hit for some time now!

Back on the field that counts, the Eagles and the Cougars squared off for the official Scratch and Claw main event. McKenzie tilted the scoreboard first with a touchdown and a missed PAT. Crow answered with a TD four minutes later and failed on the kick PAT. The Eagles gave up another touchdown with less than a minute left in the first quarter. Crow's confidence growing, the Cougars scored again with 7:03 remaining in the first half, and this time they tacked on a successful PAT. McKenzie rallied soon after with their second touchdown of the evening and added a PAT, pushing the score to 19-13 in favor of the visitors.

That would wrap up the first half scoring. And the third quarter

scoring, as both team's defense held tight.

The fourth quarter changed that and opened with a quick Cougar touchdown giving the Valley Boys some breathing room, 25-13. McKenzie, realizing their backs were up against the wall, responded the next series with a hometown touchdown and now the lounge chair crowd could be seen leaning forward with renewed interest. Game on! The nerf ball game never missed a beat however.







With the score 25-20 in favor of the Cats, McKenzie's defense finally wore down and found it increasingly difficult to hold the Crow running game. The Cougars tacked on a couple more Tds to lengthen out their lead.

Final from Finn Rock - Crow 37 and the home Eagles 20. With the win, Crow improved to 1-2 and McKenzie fell to 0-3.

Letters to the Editor



Letters To The Editor should contain no more than 250 words. All letters must be signed and include an address and phone number. Addresses and phone numbers will not be published upon request. Deadline for submission is Monday at 5 pm.

Friday 9/30		Saturday 10/1		Sunday 10/2	
					
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WEATHER REPORT									
READINGS TAKEN AT THE US ARMY CORPS COUGAR DAM					READINGS TAKEN AT EWEB LEABURG POWERHOUSE				
Date	High	Low	Rain	Releases	Date	High	Low	Rain	Riverflow
9/20	64	53	0	688 cfs	9/20	75	51	0	2,400 cfs
9/21	61	52	0.32	710 cfs	9/21	62	53	0.06	2,400 cfs
9/22	67	51	0.32	695 cfs	9/22	63	55	0.12	2,410 cfs
9/23	78	45	0	680 cfs	9/23	75	45	0	2,400 cfs
9/24	82	49	0	688 cfs	9/24	77	45	0	2,370 cfs
9/25	91	55	0	690 cfs	9/25	81	47	0	2,340 cfs
9/26	90	52	0	695 cfs	9/26	83	48	0	2,340 cfs

Sheriff's Report

Sept. 19: 1:32 p.m: Criminal Mischief - Camp Creek Rd. & Easy Ln. A caller reported that a person known to the caller damaged the caller's vehicle.

2:01p.m: Disturbance, Dispute - 55300 block, McK. River Dr. A caller reported being shoved by her ex-boyfriend. No injuries were reported.

Sept. 20: 2:16 p.m: Assist, Follow Up - 51600 blk, Blue River Dr.

5:07 p.m: Welfare Check - 92100 blk. Marcola Rd.

5:21 p.m: Citizen Contact - 45600 blk. N. Gate Creek Rd.

Sept. 21: 12:12 p.m: Alarm - 48100 blk. Conley Rd.

3:07 p.m: Vehicle Stop - McK. Hwy. & Ross Ln.

3:21 p.m: Vehicle Stop - McK. Hwy. & Ross Ln.

3:36 p.m: Assist, Follow Up - 51200 blk. McK. Hwy.

4:39 p.m: Citizen Contact - : 91800 blk. Mill Creek Rd.

5:16 p.m: Motor Vehicle Accident, Unknown Injury - McK. Hwy. mp 28.

5:59 p.m: Vehicle Stop - N. Gate Creek Rd. & McK. Hwy.

6:26 p.m: Vehicle Stop - 45600 blk. McK. Hwy.

7:25 p.m: Vehicle Stop - Camp Creek Rd. & Oak Point Rd.

7:59 a.m: Suspicious Conditions - 37700 blk. Upper Camp Creek Rd.

7:47 p.m: Vehicle Stop - Camp Creek Rd. & Oak Point Rd.

Sept. 22: 12:14p.m: Suspicious Conditions - 38900 blk. Hendricks Park Rd.

1:30 p.m: Vehicle Stop - Camp Creek Rd. & Oak Point Rd.

1:56 p.m: Assist, Follow Up - 37900 blk. Shenandoah Lp.

2:13 p.m: Welfare Check - 35400 blk. Camp Creek Rd.

2:17 p.m: Suspicious Vehicle - Fir Ridge Rd. & Pauls Rd.

4:16 p.m: Theft of Mail - 88400 blk. Gemstone Rd.

4:24 p.m: Violation of Restraining Order - 1700 blk. Marcola Rd.

5:21 p.m: Motor Vehicle Accident, Unknown Injury - 93000 blk. Marcola Rd.

7:06 p.m: Foot Patrol - Walterville Pond.

9:04 p.m: Towed Vehicle - 93000 blk. Marcola Rd.

8:48 p.m: Vehicle Stop - Camp Creek Rd. & Oak Point Rd.

Sept. 23: 8:34 a.m: Assist, Follow Up - 53000 blk. McK. Hwy.

8:37 a.m: Blocked Driveway - 91700 blk. Marcola Rd.

9:53 a.m: Abandoned Animal - 56200 blk. Hall Dr.

10:18 a.m: Assist, Information - 46700 blk. Goodpasture Rd.

12:33 p.m: Unlawful Use of Vehicle - 89300 blk. Old Mohawk Rd.

1:17 p.m: Suspicious Vehicle - Eagle Rock Dr. & McK. Hwy.

3:28 p.m: Foot Patrol - Paradise Campground.

