



Serving the McKenzie River Valley ... And Subscriber Leslie Burwell McDowell of Deerhorn

### Sheriff's reports

Undescribed suspects were seen the previous night attempting to pry open a toolbox at an area business.

**PAGE 3**

### National AG Week

Thanking America's producers of food, fiber, fertilizers and feed who create jobs, fuel our economy, and support healthy diets.

**PAGE 11**



## Dry forests need fires

Of the right intensity - and more than once



Sky Greenler, OSU

Site of a boundary-prescribed burn in 2019.

By Steve Lundeberg  
Oregon State University research into the ability of a wildfire to improve the health of a forest uncovered a Goldilocks effect – unless a blaze falls in a narrow severity range, neither too hot nor too cold, it isn't very good at helping forest landscapes return to their historical, more fire-tolerant conditions.

The study led by Skye Greenler, a graduate research fellow in the OSU College of Forestry, and Chris Dunn, an assistant professor in the college, has important implications for land managers charged with

restoring ecosystems and reducing fire hazards in dry forests such as those east of the Cascade Range.

The findings, published in PLOS One, shed light on the situations in which managed wildfires, as well as post-fire efforts such as thinning and planting, are likely to be most effective at achieving restoration goals.

Wildfire has shaped ecosystems for millennia, the researchers note, but its impacts have become an increasingly social, economic, and ecological concern across the

**Dry forests - Page 9**

## Housing plan gains funds

\$800,000 allocated to Blue River project

BLUERIVER: McKenzie Community Land Trust (MCLT) and DevNW were recently awarded \$800,000 from the Lane County Board of Commissioners to support the development of a 6-unit affordable homeownership project.

For the project, MCLT contracted with the Springfield-based non-profit, DevNW to act as the developer. "DevNW has a proven track record of developing high quality, affordable homes in Lane County and throughout Oregon," according to Lane Tompkins, president of MCLT. He said the group was particularly drawn to DevNW "due to their place as one of Oregon's leaders of utilizing the Community Land Trust Model to provide and maintain affordable housing."

Under the community land trust (CLT) model, homeowners purchase their home outright while leasing the land from the non-profit trust. It also provides an opportunity for public funds to be introduced early on in the development project,

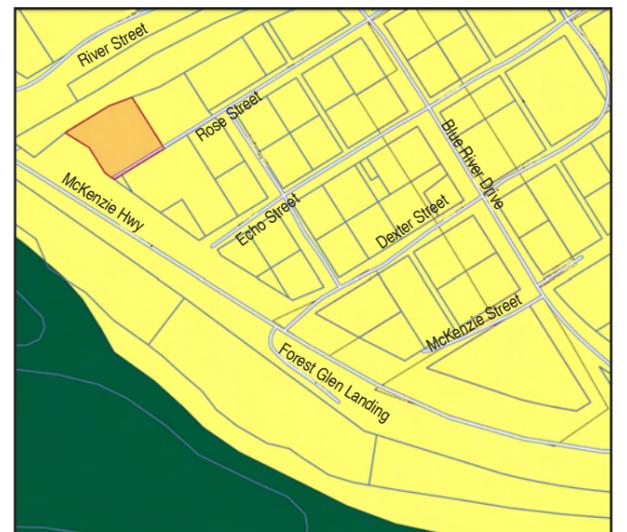
which significantly reduces the home sale cost, making them affordable to individuals earning up to 80% of the area median income. For the 2022 fiscal year, 80% AMI (area medium income) for a family of four is \$63,700.

Tompkins said the homes will have three bedrooms with two bathrooms totaling approximately 1,200 square feet. "It is the hope of MCLT to provide home

ownership options for fire survivors and other community members who may be struggling to find an affordable option," he said, "and for the Rose Street Project to serve as a model for future housing development in the McKenzie River Valley."

The Rose Street Project is sited on close to 2 acres in downtown Blue River

**Housing plan - Page 10**



A half-dozen plots, ranging from 0.08 to 0.66 acres, would be combined into a new affordable housing project located at the end of Rose Street in Blue River.

## \$6.8 million for Hwy. 126 fixes?

ODOT includes two local projects on statewide list

The Oregon Dept. of Transportation (ODOT) is advising people it's time to comment on the list of upcoming transportation projects that make up the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). In particular, officials say they want the public's feedback on two primary issues:

The first involves which plans people support, and which ones they have concerns about.

ODOT is also asking if any of the proposed projects have possible impacts the agency should address.

For the McKenzie River area, two projects are under consideration.

One would extend from Milepost 0 to 13 on the Clear Lake Cutoff and connect with another stretch of Hwy. 20 extending from Milepost 71.5 to 74.5. Because that section of the

road is within a snow zone, engineers say it experiences multiple freezing and thawing periods along with heavy traffic using chains. Both have damaged the road with potholes.

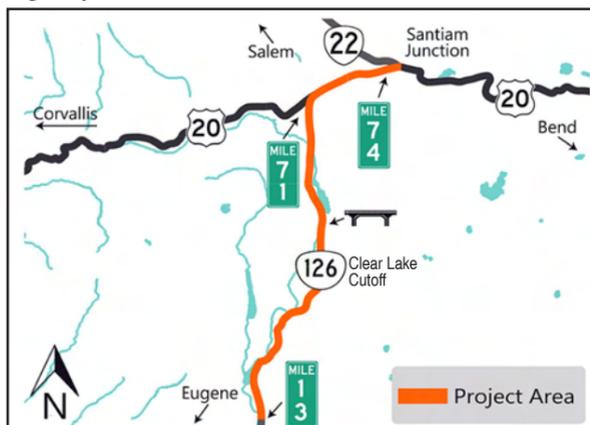
To repair and preserve this section of the road, ODOT plans to grind down and remove the top driving surface and repave the highway. Crews would also

resurface a bridge on Hwy. 126 with a concrete overlay to create a waterproof cover that would help protect the bridge.

With an estimated cost of \$2,389,570, the roadwork there could occur in 2027.

A shorter, but more expensive project is a snow zone on the Clear Lake Cutoff (Hwy. 1216). It extends

**Hwy. 126 fixes - Page 8**



One of the proposed highway improvement projects would involve sections of Hwy. 126 and Hwy. 20.

## New fire station on track

Building opening planned for this November

BLUE RIVER: Contractors, architects, and Upper McKenzie Rural Fire Protection District personnel all stood in the cold mud of a vacant lot on March 6th. They were there to discuss when hammers would actually start to swing in the rebuild of a fire station for Blue River.

After more than three years of effort, excavation is planned to get underway within a few weeks. Plans call for the new fire station to be up and ready by November.

Back in September of 2021, the 51742 Dexter Street lot was purchased for the new station. In December, an architect was selected.

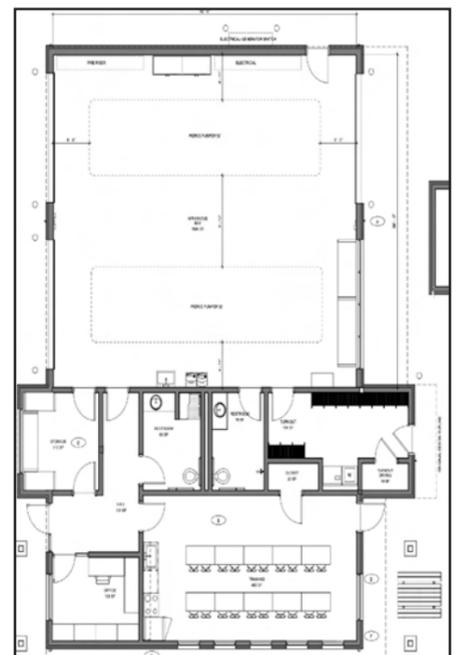
"Months of compromising and designing followed, fitting the district's wishes for a station that would meet all desires with a budget that allowed them to build what they really need," according to Mike Godfrey, president of the UMRFPD board.

In late January a construction contract was awarded to the low bidder, Bridgeway Construction from Lowell, for \$1,886,826.

The new station will cover 2,669 square feet, with two full-size engine bays, a training room, a locker room, bathrooms, and some storage space.

"While the building construction is going on, the Chief and volunteers will be busy

procuring a new fire engine to replace the one burned in the fire and the hundreds of pieces of equipment needed for a fire station and to equip a fire truck," Godfrey said.



At over 2,500 square feet Blue River's new fire station would replace the building that burned in the 2020 Holiday Farm Fire.

**Guest Opinion**

# Should 16-year-olds be able to vote?

For Devon Lawson-McCourt the answer is yes. He's the sophomore class president at the McKenzie River Community School who strongly supports three bills up for consideration by Oregon legislators.

**House Joint Resolution 20:** "I believe that every citizen, should have the opportunity to shape the future of our community through their vote. By allowing 16 and 17-year-olds to participate in elections, we can encourage our youth to become more engaged in the political process and to take an active role in shaping the decisions that will impact their lives. I am the Legislative Advocate and writer of HJR 20 and am working directly with State Rep. Hoa Nguyen on this bill. Below you can find a PDF copy of the testimony I provided to the House Rules Committee about HJR 20 on Feb. 21st."