3:53 p.m: Citizen Contact - 57900 blk. McK. Hwy.

Sept. 24: 7:58 a.m: Assist Fire Department - 56200 blk, Hall Dr.

9:31 a.m: Dead Animal - 9000 blk, Thurston Rd.

10:03 a.m: Disturbance, Dispute - 37800 blk, MJ Chase Rd.

12:19 p.m: Assist, Follow Up - Mona Campground.

1:16 p.m: Citizen Contact - Cascade View staging area.

1:27 p.m: Motor Vehicle Accident, Fatal - 36100 blk, Camp Creek Rd.

4:17 p.m: ATL Drunk Driver - Marcola Rd. & walling St.

5:28 p.m: Traffic Hazard - 92200 blk, Carson St.

5:50 p.m: Citizen Contact - McGowan Creek Rd. Mp 6.

8:47 p.m: Disabled Vehicle - Marcola Rd. & alder branch Rd.

8:59 p.m: Vehicle Stop - McGowan Creek Rd. & Old Armitage Rd.

Sept. 25: 11:42 a.m: Reckless Endangering - Deerhorn rd. & McK. Hwy. The driver of a vehicle involved in a crash advised that they were run off of the road by

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McKenzie Fire & Rescue

Sept. 19: 9:15: 46000 block, McK. Hwy. Medical, Trauma. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

Sept. 20: 14:51: 45000 blk, McK. Hwy. Motor Vehicle Accident, Non-Injury/Non-Blocking.

19:48: McK. Hwy. Milepost 36. Medical, General. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

22:05: 35000 blk, Camp Creek Rd. MVA. Disregarded /Non-Injury.

23:17: 90000 blk, Angels Flight Rd. Medical, Heart. Patient Assessed, No Transport.

Sept. 21: 17:15: McK. Hwy. Mp. 28. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

Sept. 22: 6:53: Upper Camp Creek Rd. MVA. Investigate, Unable To Locate.

14:16: 45000 blk, N. Gate Creek Rd. Mp. 4. Use Restriction. Inform Homeowner of Restrictions.

22:54: 42000 blk, Holden Creek Ln Medical, General. Patient Refusal.

Sept. 23: 10:12: 46000 blk, Goodpasture Rd. Fire, Structure. Fire Extinguished.

18:42: 45000 blk, S. Gate Creek Rd. Medical, General. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

Sept. 24: 10:52: Finn Rock Boat Landing. Illegal Burn. Fire

Extinguished.

10:54: 40000 blk, McK. Hwy. Medical, General. Patient Refusal.

13:22: 87000 blk, Cedar Flat Rd.. Medical, General. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

13:25: 36000 blk, Camp Creek Rd. MVA. Patients Assessed, 2 Transported.

Sept. 25: 9:39: 45000 blk, McK. Hwy. Medical, General. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

11:39: Deerhorn Rd. Mp. 1. MVA. Non-Injury/Non-Blocking, No Transport.

14:19: 39000 blk, Easton Ln. Medical, General. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

McK. Fire & Rescue will hold its monthly Board of Directors meeting on Monday, October 17th, at noon, in the Leaburg Training Center, 42870 McK. Hwy. The district maintains Facebook, Twitter, and web pages. If you have a question or concern about any Fire District business, give Chief Bucich a call @ 541-896-3311. If he is unavailable, please leave a message and he will respond ASAP.

Upper McKenzie Fire/Rescue




Sept. 20: 19:44: Medical - McK. Hwy./Milepost 36. Female, Conscious, Breathing.

Sept. 23: 21:52: Medical - 91000 block, Horse Creek Rd. Male, Not Conscious, Breathing.





































Sept. 24: 07:29: Medical - 56000 blk, Hall Dr. Male, Conscious, Breathing.

Sept. 25: 12:52: Medical - 54000 blk, McK. River Dr. Female, Conscious, Breathing.

The Upper McK. Fire District board of directors will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m on Wednesday, October 19th, at the McK. fire station, 56578 McK. Hwy. in McKenzie Bridge.



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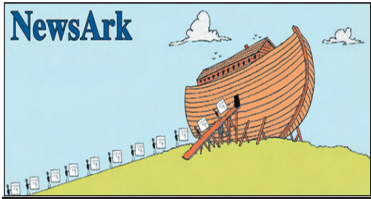
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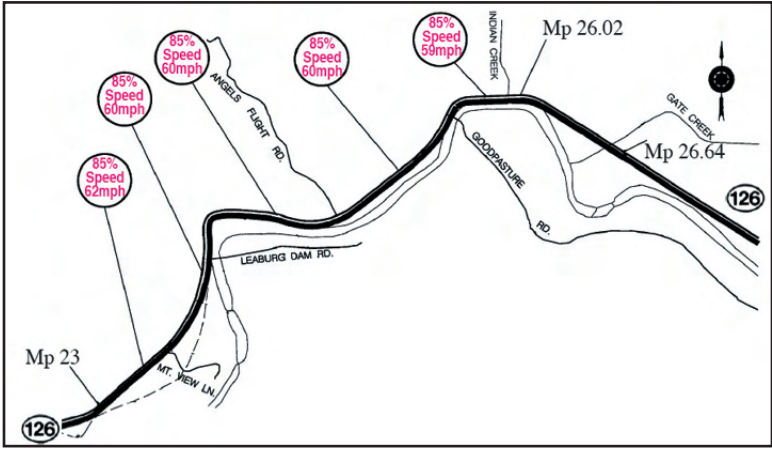
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State denies Hwy. 126 speed zone request



An Oregon Dept. of Transportation study found a majority of drivers traveling Hwy. 126 just west of Vida are exceeding the posted 55 mph speed limit.

VIDA: A request to drop the speed limit on Hwy. 126 between Indian Creek And Mountain View Lane wasn’t supported by a recent traffic study by the Oregon Dept. of Transportation.

The report to Lane County from Edward Fischer, ODOT’s State Traffic Engineer in Salem, found a high percentage of the vehicles traveling though the area were traveling faster than the posted 55 mph speed limit. The county had requested the speed be dropped to 45 mph, in anticipation of the Eugene Water & Electric Board’s plans to construct a new boat

landing nearby. ODOT looked at a number of characteristics including crash history, prevailing speeds, traffic volumes, highway geometry, and roadside culture and density. Fischer observed

“The primary factor used in establishing speed zones is the 85th percentile speed (the speed at or below which 85 percent of the vehicles are traveling).

Studies suggest posting speeds near the 85th percentile speed minimizes accident involvement and provides favorable driver compliance. The 85th percentile speed in the investigated section

of the McKenzie Highway was 60 mph.”

The findings, though, could result in more traffic enforcement along that stretch of highway. “Since the speed zone investigation shows that 52 percent of the observed vehicles were traveling over the posted speed,” Fischer wrote, “I am also sending a copy of this letter to the Oregon State Police to let them know the results of the speed zoning investigation.”

Fischer also commented on possible impacts of the proposed boat ramp near the Goodpasture covered bridge. “Our Region Traffic office is working with the County, EWEB and OBEC to investigate possible improvements to the highway to accommodate traffic going to the boat ramp,” he noted. “While we are not recommending a reduction in the speed zoning, other changes to the highway will improve the safety of the new intersection.”

EWEB spokesman Marty Douglass said whether or not the travel speed was reduced would have no impact on the project.

“What we’re talking to ODOT about is the sight distance, the need for a right turn deceleration lane and a possible center turn lane. They’ll make that determination to us independent of whatever speed limit they decide to have up there.”

Douglass said the utility is working on the finalizing the design proposal for the boat ramp, parking and other aspects of the facility. “I think they’re going to want a final design that shows where the entrance and exit points are. If we can get an indication from them ahead of time whether or not a center turn lane will be required, that would be good.”

Currently, EWEB planners

hope to have their proposal ready to put before the public at a couple of public meetings likely to be scheduled for early May.

“We want to run the designs by those people who are interested,” Douglass said. “Then we can go to work on all the land use issues.”

House to be used for fire training EWEB to burn house it bought

WALTERVILLE: Travelers can expect to see smoke and flames as well as a lot of fire apparatus this weekend. A house owned by the Eugene Water & Electric Board (EWEB) will be used by McKenzie Fire & Rescue for a “Burn to Learn” exercise this coming Sunday, April 20th.

The house, recently purchased by EWEB, is located at 39429 McKenzie Highway. It is located east of the Waltherville Shopping Center and just before the point the highway crosses the Waltherville Power Canal. Training activities are scheduled to begin at about 9:30 a.m. on Sunday morning.

“We don’t have many opportunities to train on a stick built house,” says McKenzie Fire & Rescue Chief Dale Ledyard.

“This type of exercise really benefits the fire department.” McKenzie Fire & Rescue has already used the structure for three different drills - including search & rescue, and the simulated rescue of fire fighters, Ledyard said. About 20 to 25 people will participate in Sunday’s exercise, he said.

The fire department will post signs in each direction on Sunday morning.



By Slim Randles

The banner across the front of the Read Me Now bookstore said “Happy Anniversary, Jimmy and Liz! Giant Sale on Love Books!”

We walked by the bookstore for a couple of days before Doc McKinley, who owns the place. After several days of speculation down at the Mule Barn truck stop, none of us could recall any local couple known as Jimmy and Liz. We hated to admit defeat, but there was just no getting around it. We thought Doc would be the perfect one to find out about the mysterious couple.

When Doc walked up to the counter, Sarah was ready for him with one of those Mona Lisa smiles. Oh ... she knew. She knew all right.

“Hi there Sarah,” said Doc. “Big sale, huh?”

“It’s the season, Doc. Love books. Right over there in the ‘Love and other Fiction’ department. You need some love books?”

“Well, not really, Sarah. It’s just that we’ve been trying to figure out who Jimmy and Liz are and we haven’t been successful, so the boys thought...”

“Now Doc, don’t tell me you didn’t realize that Feb. 16 was the Monroe’s wedding anniversary.”

“Monroe?”

“Sure. You remember. James Monroe? Monroe Doctrine? Keep foreign influence out of the Western Hemisphere? Jimmy married Elizabeth Kortright on February 16 in 1786.”

“President Monroe?” Doc shook his head. “I hate to spring this on you, Sarah, but I’m too young to remember when Jimmy and Liz got married.”

“She was only 18 you know.”

“Well, no, I didn’t realize that.”

“They were married in New York. It was a big deal at the time.”

“Are you ... related to them, maybe?”

“No. Just thought it would be nice to celebrate their anniversary with a sale on love books.”

Doc smiled. “Well, now, we’ll all raise our cups to Jimmy and Liz down at the Mule Barn tomorrow morning.”

Sarah smiled. We’re still trying to figure her out, you know.

“Two hundred and twenty-two years,” Sarah said, as Doc left the store. “And they said it wouldn’t last...”

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Pilot killed

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“Our sincerest condolences go out to the friends and family of the individual during this difficult

time,” the Coast Guard added.

Linn County Search and Rescue teams hiked into the area and confirmed the pilot was deceased as the crash was not survivable. The identity of the pilot has not been released at this time.