**House Bill 3206:** It is essential that young people have a say in decisions that directly affect their education and their future. High school students are not just passive recipients of education but active participants who have unique insights and perspectives on the challenges and opportunities facing their schools. Allowing 16 and 17-year-olds to vote in school board elections will help ensure that their voices are heard and that their concerns are taken seriously. It will also encourage young people to engage more actively in civic life and foster a sense of ownership and responsibility in their schools and communities. If HJR 20 does not pass, I will be working with Rep. Ben Bowman and dedicating my time to this bill.

**House Bill 2004:** "I wholeheartedly support Oregon House Bill 2004, which introduces ranked choice voting as a

procedure for choosing election winners. Using ranked choice voting, voters can rank candidates according to their preferences, ensuring that the winner will have the support of the majority of voters. This is a big improvement for democracy in Oregon since it fosters greater electoral involvement and participation, diversity of candidates and viewpoints, and the removal of the "spoiler effect" that can occur in traditional voting systems. I thank the Oregon legislature for taking this crucial step toward improving the representation of popular will in our elections, and I eagerly anticipate the great effects it will have."

**House Bill 2107:** "This bill is a critical step in ensuring that everyone can participate in and benefit from our democracy. We can help make sure that more people have a voice in our government and the decisions that have an impact on their lives by automatically registering eligible voters who engage with the Oregon Health Authority. This is crucial for disadvantaged minorities who could have obstacles getting to the ballot box."

**Senate Bill 579:** "This bill is a crucial step towards ensuring that everyone, regardless of their past mistakes, has access to their fundamental right to vote. Denying individuals who have been incarcerated the right to vote perpetuates systemic inequalities and unfairly disenfranchises a significant portion of our population. By granting incarcerated individuals the right to vote, we are not only promoting a more just and equitable society, but we are also empowering individuals to participate in the democratic process and make their voices heard."



## Wellness group calls for new members

Local nonprofit McKenzie Valley Wellness is encouraging people to join if they haven't already. Anyone over 18 can for only \$10 a year. Everyone who is a member by April 1st will be able to vote in the upcoming election of board directors at the annual membership meeting set for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 2nd, at the Upper McKenzie Community Center.

Existing members don't need to do anything right now. MVW president Val Rapp says, "We had lots of new members join last summer, and they are all still members in 2023." People who aren't sure about their current membership status or have other questions can email [contact@mckenzievalley-wellness.org](mailto:contact@mckenzievalley-wellness.org). Membership forms are available on many local bulletin boards in the McKenzie Valley or write to the email above. Completed forms, along with a \$10 membership fee, should be sent to MVW, PO Box 381, Blue River, OR 97413.

At the annual membership meeting on May 2nd, the MVW Board will share the updates on their new health and wellness building. They are working with Wilson Architecture to design the new health clinic that will be built in Blue River, right across from the post office. "We plan to start construction in late summer this

year," Rapp said.

While McKenzie Valley Wellness has been focused on getting its new clinic underway, the nonprofit has also been exploring what it can do in the coming months, without a building for programs. "We are exploring possible partnerships with other local groups," according to Rapp.



Turnout was good at last year's MVW annual meeting.

### McKenzie Eagles Sports Report



By Cliff Richardson

#### McKenzie Varsity Sports Schedule This Week

The McKenzie Varsity Track and Field teams will co-host and compete in the McKenzie HS Ice Breaker meet, this Thursday, March 16. The meet will be held at the Aaron and Marie Jones Community Track with Field events starting at 3:00 pm and Track events at 4:00 pm.

#### McKenzie Track Season Begins!

McKenzie Varsity Boys and

Girls Track season 2023 starts at home with the McKenzie HS Ice Breaker meet, this Thursday, March 16. The Eagles are co-hosting the annual event with McKenzie Community Track and Field at MCTF's Aaron and Marie Jones Community Track venue, just East of McKenzie High School, on Blue River Drive. Nine teams are currently signed up to participate. Class 3A Pleasant Hill, La Pine, Harrisburg, and Creswell, Class 2A Lowell and Oakridge and Class 1A Mapleton, Triangle Lake, and McKenzie round out the field.

An added plus to the fine class of competing teams will be the weather, which is predicted to be mostly sunny and mild, with temperatures reaching a high of 54 degrees. Not a bad day for a track meet and a chance to warm your face in the sun!

## Letters to the Editor



[rivref2@gmail.com](mailto:rivref2@gmail.com)



**McKenzie River Reflections**



Phone (541) 822-3358 FAX (541) 663-4550  
MAILING ADDRESS: 59059 Old McKenzie Hwy.  
McKenzie Bridge, Oregon 97413  
[rivref2@gmail.com](mailto:rivref2@gmail.com)  
Publisher - Ken Engelman

To subscribe go to: [tinyurl.com/2vf5caa6](https://tinyurl.com/2vf5caa6)

© 2023 McKENZIE RIVER REFLECTIONS

All rights to reproduce the contents of this newspaper, including advertising copy, is reserved by McKenzie River Reflections.

## WEATHER REPORT

READINGS TAKEN AT THE US ARMY CORPS COUGAR DAM

READINGS TAKEN AT THE EWEB LEABURG POWERHOUSE

Date	High	Low	Rain	Releases	Date	High	Low	Rain	Riverflow
3/7	44	31	0.08	483 cfs	3/7	51	33	0.10	2,700 cfs
3/8	40	32	0.12	477 cfs	3/8	50	32	0.36	2,720 cfs
3/9	39	32	0.49	NA	3/9	41	35	0.10	2,220 cfs
3/10	39	32	0.49	785 cfs	3/10	47	35	0.10	2,720 cfs
3/11	51	33	0.06	676 cfs	3/11	44	34	0.36	3,530 cfs
3/12	44	31	0.31	761 cfs	3/12	56	33	0.03	3,550 cfs
3/13	44	33	0.87	842 cfs	3/13	51	39	0.62	3,930 cfs

Friday 3/17		Saturday 3/18		Sunday 3/19	
McKenzie Valley Cloudy 20% chance precip High: 56 Low: 41	Santiam Pass Mostly Cloudy 20% chance precip High: 41 Low: 28	McKenzie Valley PM Showers 50% chance precip High: 58 Low: 42	Santiam Pass Rain/Snow 60% chance precip High: 41 Low: 29	McKenzie Valley Showers 50% chance precip High: 55 Low: 39	Santiam Pass Snow Showers 50% chance precip High: 39 Low: 28

# Sheriff's Report

**March 26: 6:31 p.m:** Suspicious Subject - Marcola Rd. Milepost 4. Three people were reported to be trying to flag down traffic.

**March 27: 3:58 p.m:** Suspicious Conditions - 50200 blk, McK. Hwy. A caller reported seeing information on Facebook about someone being trafficked in the U.S. Deputies investigated and the Facebook post appears to be a scam.

**5:43 p.m:** Assault - 38700 blk, Natures Garden St. An out of control juvenile assaulted family members. The juvenile was taken into custody and lodged at Lane County Youth Services.

**Feb. 28: 5:58 p.m:** Dispute - 89800 block, Greenwood Dr.

**6:59 a.m:** Suspicious Vehicle - 37700 blk, Upper Camp Creek Rd. An out of place white Chevy sedan was seen parked near the caller's place of employment.

**March 1: 12:03 p.m:** Suspicious

Conditions - 42800 blk, McK. Hwy. Undescribed suspects were seen the previous night attempting to pry open a toolbox at an area business. They were reported to have arrived in two trucks with green lights underneath them.

**2:12 p.m:** Information - 45100 blk, McK. Hwy.

**3:02 p.m:** Civil Standby - 38500 blk, E. Cedar Flat Rd.

**4:57 p.m:** Assist Outside Agency. Lat: 44.20671. Long: 122.9884.

**4:20 p.m:** Alarm - 41900 blk, McK. Hwy.

**4:52 p.m:** Foot Patrol - McK. Hwy. & Deerhorn Rd.

**March 2: 12:01 p.m:** Civil Standby - 38500 blk, E. Cedar Flat Rd.

**1:08 p.m:** Citizen Contact - 45600 blk, McK. Hwy.

**3:33 p.m:** Violation of Restraining Order - 45100 blk, McK. Hwy.

**6:27 p.m:** Citizen Contact - 87500 blk, Cedar Flat Rd.

**March 3: 8:47 a.m:** Elder Abuse - 91400 blk, Donna Rd.

**12:18 p.m:** Dispute - 90800 blk, Angels Flight Rd.

**2:13 p.m:** Violation of Restraining Order - 45100 blk, McK. Hwy.

**4:00 p.m:** Assist, Follow Up - 56600 blk, McK. Hwy.

**7:16 p.m:** Burglary - 87900 blk, Dowdy Ln.

**11:12 p.m:** Suspicious Conditions - 45100 blk, McK. Hwy.

**March 4: 8:11 a.m:** Harassment - 93300 blk, Marcola Rd.

**1:18 p.m:** Disabled Vehicle - McGowan overlook.

**1:33 p.m:** Civil Problem - 93100 blk, Marcola Rd.

**2:20 p.m:** Vehicle Stop - McGowan Quarry.

**2:20 p.m:** Disabled Vehicle - McGowan Quarry.

**3:49 p.m:** Burglary - 92200 blk, School House St. Caller reported that there are ongoing problems and thefts from the caller's property.