On Monday, the pilot of the plane was identified as Wayne Wirt of Chehalis, Washington. Wirt had reportedly refueled his plane at the Sister’s airport at 3 p.m. on Thursday. After he failed to land in Chehalis his family filed a missing person report.

Sheriff Duncan said the investigation is continuing. Wreckage from the crash will be moved to a secure location for a more detailed review of the cause of the crash.

Mushrooms are ready

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tips include bring along warm clothing, food, and water in case someone does get lost. If that happens people should stay put, so it’s easier for first responders to locate them.

Closer to home, the Cascade Mycological Society has been involved in a study of urban land-

scapes focusing on wood chip or mulch covered landscape areas within Lane County. Interested “citizen scientists” are invited to either join the Woodchip Fungi of Lane County project or add their observations on a fungus found on wood chips. for more information, go to: tinyurl.com/yc2fppek

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Gardening Tips

By Kym Pokorny



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Draw the line against deer



A garden is like a box of bonbons to deer, and homeowners fill it with the candy they love most.

“Deer are looking for the highest quality food and our yards often offer the best smorgasbord,” said Dana Sanchez, a wildlife specialist for Oregon State University Extension Service. “When taking loving care of our plants – watering well and fertilizing – we’re producing a really superior plant compared to what’s in the natural environment. They are more tender and have more nutrition and water content.”

In the wild, deer and native plants evolved together, so plants developed defenses like waxy leaves or prickles that make them more adapted to surviving grazing. Even when they do get nibbled, natives are more likely to survive than the succulent plants in our gardens.

“We’re often selecting plants from other parts of the world that didn’t get to learn through evolution about the herbivores in our ecosystem,” Sanchez said. “They’re ‘naïve.’ Even roses that have prickles don’t have them around the beautiful blossoms, which the deer just snap off. They easily take what they want.”

Choosing native plants – or other plants less attractive to their

palate – helps deter deer. Get ideas from an Extension publication on deer-resistant plants. The list was developed for central Oregon but the plants can be grown in other parts of the state as well. Check the hardiness zones to be sure they’ll grow in your area or check with your local master gardeners, who will also be able to steer you to plants that gardeners in your location have found successful.

Deer explore our yards for more than just plants. They’re delighted with supplemental food provided deliberately by humans who believe they’re being kind; a practice Sanchez strongly discourages. Feeding deer gives them more motivation to wander into suburban, sometimes even urban, yards.

The feeling of safety, once they arrive, makes them want to stay. The large carnivores that prey on them aren’t around and humans aren’t hunting them. Deer even become desensitized to dogs unless there’s a close confrontation, which usually ends poorly for the dog, Sanchez said.

“Places, where humans live, are a great place for deer to hang out, which makes it difficult to keep them away,” she added.

But it’s an effort important to make. As more deer congregate,

there’s potential for parasites and diseases to spread among themselves and possibly to humans. For instance, in some Midwest and East Coast states deer carrying the ticks that pass on Lyme disease pose a significant health issue. Plus, the large carnivores they’re trying to escape may follow them into neighborhoods, setting up a dangerous situation.

“We don’t want large plant eaters or the meat eaters that prey on them hanging around,” Sanchez said. “Keeping wildlife in the wild is best for humans and the animals.”

But thwarting the high-jumping animals takes quite an effort. Eventually, many homeowners plagued by deer resort to fences, whether an enclosure around a prized rosebush or an 8- to 10-foot barrier around the entire yard. However, deer fencing, made of a robust mesh material, is an expensive initial investment. Another option is a single strand of electrical wire extending from a regular fence.

Some people use motion-controlled scarecrow sprinklers, which blast water when activated. “That’s more of a shock-and-awe deterrent,” Sanchez said. “It protects a limited area, though. Deer are notorious for figuring out the spray pattern and getting around it. They’re helpful for a corner of the yard or a bed up against the house.”

Deer repellents can be effective but need to be applied frequently during rainy periods or when plants have been watered with an overhead sprinkler. Even summer sunshine or extreme heat can degrade the products. It’s also a good idea to vary the types of repellents you use because deer become sensitized to the same one used repeatedly. And remember, don’t spray them on anything you might eat: The odor and taste are just as unpleasant for us as it is for the deer.

No matter what you do, don’t be surprised if you discover munched plants in the garden.

“Deer are determined and persistent when it comes to filling their tummies,” Sanchez said.



Country Kitchen

By Mary Emma Allen



THE JOY OF LIBRARIES

As I sat at the computer at our public library, writing my Country Kitchen column, because our phone line and wireless were out of order, I realized the value of having a library with access to a computer and the Internet readily available. A truck had gone along our dirt, dead end road, caught the utility line and pulled it down. It was more than a week before the phone company could get out our way and repair it. In the meantime, I had writing deadlines to meet. I’ve seen articles about the obsolescence of public libraries and the suggestion that the money put into them be used elsewhere in the town or city budget. What a loss this would be, especially in a small town like mine!

Granddaughter’s Comment

My granddaughter’s comment, when she was about eight years old, has long stayed with me. Her dad asked her what she would do for a day if she could choose anything she wanted. Kara’s response: “Daddy could I spend the whole day at the library?” She loved to read then and still does. Although she has an electronic book reader, she usually carries a physical book with her, as does her mom. I enjoyed, too, taking the grandchildren to the summer reading programs when they were young and living with us. While they were involved in activities for their age groups, I browsed and read throughout the evening and did research for my writing.

Changing Libraries

Most public libraries nowadays are changing with the times and the needs of their patrons. Our local library has many programs for

children and adults, different types to meet the needs of everyone. I’ve taught writing and family history workshops at the library and given various presentations. Changing monthly exhibits by local artists adorn the walls. Each new one is accompanied by a “Meet the Artist” reception. The number of computers for patrons and visitors to use are increasing. The separate children’s room attracts parents and children alike. (In a previous column, I wrote about the painted rocks that accompanied the children’s summer reading program this year.) Presentations by local and statewide writers are offered. I subscribe to the monthly email announcements from our library, the library in the town where I grew up, as well as surrounding towns. I’m amazed at the offerings these libraries have. So much of our culture would be depleted if public libraries were discontinued. Cooking Programs - Libraries even offer cooking programs.

TOMATO BASIL SALAD - A way to use the fresh tomatoes now in season.

Dice 4 large tomatoes. Chop 1/4-cup basil leaves into small pieces. Add salt and pepper to taste. Stir in 2 tablespoons salad or olive oil and 1 tablespoon vinegar. Add cubes of mozzarella cheese, or other cheese of choice, if desired. If you don’t like basil, use chopped parsley, chives, and/or other herbs.

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Friday film

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of Elemental, will be attending the event and has worked for National Geographic for over a decade and won dozens of awards around the world. In 2020 Jennings created a series of shows for PBS called “Weathered” that is focused on extreme weather, climate, and how to prepare for climate extremes. He’s also been recording the impacts of fires on the land, communities, and the economies of the West.

Sherman encourages people to arrive at the event at 6 p.m, an hour before the screening, and mingle with representatives from various organizations - ranging from the Oregon Dept.

of Forestry to the Pure Water Partners. Information about home hardening and preparing communities for wildfire will be available. Organizations will also be updating people about the process and progress of rebuilding from the Holiday Farm Fire.

Following the 74-minute film, panelists and local fire professionals will talk about the film and also answer questions from the audience.

“The goal of the event,” says Sherman “is to bring the McKenzie community together, provide resources for fire recovery and fire planning to prevent so much

loss happening from wildfire in the future. This movie examines the best solutions for how we can most effectively protect our communities.”

The U.S. Basketball Academy will be hosting a free barbecue and McKenzie Mist will be providing water. Prior to attending the screening, people are requested to register at tinyurl.com/elementalmckenzie to produce a projected headcount. The doors will open at 6 p.m. and the movie starts at 7 p.m. on Friday night, September 30th.

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Community Notes

September 30 Documentary Showing

The documentay “Elemental” will be prsented as a free event at 7 p.m. at the U.S. Basketball Academy. Doors will open at 6 p., and a question and answer panel will be available after te screening. The acadamy is located at is 54705 McKenzie Hwy. in Rainbow.

October 1 Dime At A Time

The Blue River Bottle Boys Collection/Sorting sessions are held every Saturday from 9 - 11 a.m. at the Leaburg Store. Donations can be dropped off there as well.

October 3 Springfield School Board

7 pm - 8:30 pm. The Board of Directors meet in the Administration Building, 640 A St, Springfield.

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Free groceries provided in accordance with Oregon Food Bank and Food For Lane County guidelines for food distribution to those in need. Tues: 11 am - 1 pm, every 2nd & 4th Friday @ McKenzie High School (New Gym)

October 16 Save Leaburg Lake

People who want to show their support for preserving Leaburg Lake and the Dam that created it are invited to show up on Sunday, October 16th, at 3 p.m. Options include creating a flotilla of boats, kayaks and paddleboardsfor a float onthe lake or joining in on a march across the dam. Chips and soft drinks will be provided.

October 17 McKenzie Fire & Rescue

McK. Fire & Rescue will hold its monthly Board of Directors meeting at noon, at the Leaburg Training Center from noon to 1 p.m.

October 19 Upper McK Fire Board

The board of directors will meet at 7p.m. 56578 McK. Hwy. in McKenzie Bridge.

October 20 Leaburg Food Pantry

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Fire season delays opening of fall outdoor burning

The fall outdoor burning season will open on Saturday, October 15th for many Lane County residents. The season, originally set to start Oct. 1, was delayed by the Lane County Fire Defense Board and the Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) due to a dry and warmer than average weather outlook.

“We have certainly passed the peak of fire season,” said Lane Regional Air Protection Agency (LRAPA) spokesperson, Travis Knudsen. “However, Lane County is dry and there is minimal moisture in the forecast.”

Yard debris may not be burned while the season remains closed. Lane Forest Products, Rexius, or Lane County’s transfer stations and dumpsites are resources available to those who wish to dispose of woody yard material ahead of the burn season on Oct. 15. Residents who burn during the closed season are subject to violations ranging from \$50 to \$2,500 or more.

LRAPA has published a fact-sheet providing information on non-burning disposal alternatives for natural vegetation in Lane County.

The Lane County Fire Defense Board and ODF will decide to open the fall burning season or delay it further closer to October 15th. People can check on the season’s status by visiting LRAPA’s website, or calling the LRAPA daily open burning advisory line: 541-726-3976.

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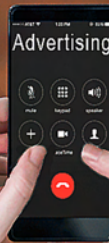
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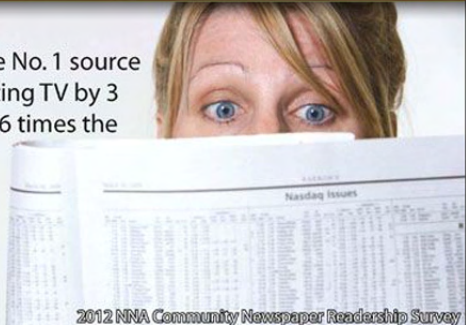


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Camp Creek wreck was fatal

CAMP CREEK: The Lane County Sheriff's Office received the report of a serious motor vehicle crash on Camp Creek Road on September 24th at approximately 1:27 p.m. The accident occurred near milepost 2, in the general area of the Easy Lane intersection.