**March 5: 4:54 p.m:** Animal Abuse - 44100 blk, McK. Hwy.

**5:19 p.m:** Dispute - 44100 blk, McK. Hwy. A caller reported a dispute between a roommate and the caller's son. Investigation revealed no evidence of a crime.

**5:58 p.m:** Shots Fired - 40600 blk, Mohawk River Rd.

**March 6: 3:14 p.m:** Civil Problem - 45900 blk, N. Gate Creek Rd.

**March 7: 4:27 a.m:** Traffic Hazard - 36400 blk, Camp Creek Rd.

Rd. **12:37 p.m:** Civil Service - 95600 blk, Marcola Rd.

**March 8: 4:01 a.m:** Disturbance, Dispute - Marcola Rd. & Skyhigh Dr. A log truck driver reported that the driver of a gray jeep tried running him off of the road. The jeep pulled in front of the log truck and a collision happened. The jeep left the scene prior to deputies arriving.

**4:35 a.m:** Disturbance, Dispute - 37300 blk, Parsons Creek Rd. A

**Continued On Page 5**

# State Police Report

**March 9: 15:31:** Traffic Crimes, All except DUII - Marcola Rd. Milepost 12. Troopers stopped the driver of a Honda Civic for switched plates. The driver was felony suspended, had a serviceable warrant for his arrest, and the Honda was stolen. The driver was taken into custody without incident and subsequently transported to Lane County Adult Corrections where he was lodged. The vehicle was towed for safekeeping. Involved: turquoise Honda Civic owned by a 75-year-old Eugene man, 26-year-old male from Sweet Home. Charges: Driving While Suspended or Revoked Felony, Possession of Stolen Vehicle, DWS - Misdemeanor.

# McKenzie Fire & Rescue

**March 6: 3:37:** 45000 block, N. Gate Creek Rd. Public Assist. Lift Assist.

**March 7: 19:35:** 37000 blk, Upper Camp Creek Rd. Motor Vehicle Accident. Non-Injury/Non-Blocking.

**20:19:** 50000 blk, McK. Hwy. Medical, General. Patient Assessed, Refusal Signed.

**22:55:** 49000 blk, McK. Hwy. Medical, General. 22:55 Patient Assessed, Refusal Signed.

**March 8: 6:24:** 40000 blk, McK. Hwy. Public Assist. Lift

**Continued On Page 10**

# Upper McKenzie Fire/Rescue

**March 1: 07:12:** Motor Vehicle Accident, No Injuries - Aufderheide Dr./Milepost 54. Vehicle slid off the road, is stuck against a canyon wall, No injuries, everyone was able to get out.

**March 4: 09:17:** Medical - 51000 block, Blue River Dr. Male, Conscious, Breathing.

The Upper McK. Fire District board of directors will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, at the McK. Fire Station, 56578 McK. Hwy. in McKenzie Bridge.



Explore a treasure trove of McKenzie River history - in the back issues of this newspaper. Go to: [tinyurl.com/2rkpkxen](http://tinyurl.com/2rkpkxen)

2022 August 11 Vol. 44, Issue 52 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 August 4 Vol. 44, Issue 51 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 July 28 Vol. 44, Issue 50 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 July 21 Vol. 44, Issue 49 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 July 14 Vol. 44, Issue 48 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 July 7 Vol. 44, Issue 47 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>
2022 June 30 Vol. 44, Issue 46 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 June 23 Vol. 44, Issue 45 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 June 9 Vol. 44, Issue 43 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 June 2 Vol. 44, Issue 42 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 May 26 Vol. 44, Issue 41 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 May 19 Vol. 44, Issue 40 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>
2022 May 12 Vol. 44, Issue 39 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 May 5 Vol. 44, Issue 38 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 April 28 Vol. 44, Issue 37 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 April 21 Vol. 44, Issue 36 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 April 14 Vol. 44, Issue 35 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 April 7 Vol. 44, Issue 34 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>
2022 March 31 Vol. 44, Issue 33 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 March 24 Vol. 44, Issue 32 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 March 17 Vol. 44, Issue 31 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 March 10 Vol. 44, Issue 30 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 March 3 Vol. 44, Issue 29 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 February 2 Vol. 44, Issue 28 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>
2022 February 17 Vol. 44, Issue 27 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 February 10 Vol. 44, Issue 26 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 February 3 Vol. 44, Issue 25 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 January 27 Vol. 44, Issue 24 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 January 20 Vol. 44, Issue 23 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2022 January 11 Vol. 44, Issue 22 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>
January 6, 2021 Vol. 44, Issue 21 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2021 December 16 Vol. 44, Issue 18 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2021 December 9 Vol. 44, Issue 17 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2021 December 2 Vol. 44, Issue 16 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2021 November 25 Vol. 44, Issue 15 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>	2021 November 1 Vol. 44, Issue 14 \$1.00 <a href="#">Add to cart</a>

**MOVE TO A PLACE THAT MOVES YOU**



McKenzie River Specialist  
Exceeding Expectations  
**Nadine Scott, broker**  
Top Producer at  
Windermere Real Estate since 2010\*  
**541-915-0807**  
[nadine@windermere.com](mailto:nadine@windermere.com)  
[nadinescott.com](http://nadinescott.com)

  
\* based on Windermere's annual Top Producers List



**Forest Creek Household Solutions**  
Maintenance Repairs Management  
OR CCB# 244901 Licensed-Bonded-Insured  
**541-581-0160**  
[forestcreekhouseholdsolutions.com](http://forestcreekhouseholdsolutions.com)





**JUDY CASAD**  
REAL ESTATE



**541-968-2400**  
Windermere Real Estate | Lane County



[WillhiteRE@gmail.com](mailto:WillhiteRE@gmail.com)  
[www.McKenzieHomes.com](http://www.McKenzieHomes.com)

**Thinking of buying or selling? We can help!**

We have over 30 years experience specializing in McKenzie Real Estate. Contact us for a professional no-obligation market analysis, or for assistance with all your real estate needs.



**Deborah Willhite**  
Principal Broker / Licensed in State of Oregon  
**541-912-1523**



**Austin Willhite**  
Broker / Licensed in State of Oregon  
**541-954-8202**



Want to sell your home for top dollar?  
Ask me how!

**Kelly Gustafson, BROKER**  
541.799.4398 Direct | [KellyG@bhhsnwrep.com](mailto:KellyG@bhhsnwrep.com)

©2022 BHHS, LLC. An independently operated subsidiary of HomeServices of America, Inc., a Berkshire Hathaway affiliate, and a member of BHI Affiliates, LLC. Berkshire Hathaway Home Services and the Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices logo are registered service marks of HomeServices of America, Inc. \* Equal Housing Opportunity




**Keep in Touch**  
- Weekly -  
Subscribe to  
the McKenzie's  
own newspaper  
[tinyurl.com/2vf5caa6](http://tinyurl.com/2vf5caa6)



# Body-snatchers planned to ransom ex-mayor's corpse

Continued From Last Week

By Finn J.D. John

"It is very clear that the purpose of the robbers is to conceal the remains, in the hopes that a reward will ultimately be offered for them," the Portland Morning Oregonian's reporter wrote, in the next day's edition. "They are undoubtedly men who are aware of the wealth of the heirs of the man whose remains they have stolen. There is no doubt that they are men of experience, for there is every evidence of a thoroughly matured plan to carry out the crime. The fact that the headboard and one shoe were taken points to the intention of the thieves to use these as means of proving that they are in possession of the remains, and, as soon as the search for them somewhat abates, some member of the Ladd family will probably receive one or the other of these as a ghastly reminder that the men who have the body of the dead millionaire are still within call, and are only waiting for a reward to return it to the grave."

All of which was true, in every particular, with the sole exception of the "men of experience" part, as would become painfully obvious within a matter of hours.

The whole scheme started to unravel right away. Detectives had taken a particular interest in that hay knife, and one of them had recognized the workmanship as being similar to the work of a blacksmith he knew in Lake Oswego. So the flatfoots lugged it over to his place, to see if he recognized it.

He sure did, he told them. He'd forged it to order for a farmer with a place down by the river, a man named — you guessed it: Daniel Magone.

Meanwhile, State Sen. George Brownell of Oregon City had been reading about the outrage in the morning papers, and it was reminding him of a very strange conversation he'd had a month earlier with a constituent. The constituent was asking him whether he thought Mr. Ladd's grave should be connected with electric wires, you know, for a sort of burglar alarm to protect it



Dan J. Magone.

A mugshot drawing of body-snatcher gang leader Daniel Magone.

from grave robbers. The question had seemed silly at the time, but on the morning of May 18, after reading the article in the Oregonian, suddenly it didn't anymore. Brownell picked up his telephone and called the police. The constituent, he told them, was a young man named — uh-huh, that's right: Charles Montgomery.

Detectives were on their way to have a word with both men just a few hours later.

Magone, as befitted the ringleader of such a gang, was silent as the very grave and would not tell the cops a thing. But Montgomery, who, although already somewhat hard-boiled, was still young, cracked under questioning and copped to the rap. He then led the cops to the spot by the riverbank where he and Magone, with their hired helpers Rector and Long, had cached their, uh, prize.