Deputies responded and found that a black Toyota Tacoma driven by 26-year-old Austin McKee of Springfield had been driving westbound when the vehicle crossed over into the eastbound lane for an unknown reason. The Toyota struck an eastbound Chevrolet Silverado pickup

head-on.

McKee was transported by paramedics to an area hospital in critical condition. The driver of the Silverado, 70-year-old Larry Sidwell of Springfield, was transported to a hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

Police said the reason that McKee crossed in the oncoming lane remains under investigation. Evidence of drug use was located at the scene according to the Sheriff's Office.

McKee died at the hospital over the weekend as a result of his injuries.

Pilot killed in mountain crash

Debris located in Mount Jefferson Wilderness

The Linn County Sheriff Michelle Duncan reported last Thursday that they'd received information an airplane went down near Mount Jefferson. At 4:14 p.m., on September 22nd, hikers in the area reported hearing what sounded like an airplane engine followed by a loud crash.

The two hikers were on the Pacific Crest Trail when they heard the crash and said they could smell fuel but did not see an airplane. The report was followed by the United States Air Force Rescue Coordination Center (AFRCC) contacting Linn County Dispatch stating they had an airplane radar that disappeared over the Mount Jefferson Wilderness Area.

At around 6:25 p.m. the AFRCC called back and said they confirmed radar showed a small plane going down and provided a general area.

Linn County Sheriff Michelle Duncan said the Search and Res-

cue team, along with Life Flight, were activated to search for the downed airplane. Life Flight flew to the area but was not able to identify a crash site due to weather conditions. Additional air resources (United States Coast Guard) also responded and were unable to locate any downed airplane.

While crews were searching, the AFRCC advised they had received a report of a missing/overdue aircraft from Llano, California. It was identified as a single-engine 1996 Piper Cherokee.

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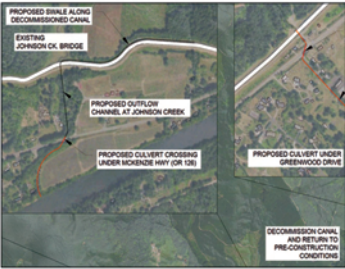
The Coast Guard continued search efforts Friday morning and made the announcement via a Tweet shortly before 3 p.m. that the plane and the pilot had been found.

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Opponents plan lake removal rally

Paddlers and pedestrians invited to event



Constructing new culverts and bridges would be some of the issues the Eugene Water & Electric Board would have to deal with if the Leaburg hydroelectric project was removed.

LEABURG: People who don't think removing Leaburg Dam and the lake it created are planning to make a public showing. Organizers of a "Save the Lake" petition say they've gathered around 800 signatures and are inviting the public to show up on Sunday, October 16th. Those that do are being asked to launch boats, kayaks, and paddleboards for a float on the lake at 3 p.m. People who don't take to the water can join a march across the dam.

In 2018 the Eugene Water & Electric Board drained the Leaburg Canal after identifying potentially dangerous leaks and seepage. Since then the utility has been exploring whether to return the entire hydroelectric project back to full service, modify it, or removing it.

That last option has generated opposition from many area residents, including those who own property on the shoreline of the 40-acre lake. Besides that body of water, removal would involve taking out the Leaburg Dam, the road on top of it, fish ladders, and 5 miles of canal levees.

At an estimated cost of \$252.5 million, the full removal option would involve reconnecting several tributary streams to the main McKenzie River.

EWB is accepting public comment until October 10th. A complete draft assessment of the alternatives is scheduled for the Board of Commissioners' October meeting.

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Direct Answers

By Wayne & Tamara Mirthell

Making Headway

A few years ago, I suffered several traumas within the space of a year. My father died, and my mother, out of grief, attempted suicide. The town I live in was hit by severe economic problems, problems so severe most of my friends moved away.

I went through a period of extreme neediness without many people around me. The people who were around me, by the way, were also reeling from the loss of many friends. I made an effort to meet new people, but, unfortunately, most of the people who stayed are 15 or 20 years older than me.

The only reason I stayed was because I held a good government job, a job I trained many years for and one I was lucky to get. The year all this tumult occurred, I was given a permanent position. I was torn. Personally, I was shattered, while professionally I was flourishing.

The last four years have been extremely difficult. The loneliness was unbearable at times, so I took solace in the bottle. I became so concerned about it last spring I called my mom to come and get me. I took leave from work and returned to my hometown.

Being around my family and old friends made my desire to seek oblivion disappear. But when

I returned here, I again found the loneliness overwhelming. I met a married man, and because he was so kind to me, began an affair.

This is the first time I have done anything like this. My ethics have always led me to act with integrity. It's madness, I know, but the pleasure, however stolen, that I get from this man is intense. I'm sure it's driven by loneliness and fantasy.

I don't have anyone to confide in, so I guess I'm not asking for advice, just support. I know what I have to do, but I'm scared to be alone again. I'm scared to leave a job I love and return home to look for work.

Tess

Tess, Gilroy, California bills itself as the "Garlic Capitol of the World." If you drive by the fields during much of the year, the place positively reeks of garlic. If you can't stand the smell of garlic, you can't live in Gilroy.

The place where you live is destroying you. Booze, loneliness, and losing your self-esteem threaten the one thing you stayed for. Your job. Your deeper self is sending you a message. You are trying to live in Gilroy, but you are allergic to garlic.

Most good things are scary, at least in the beginning. The first day

of school, flying for the first time, even simple things like going to a restaurant for the first time, can be scary. But what is the alternative? If there is no opportunity where you are, you need to move.

The longer you stay, the harder it will be to start over. Is it scary? Of course, but it's also exhilarating. Will there be difficulties? Of course, but you will move to a place where you have emotional support.

The key to a successful, fulfilled life lies in following the impulses from the deepest level of our being. Before we think, before we act, an answer is there. What is it? Before conscious thought intervened, what seemed right?

It doesn't matter what the situation is. Intuition listened to and followed makes us strong. You are not asking for advice because you don't need it. You know what to do.

When you move your life in the right direction, in time, you get a deep sense of satisfaction. When your life is out of hand, it seems like life is a random collection of events or "one damn thing after another." When you follow what you know is right, in time, it feels like you are being moved by the hand of destiny.

Wayne & Tamara

Wayne & Tamara are also the authors of *Cheating in a Nutshell, What Infidelity Does to the Victim*, available from Amazon, Apple and most booksellers.

American Life in Poetry

By Kwame Dawes

There is, of course, no hidden chapter in the "Good Book" that explores sandaled Jesus' fashion rules, but Cornelius Eady in "Easter Shoes" is being funny and deadly serious. The poem takes him back to childhood, to the pains of conformity and the forced obedience of being "dressed", "encased" and "pinched" into decency. "Easter Shoes" celebrates the petulant act of creative rebellion that he achieves by scuffing the impractical shoes while maintaining the "mirage" of obedience.

Easter Shoes

By Cornelius Eady

In a hidden chapter of the Good Book,
Is there a verse that explains
Why Jesus cares for fashion,
Why my feet must be encased
And pinched? When you're a kid,
It's how someone else dresses you;
You won't grow into these black, shiny
patents, as much as your mother
Wants it. On the way to Sunday School,
You are a mirage, like the new store shine
You scuff, as you obey.

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Fishing Report

McKenzie River: All hatchery rainbow trout released into the McKenzie River are marked with an adipose fin clip and anglers must release all non fin-clipped (wild) trout in the mainstem river. The lower 11 miles of the McKenzie River below the Hayden Bridge - and the McKenzie River upstream from Forest Glen Boat Ramp at Blue River - are restricted to angling with lures and flies only, and all trout must be released.

Fish Counts

September 21, Willamette Falls

Fall Chinook – 2,346
Winter Steelhead – 5,892



A Moment in Oregon History

By Rick Steber
(www.ricksteber.com)

September 29 - Little is known of a Chinese man known as Wong Luey. He was very sick when he showed up at the Multnomah County Poor Farm around 1900. Doctors diagnosed Luey as suffering from a severe case of leprosy and refused to have him housed with the others inmates. He was sent to live in a small shack in the secluded woods on the backside of the property. Luey was not allowed visitors. The only human he saw was the man assigned to bring him meals each day. The food was set outside the cabin. Luey lived that way, alone in the woods, until he died in August 1907. To avoid the possibility of contamination, his body and the shack he lived in, were burned.

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Notice to Interested Persons

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Dated and first published September 29, 2022.

Anna Delara, Personal Representative, c/o Oregon Elder Law, 2173 NE Broadway, Portland, Oregon 97232.

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Interested contractors should contact UMCCevents@gmail.com to schedule a mandatory pre-bid meeting and site visit at the construction site located at 54745 McKenzie River Drive in Rainbow, OR. All questions from bidders AND bids must be received by the Upper McKenzie Community Center no later than 5:00 PM, PST on Friday, September 30, 2022.

Quote of the Week

"A wise man can always be found alone. A weak man can always be found in a crowd."

Anonymous

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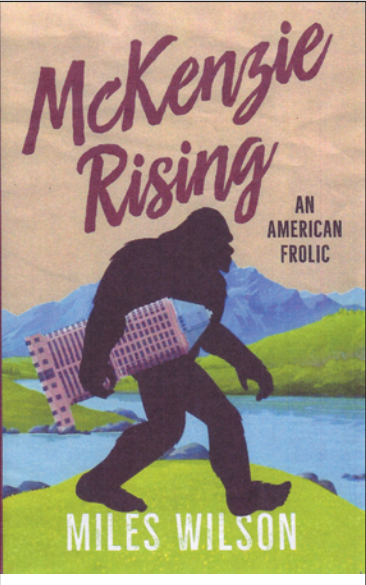
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Worried about over development?

People who lived in the eastern regions of the McKenzie Valley may remember Miles Wilson as a season worker with the U.S. Forest Service and a partner in Windfall Logging with Walt and Nat Spencer.

Today Wilson is an award-winning author of five books, including Fire Season, Harm: Poems, Woodwork: New and Selected Stories of the American West, and Line of Fall, winner of the John Simmons Short Fiction Award. He’s also a distinguished professor emeritus at Texas State University, where he was the founding director of the TSU Master of Fine Arts program.

Life on the river apparently has stayed with him as a source of inspiration for his second novel, McKenzie Rising. Within its pages, according to John Nichols, author of The Milagro Beanfield War, readers will find “Fear and Loathing in Oregon mixed with



Alice in Wonderland. There’s more crazy fun in this book than there used to be on Saturday Night Live.”