Then he spilled the beans, very thoroughly.

This is the story that came out: Daniel Magone, at the time of Ladd's death, had been a wealthy

Oregonian

and respected citizen. He had a valuable piece of farmland on the banks of the Willamette about a mile and a half downstream from Oregon City, which he'd inherited from his father; a beautiful wife named Henrietta; and an adorable young daughter. Life was good.

Until suddenly it wasn't. The depression is known as the "Panic of 1893" caught Magone at the worst possible time and he found himself unable to make his mortgage payments, and he lost his farm.

And then, two years into the depression, he lost his daughter, who drowned in the river before his eyes as he struggled to reach her and save her.

This double blow seems to have sent Magone over the edge. He took to muttering darkly about how the fix was in, the rich were getting richer, and the big-spending elites needed to be made to pay. Many people of his neighbors started avoiding him.

One who did not was Charles Montgomery. "Charlie," 22, was a much younger man than Magone, who was in his 40s. But Montgomery was also probably just a little cracked, as evidenced by the murder charges. In any case, the two men became regular drinking buddies.

One day after the two of them

had had supper together, Magone asked Montgomery to come out for a short walk with him. They strolled halfway across the Madison Street Bridge, and then, in the middle of the river, Magone stopped and took hold of Montgomery's coat.

"These are desperate, hard times, Charlie," he said, according to Montgomery's confession. "I don't know how we are going to get along, getting poorer all the time. I think if I can't get ahead some other way pretty soon I'll go out to the cemetery and dig up Ladd's bones. I guess they'd give me something handsome to get them back. What do you think about it?"

Montgomery did not at first think Magone was serious. But, over the following months, he learned that yes, he was. And although Montgomery did not at first want to get involved, the thought of the fabulous riches they could shake the Ladds down for finally brought him around. The sum Magone had in mind was \$50,000, which would be worth \$1.8 million in modern money.

So, Magone got everything ready. He stole the telephone from the train station and hid it near the graveyard, ready for use. He found a pair of laborers hungry enough to take on resurrection work — Rector and Long — telling them the corpses were those of paupers who were being exhumed to sell to the medical college as cadavers, and promising them each \$50 for the night's work — the equivalent of about \$1,800 in modern currency.

Then came that supper at the Rheinpfalz, and that memorable stealthy trip to the graveyard, shovels in hand.

Before getting started, the resurrection gang slipped up to the Ladd home, which was adjacent to River View cemetery — William Ladd had actually been one of the cemetery's founders. There, Montgomery tapped the phone line out of the Ladd house, attaching it to the stolen telephone, so that he would know if an alarm were given.

Then, leaving Montgomery there to listen on the phone, the other three went to the grave.

"Magone's first work was to stoop over the grave, and slash about its borders with a hay



By Slim Randles

Herb graciously spread his right arm around the table, indicating to Loretta that all his friends needed their coffee cups topped off. She would've done it anyway, of course, but this made him look ... generous.

"I've been reading up," said Herb Collins, who had retired from his pawn shop but not from reading up, "and I learned a thing or two."

We settled back, in what we considered a learned and curious pose. We probably weren't, though.

For the more forward-looking members of the World Dilemma Think Tank at the Mule Barn coffee shop, learning from Herb's habit of reading up sometimes was entertaining, if not always educational.

"How many of you fellas ever heard of Babe Ruth?" We all raised our hands.

"Now how many of you fellas ever heard of Carl Ditters von Dittersdorff?"

There was a paucity of paws in the air.

"He was born way-back sometime in a suburb of Vienna, and started out life as Johann Carl Ditters. But through the years, and because his compositions needed publicity, and his friends didn't think his name was impressive enough, he coagulated his name into what it now says on the billboard at the opera house."

"And you read up on this by yourself?"

"Sure did, Doc. Now ol' Carl made a bunch of friends who were musical and had weird names, too. Used to hang around with Christof Willibald Gluck. Name like that, you'd have to partner up with someone who could handle himself in a dark alley. So there's my theory in a nutshell guys. If you were a German or a fake German living in a close by, but not yet German country, and your name was too common for people to remember, you either had to give them a name they couldn't forget ... or go start a war."

And some folks just watch teevee...

Free sheet music from the ol' Ditters himself! If you can play this, you're better than most mental patients. [https://imslp.org/wiki/Andante\\_cantabile\\_\(Dittersdorff%2C\\_Carl\\_Ditters\\_von\)](https://imslp.org/wiki/Andante_cantabile_(Dittersdorff%2C_Carl_Ditters_von))

**NEW: Long Sleeve T.**

McKenzieRiverGiftShop.com  
541 726-1817

**SOS SEPTIC PUMPING**  
541-972-6622  
SDS#39603 DOT#4004025  
We guarantee fast & friendly service to all our customers throughout the McKenzie Valley and surrounding areas

**FREE INTERNET**  
Qualify today for the Government Free Internet Program

YOU QUALIFY for Free Internet if you receive Housing Assistance, Medicaid, SNAP, WIC, Veterans Pension, Survivor Benefits, Lifeline and Tribal.

**maxsip**  
CONNECTS

**CALL TODAY (844) 950-0003**

Bonus offer: 4G Android Tablet with one time co-pay of \$20  
ACP program details can be found at [www.fcc.gov/affordable-connectivity-program-consumer-faq](http://www.fcc.gov/affordable-connectivity-program-consumer-faq)

**THE GUEST HOUSE**  
AT  
**AQUA GARDENS VILLA**  
Now Booking!  
McKENZIE BRIDGE, OREGON  
[WWW.AQUAGARDENVILLA.COM](http://WWW.AQUAGARDENVILLA.COM)  
541-687-0036

**MVP**  
**McKenzie Valley Pump**

Complete Well Pump Systems  
Submersible & Jet Pumps • Pressure & Holding Tanks  
New Installations • Service & Repair  
Water Filtration Systems

**541-896-0453**  
**Water Systems & Filtration**

Commitment to Excellence  
www.mckenzievalleypump.com

CCB #50234

**rivref2@**  
**gmail.com**  
**541-822-3358**

Ex-mayor's corpse - Page 9



## Gardening Tips

By Kym Pokorny



**Oregon State University**

OSU Extension Service

### What to do in the garden in March



By Curt Kipp  
Spring arrives in March, and that's when the gardening season really takes off!  
You might not be at a loss for what to do. But if you are, our friends at Oregon State University Extension Service have their March garden calendar, which is full of ideas.  
Here are some:  
\* Plan your vegetable garden.  
\* Check soil temperature to know when you can plant veggies. Some cool-season crops can be planted now, provided the soil is consistently above 40 degrees

Fahrenheit.  
\* It's time to start mowing the lawn!  
\* Compost clippings and yard waste (but do not compost lawn clippings if weed-and-feed)  
\* Spread compost over garden and landscape areas.  
\* Fertilize evergreen shrubs and trees, if needed.  
\* Fertilize rhodies, camellias, and azaleas with acid-type fertilizer.  
\* Protect new plant growth from slugs. The least toxic management techniques include barriers and traps. With baits, one has to be

cautious around pets.  
Another thing you can do in March is plant early-season crops, meaning herbs and vegetables. However, not all will do well this time of year. It's necessary to know what can survive being planted this early in the season. Portland Nursery's helpful Veggie Calendar (PDF) has you covered! The guide even has info on how far apart to space everything.  
The things you can seed outdoors in March include arugula, Asian greens, asparagus, chard, cilantro, choy, fava beans, garlic (cloves), kale, mustard greens, peas, potatoes (tubers), scallions, and spinach.  
Meanwhile, it's too early to plant a number of things outside, including broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, celeriac, celery, eggplant, leeks, lettuce, peppers, scallions, tomatoes, or tomatillos. However, you can seed any of these indoors right now, and transplant them outside later.  
If you're going for starts rather than seeds, then artichokes, arugula, Asian greens, broccoli, early cabbage, chard, choy, cilantro, green onions, kale, lettuce, mustard greens, onions, peas, salad greens, and spinach are all viable options. Many of our local garden centers offer a good selection of veggie starts

*Curt Kipp is the director of publications and communications at the Oregon Association of Nurseries.*



## Country Kitchen

By Mary Emma Allen



### DEFINING MOMENTS OF LIFE

I was once asked, "What defining moment influenced your writing career?"  
What influenced me to become a published writer? To write "Country Kitchen?" I'd always wanted to be a writer. Whether it was because my mom's father was one or whether it was innate in me, I don't know. Although I've had a number of careers (author, quilt maker, teacher, wife/mom/grandmother), they all seem interwoven with my desire to be a writer.  
Although Mother advised me become a teacher ("Writers don't make enough money to live on"), she encouraged me with my writing.  
Father's Influence

My dad never said much about it. However, during my first year of marriage, after I graduated from college, he showed me an ad for a correspondence course in journalism.  
"I think you should take this course," he said.  
I read it, then replied, "But we don't have the money." Jim and I were living on a very short shoestring while he finished college and the \$10 per month (in 1960) just wasn't in our budget.

"I'll help until you can pick up the payments," Father said.  
For the next two years I worked at that class while we moved across the country with Jim's Air Force career. I also picked up the payments. When I received my certificate, I wondered what I'd do with this knowledge.  
Journalism wasn't the writing career I'd envisioned when I originally thought of being a writer. I dreamed of a career as a children's author, especially after I'd taken a class in children's literature at college and my professor encouraged me.

Mother's Suggestion  
I had been writing my mom about the various foods we were experiencing in Texas, where Jim was stationed for pilot training,

and even sent her some recipes. Then Mother called, saying she'd recommended me to a publisher, who was starting a weekly newspaper in my hometown and looking for a cooking columnist. So I began writing my Country Kitchen column for him.

That was the beginning of a career in journalism as a columnist, reporter, editor, freelance writer, and eventually blogger. I also have become a children's writer as a result of my dad urging me to take another correspondence course. More than 200 published children's stories resulted and the book, Tales of Adventure & Discovery.

What are defining moments? You usually don't recognize them at the time. However, they start a career, set us on another path, get us thinking of new dreams and goals or help us achieve the ones we've always had.

Looking back, I realize these two defining moments...Father suggesting I take a journalism class and Mother learning about the country weekly, set me on my way. They resulted in my writing career as a published writer and years of enjoyment as a Country Kitchen columnist, as I share cooking, memories, family activities and homespun philosophy with my readers.

**AND RECIPES**  
DILL WEED DIP can accompany fresh vegetable platters for summer barbecues and other meals. You may want to try it with chips, too.

Mix together about 6 to 8 hours before serving time or overnight and refrigerate: 1/2 pint sour cream, 1 tablespoon dry dill weed, 2/3 cup salad dressing, 1 tablespoon minced onion. Add a dash of seasoned salt, if desired.

(You can use low fat sour cream and salad dressing for fewer calories.)  
(c) Mary Emma Allen

*(Mary Emma Allen writes from her NH home where today a big snowstorm is predicted. E-mail: me.allen@juno.com)*

## Sheriff's Report

**Continued From Page 3**

caller vaguely reported that there was a dispute then disconnected. Deputies responded and were unable to locate a dispute.  
**2:13 p.m:** Assist Motorist - 38800 blk, McK. Hwy.  
**3:35 p.m:** Suspicious Conditions - 37300 blk, Parsons Creek Rd.  
**3:56 p.m:** Theft - 42800 blk, McK. Hwy. An owner of an area business reported that a juvenile attempted to steal a drink. The juvenile put the drink back and the caller requested the incident be documented.  
**5:38 p.m:** Vehicle Stop - McK. Hwy. Milepost 27.  
**6:04 p.m:** Assist, Follow Up -

51100 blk, McK. Hwy.  
**7:08 p.m:** Assist, Follow Up - 91800 blk, Mill Creek Rd.  
**March 9: 1:15 a.m:** Stranded Vehicle - Lat: 44.1121. Long: - 122.2398.  
**12:59 p.m:** Vehicle Stop - McK. Hwy. Mp. 27.  
**1:13 p.m:** Vehicle Stop - McK. Hwy. Mp. 27.  
**1:54 p.m:** Assist, Follow Up - 39500 blk, Howard Rd.  
**2:39 p.m:** Restraining Order Service - 92600 blk, Marcola Rd.  
**2:49 p.m:** Suspicious Vehicle - Marcola Rd. & Shotgun Creek Rd.  
**2:50 p.m:** Coercion - 91000 blk, Marcola Rd.  
**March 10: 5:12 p.m:** Violation of Restraining Order - 87500 blk, Cedar Flat Rd.  
**March 11: 4:18 a.m:** Assist, Follow Up - 91100 blk, Marcola Rd.  
**5:28 a.m:** Suspicious Condi-

tions - 37700 blk, Camp Creek Rd.  
**9:46 a.m:** Subpoena Service - 45500 blk, McK. Hwy.  
**12:16 p.m:** Assist, Follow Up - 87500 blk, Cedar Flat Rd.  
**3:02 p.m:** Illegal Dump - 46500 blk, N. Gate Creek Rd.  
**March 12: 2:59 p.m:** Violation of Restraining Order - 45100 blk, McK. Hwy.  
**March 13: 1:10 p.m:** Suspicious Conditions - 42000 blk, Holden Creek Ln.

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

**Professional & Courteous Family Owned & Operated Funeral Home Since 1961**




- Serving Families with Dignity & Grace
- Large Chapel with Reception Room
- Personalized Brochures with Photos
- Details Such as Social Security & Legal Documents
- Out of Town Arrangements
- Special Attention to Veterans
- Services to ALL Cemeteries
- Advance Planning

~ Pre-Plan with ~

**Major Family FUNERAL HOME**

**541 746-9667 112 A St. Springfield**

[www.MajorFamilyFuneralHome.com](http://www.MajorFamilyFuneralHome.com)

**THE LEABURG STORE**

Fishing Tackle, Camping Supplies  
Firewood, Cold Beverages, Ice  
\* Hot Breakfast to Go \*  
° Great Variety of Oregon Craft Beers  
"Mix your own 6"  
Kombucha ° CBD Drinks

MP 20 McK. Hwy. **(541) 896-0500**

Need to talk?

Call 988



## IMAGINE

your community without a local NEWSPAPER

**A scary thought.** No more timely articles about local politics or high school sports. No more trusted coverage about local businesses and community events. No more local entertainment news. Plus, all the other relevant information that your local newspaper delivers.

**Your local newspaper** needs your support. In print... subscribe to it, read it, pass it along. In digital formats... download it, comment on it, forward it. Own a local business? Advertise. It's the best investment you can make - for your business and your community.



## McKenzie River Reflections



**Now's the Right Time**

Take advantage of the new 30% Solar Investment Tax Credit (ITC) with PWRcell, Generac's fully-integrated solar + battery storage system. PWRcell will help you save money on your electric bill and be prepared for utility power outages. Plus it's compatible with most existing solar arrays.

**SAVE 30%**

WITH THE SOLAR TAX CREDIT\*

Call to request a free quote!  
**(866) 752-0539**



\*Consult your tax or legal professional for information regarding eligibility requirements for tax credits.  
Solar panels sold separately.

# SUPPORT LOCAL NEWS

SUBSCRIBE. DONATE. ADVERTISE.

# Community Notes

## March 16 McK Chamber

The McKenzie River Chamber of Commerce board will meet from 10 to 11 a.m. via Zoom. To sign up for a link to the meeting, go to: info@McKenzieChamber.com.

## March 16 Leaburg Food Pantry

Leaburg Food Pantry. Free groceries provided in accordance with Oregon Food Bank and Food For Lane County guidelines for food distribution to those in need. 3 - 6 p.m. Behind the McKenzie Bible Fellowship Church, 45061 McKenzie Hwy.

## March 16 The Icebreaker

First meet of the season at the McKenzie Community Track & Field, 51326 Blue River Drive. Come out and support local youth as they compete.

## March 18 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.

## March 18 Blue River Drive Design

A community meeting to discuss design concept for Blue River Drive will be held on Saturday, March 18th, from 1 to 3 p.m. in the old gym at McKenzie High School. Besides concerns about development setback and parking requirements limiting rebuilding efforts in downtown Blue River, the project was expanded to include the lack of safe walking space and steep ditches west of the bridge. Lane County will be developing some design alternatives to then share back with the community later this spring. For more information, contact Becky Taylor, Senior Transportation Planner. Email: becky.taylor@lanecounty-or.gov Phone: 541-682-6932.

## March 18 Living River Day

Join the McKenzie River Trust and take a walk near the place the Willamette and the McKenzie

Rivers meet. Observe 15 years of tree-planting work on Green Island, a habitat for beaver, river otter, and over 150 species of birds. If you're looking for a special place to connect to nature this year, join in the fun on the second Saturdays, March through December.

## March 20 Godpasture Ramp Closure

From approx. 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. the Eugene Water & Electric Board will be using an excavator to clear silt from the boat ramp to ease access issues. The work is expected to take a half day. The boat ramp will be closed to accommodate work. EWEB has secured all necessary permits required for in-water work. Utility biologists will isolate the work area with seine nets to exclude fish before work begins. The team will have spill response materials ready and will monitor for turbidity.

## March 20 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.

## March 20 Springfield School Board

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

## April 1 Saturday Market

The McKenzie River Open Market will host the Walterville Saturday Market from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 39841 McK. Hwy. featuring handcrafted items from local vendors. Call Tina Matula at 541-220-6137 for more information.

## April 4 Public Safety Levy

Lane County Sheriff Cliff Harold will discuss Measure 20-340, which would continue funding for a levy previously passed in 2013 - and renewed in 2017 for the Lane County Sheriff's Office. The levy will provide funding for 52 percent of jail operations and would continue the current tax rate of \$0.55

per \$1,000 of assessed value. For the median Lane County homeowner, that amounts to an average of \$9.80 per month for five years. There are currently 367 beds in the Lane County Jail, which also provides services for people with mental health and substance abuse issues. Levy funding provides 8 of 16 youth detention beds and 8 of 15 youth treatment beds. The meeting will be held at the Walterville Community Center located at 39259 Camp Creek Road in Walterville at 7:30 p.m., on Tuesday, April 4th. For more information, go to: PublicSafetyLevy.org.

## April 5 BR Water Board

The Blue River Water District Board will meet 6 p.m. Via Zoom. Go to blueriverpark.com for more information.