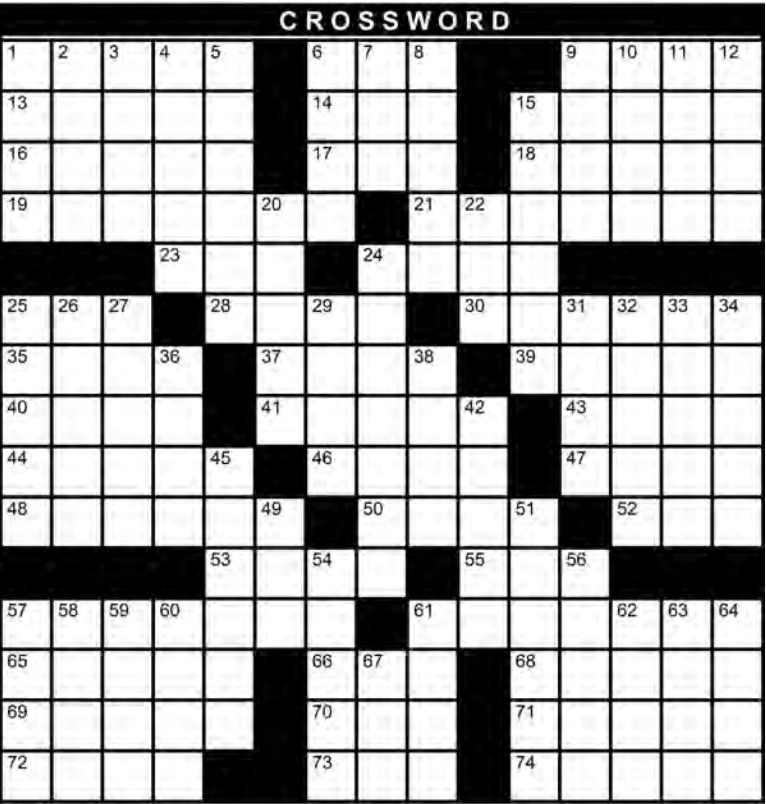
The book provides a cultural satire that follows the “MegaMax Corporation” and its plans to turn the upper McKenzie Valley into

an upscale development. Having already bought out the regional state university, MegaMax is poised to complete its upriver acquisitions overseen by a Wharton School MBA graduate.

A Dickensian ensemble fills out the cast of characters - with quite a few sidetracked by various amatory diversions. Those protesters include some larger-than-life “locals” like D.B. Cooper and Sasquatch, in all his odoriferous glory.

With the book’s 236 pages Wilson “pulls off a fast-paced, humorous work of satire that pokes fun at contemporary America. Packed with hapless rogues and adventurers,” according to Ann Weisgarber, author of The Glovemaker.

McKenzie Rising will be released on October 18th by the University of Nevada Press.



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Sheriff's Report

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someone known to them.

5:55p.m:SuspiciousConditions - 38400 blk, Shotgun Creek Rd. A caller reported people riding dirt bikes and ATV’s in the area.

7:06 p.m: Disorderly Subject - 39400 blk, Mohawk Loop Rd. A caller reported an intoxicated tenant at a residence was damaging property. Deputies made contact and determined no crime had occurred.

Sept. 26: 4:36 a.m: Assist Oregon State Police - McK. Hwy. Mp. 10.

9:54 a.m: Burglary - 91000 blk, Hill Rd.

10:08 a.m: Traffic Hazard - Hill Rd. & Donna Rd.

11:42 a.m: Reckless Endangering - Deerhorn Rd. & McK. Hwy.

5:55 p.m: Suspicious Conditions - 38400 blk, Shotgun Creek Rd.

6:41 p.m: Dead Animal - Upper Camp Creek Rd. Mp. 1.

7:06 p.m: Disorderly Subject - 39400 blk, Mohawk Loop Rd.

8:39 p.m: Attempt To Locate Drunk Driver - Marcola Rd. Mp. 4.

Comments as reported may not be complete or accurate. If further information is required contact the Lane County Sheriffs Office.

- ACROSS
1. Relating to Vatican’s Francis

6. Denouement

9. HVAC tunnel

13. Lesser Antilles destination

14. Big Island necklace

15. Truth without proof

16. Luciano Pavarotti, e.g.

17. Distressing acronym

18. Acrylic fiber

19. *Outing in a wagon

21. *Overnighting outdoors

23. “ ____ Te Ching”

24. RC or Jolt

25. Tax pro

28. Lowest brass instrument

30. *Alfresco meal

35. Kaa’s warning

37. This and that

39. Extended family member

40. “The Sun is ____ a Star”

41. Namely (2 words)

43. “The Parent Trap” child

44. Renter’s paper

46. H. H. Munro’s pseudonym

47. Snaky swimmers

48. Geisha’s garb

50. Kids’ construction block

52. Caustic chemical

53. Display displeasure

55. Blunder

57. *S’more cooker

61. *U-Pick destination

65. Yahoo! message

66. Hyperactivity acronym

68. Relating to hilum

69. To the point

70. Make a pigeon sound

71. Silly

72. Ancient eternal life symbol

73. H in British HMS

74. Socially inept

Solution On Page 6

- DOWN
1. *Promenading route

2. Atlas stat

3. Small and weak

4. Cut short

5. Cowboy’s catcher

6. Additional

7. Opposite of paleo

8. “Xanadu” music genre

9. Village, mostly in South Africa

10. Tangerine plus grapefruit

11. Colloquial “Follow me!”

12. NASA’s orange drink

15. Master’s area

20. Meryl Streep/Philip Seymour Hoffman 2008 movie

22. *Climbing peak

24. Fashion week stage

25. *Sidewalk artist’s medium

26. Mushroom caps

27. Indian black tea

29. Unwelcome reception, pl.

31. Give a quote

32. Handrail post

33. In an unfriendly manner

34. Incense without prefix

36. Comme ci, comme Åa

38. *Nature walk

42. Detroit mascot

45. Store as fodder

49. Not their

51. Lady Slipper, e.g.

54. “Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous” host

56. Horny odd-toed ungulate, for short

57. Between Phi and Kappa

58. Bad luck predictor

59. Police informer

60. *Angling reward

61. O in b.o.

62. Having wings

63. Military status

64. Squirrel’s nest

67. Rudolph’s Clarice, e.g.

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