## April 5 BR Park Board

The Blue River Water District Board will meet 7:15 p.m. Via Zoom. Gotoblueriverwaterdistrict.com for more information.

## April 8 Easter Egg Hunt

The Walterville Grange will host their 10th annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 8, at 10 a.m., at the Walterville Community Center. There will be special sections for age groups 4 and under, 5 and 6, and 7 and up. There will be lots of eggs to find and some special eggs with special prizes in them. Be sure to bring your own baskets to put your eggs in. It will be held at 39259 Camp Creek Road, in Walterville. Don't be late, the eggs will be found fast, and they always start on time. For more information call 541-563-0106.

# Slam the Scam Day: Tips for avoiding fraud



Scammers have been known to tell people to transfer money to a "safe" account in order to steal it from them.

By Eric Tegethoff  
Oregon News Service  
It's National Slam the Scam Day today, and fraud experts are advising people to keep their eyes open.

Carmel Perez Snyder, director of community outreach and local advocacy for AARP Oregon, said scammers will pretend to be from trusted entities like the IRS or Social Security Administration, and send fraudulent emails. She explained the thieves often try to pressure people to act quickly.

"They just do it in a multitude of ways, either to steal information, so they can steal a person's identity or to steal money," Perez Snyder outlined.

Snyder pointed out there are a few ways to know if a person is dealing with a scammer. One red flag is if the fraudster asks you

to pay for something with a gift card. Snyder noted thieves love gift cards because they are untraceable.

Snyder added if the deal offered by the person on the other end sounds too good to be true, hit pause on the interaction.

"Really engage your inner skeptic when a communication produces a strong emotional response from you," Snyder recommended.

When people claim to be from a particular organization like the IRS, Snyder advised people to do their own research to find out if they are legitimate, such as calling the official phone number for the IRS or by visiting the agency's website. AARP is holding a Scam Jam, a series of seminars focused on preventing scams, April 25 in Portland.

# Have an opinion on land use planning?

The Department of Land Conservation and Development wants to hear your thoughts on Oregon's 50-year-old Land Use Planning Program

May 2023 will mark the 50th anniversary of the signing of Senate Bill 100 which created Oregon's visionary land use plan-

ning system and established the Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) and Land Conservation and Development Commission.

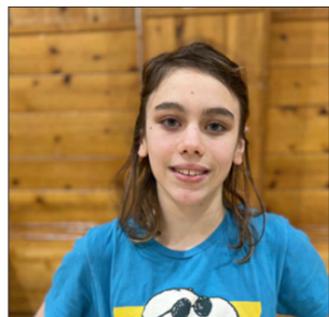
As DLCD looks back on the successes and challenges of land use planning in Oregon, and looks forward to the next 50 years, the department is gathering feedback with an online survey. We are interested in hearing how Oregonians describe our achievements, and how they would like to see the program evolve in the next 50 years. We would be honored if you would share your thoughts.

We plan to use feedback from this survey to deepen and improve our partnerships with local governments, create more equitable land use planning outcomes, pro-

vide better service to Oregonians, continue championing sensible and sustainable urban growth, and providing appropriate protections to farms, forests, coastal and natural areas.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/50YearsOfLandUse>

## McKenzie Students of the Month



7th grade McKenzie Middle School student Claire Weiss is thoughtful and includes all. She works hard in class and follows the RIVER. She is respectful to all students and staff and communicates positively. She has great time management and organization skills, as evidenced by her success in the classroom while also participating in Band/Choir and athletics.

McKenzie High senior Madrox LeClair is respectful, participates in class, and shows a ready to learn. He has excellent attendance, is willing to help peers, and puts forth his full effort. Madrox has balanced school Leadership roles, McKenzie classes, and Lane Community College classes successfully this year, which takes an impressive amount of work.



**Serving The Entire McKenzie Valley**  
**McKENZIE DISPOSAL L.L.C.**  
**DARIN and CHERI FULLER**  
Owners  
**Phone 541-988-3016**  
PO Box 695, Walterville, OR 97489

### An Invitation to Worship

**McKenzie Bible Fellowship**  
45061 McKenzie Hwy - Vista, Oregon  
**Sunday Worship - 10:00 a.m.**  
Youth Ministries  
KidsFest Family Activities  
Small Group Fellowships  
Men's & Women's Bible Studies  
Call 896-3829 for information  
[www.mckenziebible.com](http://www.mckenziebible.com)

**Living Water Family Fellowship**  
Pastor - Doug Farrington  
52353 McKenzie Hwy - Milepost 42  
541-822-3820  
Gathering Sundays at 10:00 AM,  
Children's ministry also.  
Come early for a meet and greet continental breakfast and coffee at 9:30 AM.  
Thursdays, 6:00 PM. Celebrate Recovery (12 Step Program)

**Catholic Church**  
**St. Benedict Lodge Chapel**  
1/2 mile off Hwy. 126 on North Bank Rd., McKenzie Bridge  
Sat. Evn. 5:00pm  
Sun. Morn. 9:30am;  
web page: [sblodge.opwest.org](http://sblodge.opwest.org)

**McKenzie Valley Presbyterian Church**  
Please join us for worship Sundays at 10:30 am, either in church on Hwy. 126 just east of Walterville, or on our Facebook livestream. You may also make prayer requests, or request an emailed or earth-mailed bulletin -- phone or send email to Nancy Ashley, [nancy.w.ashley@gmail.com](mailto:nancy.w.ashley@gmail.com), 541-914-1986. We would love to meet you!  
Milepost 13 McKenzie Hwy. (541) 747-2604

## CROSSWORD SOLUTION

A	S	C	O	T	E	N	D	C	L	A	P		
B	I	O	M	E	L	E	I	C	H	O	R	E	
L	O	R	E	N	S	O	S	L	U	P	I	N	
E	N	D	G	A	M	E	C	R	I	M	E	A	N
A	N	A	R	O	A	N							
S	E	N	T	Y	K	E	F	I	D	G	E	T	
T	R	I	O	O	P	E	D	C	U	R	I	A	
A	R	T	Y	R	O	L	E	S	K	I	D	S	
F	O	R	E	S	P	O	L	E	E	P	E	E	
F	R	O	Z	E	N	F	E	T	A	E	R	R	
S	N	O	W	D	E	N	S	P	O	T	I	F	Y
P	A	T	I	O	I	D	O	D	O	N	E	E	
A	G	I	S	M	M	A	R	A	N	T	R	A	
M	A	S	H	E	B	B	L	Y	O	N	S		

## SUDOKU SOLUTION

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

**LANE ELECTRIC**  
Your Touchstone Energy AC cooperative  
(541) 484-1151 • [www.laneelectric.com](http://www.laneelectric.com)



# Direct Answers

By Wayne & Tamara Mirthell

## Two Drops Of Water



My problem is that I am falling in love. My friend and I are both 23. He lives in the United States, seven hours away from where I live in Canada. Just yesterday I came back from seeing him again.

I always have such a wonderful time, but this time on the trip home I started missing him as if a part of myself was also missing. It was such a sad and empty feeling I wished I didn't have to come home.

We share romantic feelings, and when we are together, those feelings are expressed in displays of affection and acts of kindness. We hold hands and kiss, he pays for my meals and takes the day off work to drive me around.

The boundaries between friends and more than friends have blurred between us, and now as I get to know him more, I find I

am becoming involved deeper and deeper.

We are both aware we care for each other, but I have not told him how intense my feelings have become. We have differences, distance, and religion. Before he met me, the religious aspect ended the relationship because they were unable to agree on how to raise a family.

With myself, religion is not an issue. I would be okay raising children in another religion. I want to express what I feel, but I do not know how to talk to him without scaring him. I am afraid of the vulnerability which comes with this. I do not want to get hurt, but even more, I do not want to miss the opportunity to be with him.

Petula

Petula, I once loved a woman with whom I had a mostly business relationship, but I was moving away permanently. Still, I couldn't leave without telling her I loved her, and a little speech rehearsed itself in my mind, almost against my will.

When I went to see her for the last time, she was busy and asked me to step into another room and help myself to coffee. On a table

was a letter telling of her love for me. That woman was Tamara. We met in an embrace and have been together ever since.

With the greatest risk comes the greatest reward. One of the most important lessons of life is learning not to let fear ruin our chances for happiness. If you share your feelings and they aren't reciprocated, you will be devastated. For a while. But you will also be closer to finding the person with whom you can share a love for a lifetime.

Wayne

## The Glue

I went abroad for a year and dated a man a few years my senior. The man I met is Irish, like myself.

I miss him terribly and keep telling him this on the phone, which seems to be really annoying him. I try my best not to, but I can't help myself. He recently sent a present for my birthday. He sent the receipt also, and without thinking, I gave out about it.

What I said came out completely wrong. I apologized, but he stopped ringing me completely. I know pressuring wasn't helping, but I just love to hear from him. I've been a jealous person for as long as I remember.

He told me his former girlfriend was the prettiest girl in the county. He left her because she did the dirt on him, but that made me uneasy as well. Could you please help? I

love him to bits and don't want to lose him.

Erin

Erin, the essence of jealousy is "it's mine." The essence of love is "it is meant to be." Your pursuit is pushing this man away. Stop chasing him. If he comes back, remember a person is not a possession. Love is the glue in a relationship. When it is gone, so is the relationship.

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

The Poetry Foundation is now providing a Poem of the Day.

### The Lady's Yes

By Elizabeth Barrett Browning  
"Yes !" I answered you last night ;  
" No !" this morning, Sir, I say !  
Colours, seen by candle-light,  
Will not look the same by day.

When the tabors played their best,  
Lamps above, and laughs below —  
Love me sounded like a jest,  
Fit for Yes or fit for No !

Call me false, or call me free —

Vow, whatever light may shine,  
No man on your face shall see  
Any grief for change on mine.

Yet the sin is on us both —  
Time to dance is not to woo —  
Wooer light makes fickle truth —  
Scorn of me recoils on you !

Learn to win a lady's faith  
Nobly, as the thing is high ;  
Bravely, as for life and death —  
With a loyal gravity.

Lead her from the festive boards,  
Point her to the starry skies,  
Guard her, by your truthful words,  
Pure from courtship's flatteries.

By your truth she shall be true —  
Ever true, as wives of yore —  
And her Yes, once said to you,  
SHALL be Yes for evermore.

Elizabeth Barrett Browning,  
"The Lady's Yes" from Poems.  
London: Edward Moxon, 1844.  
Among all female poets of the  
English-speaking world in the 19<sup>th</sup>  
century, none was held in higher  
critical esteem or was more  
admired for the independence  
and courage of her views than  
Elizabeth Barrett Browning.  
During the years of her marriage  
to Robert Browning, her literary  
reputation far surpassed that of her  
poet-husband; when visitors came  
to their home in Florence, she was  
invariably the greater attraction.  
She had a wide following among  
cultured readers in England and  
in the United States.

# CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

### Assisted Living

Looking for assisted living, memory care, or independent living? A Place for Mom simplifies the process of finding senior living at no cost to your family. Call 1-844-923-5005 today!

### Coins & Jewelry

Buying US and foreign coins, currency, tokens, gold, silver, & jewelry. North Star Coin & Jewelry, 650 Main St., Springfield. 541-746-5964. S=nscj-1/14

### Free

Rocks - landscape boulders & tree fill material. All sizes, shapes & colors - from fist to refrigerator size. All you can load yourself free - loaded & delivered for a small fee. 541-896-3000 (best time a.m.) Fl-j15.nc

### Free Internet

FREE high speed internet for those that qualify. Government program for recipients of select programs incl. Medicaid, SNAP, Housing Assistance, WIC, Veterans Pension, Survivor Benefits, Lifeline, Tribal. 15 GB internet service. Bonus offer: Android tablet FREE with one-time \$20 copay. Free shipping & handling. Call Maxsip Telecom today! 1-844-950-0003

### Funeral Home

Major Family Funeral Home. Family Owned Since 1961. Funerals ° Burials ° Cremations ° Monuments ° Keepsakes ° Video Tributes. 541-746-9667.

### Gutters

Eliminate gutter cleaning forever! LeafFilter, the most advanced debris-blocking gutter protection. Schedule a FREE LeafFilter estimate today. 15% off Entire Purchase. 10% Senior & Military Discounts. Call 1-866-387-0730

### Personal

Missing people. Do you have a family member or friend that disappeared under strange circumstances? Is it possible an unknown animal was responsible? We may be able to provide a wider audience in helping determine what became of your loved one. Please contact us at wjevning@gmail.com serious responses only

please. pwj-11/19

If you want to drink, that's your business. If you want to stop, that's ours. AA Group meets Wednesday 6:00pm-7:00pm and Sunday 5:00-6:00pm at the McKenzie Valley Presbyterian Church, 88393 Walterville Loop, a block from the Walterville Shopping Center. N/C-sub 5/15/-5/11/14

### Piano Lessons

Now accepting piano students - Beginners, Intermediate and Advanced - all ages. Professional jazz pianist, classically trained with years of teaching experience. Located in Leaburg. Please call or text 408.391.3477 or email; kimberly@liquidsister.com. http://www.liquidsister.com SKP-8/16ruc

### Portable Oxygen

Portable Oxygen Concentrator May Be Covered by Medicare! Reclaim independence and mobility with the compact design and long-lasting battery of Inogen One. Free information kit! Call 833-980-0385. Call 1-877-244-0346

### Quilters/Needle Crafters

The Leaburg Sew & So's are meeting most Friday afternoons at the McKenzie Fire and Rescue Training

Center. Please call Sara at (541) 896-3059 for more information. S=JS-2/25/10ruc

### Satellite TV

DIRECTV for \$69.99/mo for 12 months with CHOICE Package. Watch your favorite live sports, news & entertainment anywhere. One year of HBO Max FREE. Directv is #1 in Customer Satisfaction (JD Power & Assoc.) Call for more details! (some restrictions apply) Call 1-844-808-7532

DISH Network. \$59.99 for 190 Channels! Blazing Fast Internet, \$19.99/mo. (where available.) Switch & Get a FREE \$100 Visa Gift Card. FREE Voice Remote. FREE HD DVR. FREE Streaming on ALL Devices. Call today! 1-855-984-8961

### Services

Natures Friend Beautifying Co. Property/rental cleanup, restoration, tree work, blackberry & ivy destruction, pressure washing, Int/ext. painting, furniture refurbishing. Free appliance removal. Call Scottish 541-913-8477. SB=JAB-2/27-3/20/14

Got a hole in your wall? Give me a call! The Wall Doctor - Serving the McKenzie River area. 541-735-2317. p-s15-n3

### Standby Generator

Prepare for power outages today with a GENERAC home standby generator. \$0 Money Down + Low Monthly Payment Options. Request a FREE Quote. Call now before the next power outage: 1-833-306-2843

### TV

DIRECTV NOW. No Satellite Needed. \$40/month. 65 Channels. Stream Breaking News, Live Events, Sports & On Demand Titles. No Annual Contract. No Commitment. CALL 1-855-690-3970

Directv Stream - The Best of Live & On-Demand On All Your Favorite Screens. CHOICE Package, \$84.99/mo for 12months. Stream on 20 devices at once in your home. HBO Max FREE for 1 yr (w/CHOICE Package or higher.) Call for more details today! (some restrictions apply) Call IVS 1-877-649-5547

### TV Ears

Trouble hearing your TV? Try TV EARS-í Voice Clarifying Wireless TV Speaker. Better than a soundbar and/or turning the TV volume way up. Special, limited time \$50 off offer. Call TV Ears. Use code MBSP50. Call 1-877-787-0817

"I WILL TAKE THE RING, THOUGH I DO NOT KNOW THE WAY."  
— FRODO BAGGINS

Know before you go. Visit TripCheck.com.

Oregon Department of Transportation

This Space For Rent  
rivref2@gmail.com

Emergency? Call 911

BOGO 40% OFF  
OFFER ENDS 4/30

RENEWAL by ANDERSEN  
FULL-SERVICE WINDOW & DOOR REPLACEMENT

855-443-0507

**CROSSWORD**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12		
13					14			15					
16					17			18					
19					20		21	22					
	23					24							
25	26	27		28		29		30	31	32	33	34	
35			36		37			38		39			
40					41			42		43			
44			45		46					47			
48					49		50		51		52		
					53		54		55		56		
57	58	59	60					61			62	63	64
65					66	67			68				
69					70				71				
72					73				74				

- 53. Look through a book
- 55. Good times
- 57. \*Global surveillance whistle-blower
- 61. \*Swedish audio streamer
- 65. BBQ spot
- 66. Words at the altar (2 words)
- 68. Beneficiary
- 69. Anti-seniors sentiment
- 70. Ides mo.
- 71. Bone hollow
- 72. Prepare potatoes
- 73. Tide's backward flow
- 74. City in France

**DOWN**

- 1. Having the means
- 2. Land of Israel
- 3. \* \_\_\_\_-cutting, broadcast TV phenomenon
- 4. Opposite of alpha
- 5. Not owner
- 6. Something \_\_\_\_
- 7. Opposite of paleo
- 8. "Saturday Night Fever" music
- 9. Pal
- 10. Between trot and gallop
- 11. Operatic solo
- 12. Actor Sean
- 15. Healthcare facility
- 20. \*Bill de Blasio, e.g.
- 22. England's airforce
- 24. Recite rapidly (2 words)
- 25. Walking stick
- 26. Fielding mistake
- 27. Part of TNT
- 29. \*BTS' genre
- 31. \*Home to Blue Devils, 2015 NCAA winners
- 32. Complain
- 33. Downy duck
- 34. Policeman's shocker
- 36. Court of law opener
- 38. Mark for omission
- 42. Frame job
- 45. Not often
- 49. \*Amal Clooney \_\_\_\_ Alamuddin
- 51. Naturally footless
- 54. Japanese cartoon art
- 56. Expressionless
- 57. Junk e-mail
- 58. Hindu serpent deity
- 59. Singer-songwriter Redding
- 60. Item on Santa's list
- 61. Acidic kind of apple
- 62. A fan of
- 63. \*Plant in Zach Galifianakis' 2019 movie
- 64. Those not opposed
- 67. \*Popular meme move

# Hwy. 126 fixes

Continued From Page 1



**Potholes and other damage caused by heavy traffic using chains would be repaired along a six-mile stretch of the Clear Lake Cutoff.**

from Milepoint 13 to 19.8. ODOT says its McKenzie maintenance crew has had to apply patches more frequently to hold this section of the road together. To repair and preserve this section of the road, workers will remove the existing pavement and repave it. They'll also add new permanent striping to the entire project area and adjust or replace guardrails where needed.

"Doing the work now before the road gets worse is more cost-effective," according to ODOT. "This section will need less frequent repairs by our maintenance crews. By preserving the road now, more costly repairs are not needed in the future."

Design work on the \$4,441,600 should happen during 2022-2024, with construction: scheduled for

**SWITCH & GET \$25**

Off First Month of New Service!  
USE PROMO CODE: **GZ590**

**Consumer Cellular**

CALL CONSUMER CELLULAR **888-804-0913**

© 2023 Consumer Cellular Inc. For promo details please call 888-804-0913

© StatePoint Media

**THE 2010s**

**ACROSS**

- 1. Necktie alternative
- 6. Finish line
- 9. Show of appreciation
- 13. Biotic community
- 14. Hula dancer's necklace
- 15. House duty
- 16. Sofia Costanza Brigida Villani Scicolone's stage last name
- 17. International distress signal
- 18. Hogwarts professor, part werewolf
- 19. \*\*Avengers: \_\_\_\_\_, second-highest grossing movie of all time
- 21. \*Annexed Black Sea peninsula
- 23. Santa \_\_\_\_\_, Orange County
- 24. Multicolored horse
- 25. \*Rand Paul's title, abbr.

- 28. Youngster
- 30. \*Type of spinner popular in the late 2010s
- 35. Between duet and quartet
- 37. Newspaper piece
- 39. Pope's court
- 40. Bohemian
- 41. \*Tonya and Harley Quinn to Margot Robbie, e.g.
- 43. \*Like Millie Bobby Brown and friends in "Stranger Things"
- 44. Prows
- 46. Vaulting prop
- 47. Fencer's blade
- 48. \*Animated story of Elsa and Anna
- 50. Greek salad ingredient
- 52. Make #26 Down

Solution on Page 6

**SUDOKU**

Call today and receive a **FREE SHOWER PACKAGE PLUS \$1600 OFF** SPECIAL OFFER

**SAFE STEP WALK-IN TUB** 1-855-576-5653

With purchase of a new Safe Step Walk-in Tub. Not applicable with any previous walk-in tub purchase. Offer available while supplies last. No cash value. Must present offer at time of purchase. CSLB 1082165. NSCB 0092998 0093446

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

© StatePoint Media

Fill in the blank squares in the grid, making sure that every row, column and 3-by-3 box includes all digits 1 through 9.

Solution on Page 6

**GENERAC**

**Prepare for power outages today**

WITH A HOME STANDBY GENERATOR

**\$0 MONEY DOWN + LOW MONTHLY PAYMENT OPTIONS**

**FREE** 7-Year Extended Warranty\* A \$695 Value!

REQUEST A FREE QUOTE  
CALL NOW BEFORE THE NEXT POWER OUTAGE  
**(833) 306-2843**

\*To qualify, consumers must request a quote, purchase, install and activate the generator with a participating dealer. Call for a full list of terms and conditions.

**Fill your screen with McKenzie news**

Get a free trial subscription to River Reflections  
[tinyurl.com/4f6ndcrh](http://tinyurl.com/4f6ndcrh)

**Ogre achiever**

**BELIEVE IN YOURSELF**

Pass It On:  
**VALUES.COM** THE FOUNDATION FOR A BETTER LIFE

**This Space For Rent**

[rivref2@gmail.com](mailto:rivref2@gmail.com)

# Ex-mayor's corpse

Continued From Page 1



WILLIAM RECTOR AND CHARLES MONTGOMERY.

Oregonian

**William Rector and Charles Montgomery as they appeared in court during their trial.**

knife," the Oregonian's reporter wrote. "I guess that will fix their burglar alarm," he said."

Then the four of them got busy with their shovels.

"They worked more furiously as they realized what the consequences might be, Magone growing frenzied as they neared the coffin," the Oregonian reporter recounts. "He turned around several times and thrust his pistol before him into the darkness, at a fancied sound; then replaced it in his pocket and worked like a fiend."

Finally, they got the casket out on the grass, and Magone hacked it open with the hay knife.

Considering Ladd had been dead for nearly four years, the patriarch's mortal remains were in tip-top condition; they had, of course, been very carefully embalmed. So at least he wasn't smelly or falling apart. But Ladd was a big and heavy man, and, being prosperous, was very well fed. The four lads struggled to wrangle their heavy burden down the steep hillside to where their getaway boat lay tied by the river. And by the time they got there, they were too exhausted to go back for their second intended prize, the much fresher body of the late Mr. Lewis.

(Lewis was also a wealthy Portland merchant, although not of the same social prominence as Ladd.)

The four of them were so exhausted, and the morning was by now drawing so near, that they just dumped the body into the

boat and cast off, leaving all their tools behind in the graveyard for the detectives to find. And in so doing, of course, they more or less sealed their legal doom.

In court, Montgomery pleaded guilty and was sentenced to two years in prison.

Rector's attorney, S.H. Gruber, had a good deal to say, but he had to be somewhat delicate about it. The thing was because body-snatching is illegal, it didn't really matter, legally, that Rector basically went through with the corpse-napping scheme at gunpoint. Since he knew very well that stealing corpses for medical experiments was against the law — a point he couldn't very well dispute, being as the operation was undertaken with great stealth in the middle of the night — the fact that he'd thought he was helping steal a less important corpse for a less unpopular purpose was really no defense at all.

Nonetheless, the attorney made that case to the judge; the judge patiently explained that it would not help his client; and the attorney thanked him and withdrew it.

Then the real audience for Gruber's speech went back to the newsroom and wrote the story up. Gruber's client was going to jail, that was clear and unavoidable; but at least his neighbors, and his wife's friends, would know it wasn't entirely his fault.

Although Montgomery and Rector both cooperated with the authorities, and neither Magone nor Long would speak a word, in the end all four men ended up

drawing the same sentence: Two years. The charge was illegal disinterment.

"Lucky for them it wasn't blackmail or ransom or kidnapping yet, or extortion. Because they hadn't even had time to write a note to the Ladd family," said Oregon Historical Society Executive Director Kerry Tymchuk, in an interview with KGW's Ashley Korslein for an episode of the Wicked West podcast. "Their thought was that they were going to hold it for ransom, but they were so awful at what they did, that they left too much evidence. I guess that was the good thing for them, was that they were found out quickly, otherwise they would have spent a long time in prison."

Magone's trial took a while because he was so obviously unhinged and the question of insanity had to be doped out: Was he crazy enough to need to go to the asylum rather than the prison? In the end, the answer was no, and he ended up finishing up his two years in the regular penitentiary (he'd already served 16 months of it by then, waiting for trial), as did the other three.

As far as I've been able to learn, none of them got in any further trouble after they were released.

As for the Ladd family, they purchased a new coffin to replace the one Magone had hacked up, laid their patriarch to rest in it, and re-buried him. But this time, they dug an extra-wide hole, and instead of filling it back in with dirt, they poured in concrete!

It seems a pretty safe bet that no grave robber, resurrection man, body snatcher or ghoul has disturbed old Mr. Ladd's long-suffering bones since.

(Sources: "The Graverobbing Ghoul's: Episode 4," an episode of the Wicked West podcast by Ashley Korslein published Nov. 16, 2022, by Vault Studios and KGW TV; archives of the Portland Morning Oregonian, May, and June 1897)

Finn J.D. John teaches at Oregon State University and writes about odd tidbits of Oregon history. His book, Heroes and Rascals of Old Oregon, was recently published by Ouragan House Publishers. To contact him or suggest a topic: finn@offbeatoregon.com or 541-357-2222.

(Sources: "The Graverobbing Ghoul's: Episode 4," an episode of the Wicked West podcast by Ashley Korslein published Nov. 16, 2022, by Vault Studios and KGW TV; archives of the Portland Morning Oregonian, May, and June 1897)

Finn J.D. John teaches at Oregon State University and writes about odd tidbits of Oregon history. His book, Heroes and Rascals of Old Oregon, was recently published by Ouragan House Publishers. To contact him or suggest a topic: finn@offbeatoregon.com or 541-357-2222.

# Dry forests

Continued From Page 1



Sky Greenler, OSU

**Prescribed burns can be a tool in helping to restore landscapes.**

western United States. Aggressive fire exclusion policies, forest and resource management practices, and climate change have altered forest structure and composition — increasing forests' vulnerability to extreme wildfires and drought.

"As wildfire activity continues to intensify in the West, it's becoming clear that a variety of management activities are necessary to make ecosystems healthier and to lower wildfire risk," Greenler said. "Fuel reduction treatments like mechanical thinning and prescribed fire can reduce community and ecosystem risk, but in most places, the pace and scale of treatments are way below what's needed to substantially alter fire effects and behavior."

In an independent project, Greenler and Dunn in a collaboration with College of Forestry colleagues James Johnston, Andrew Merschel, and John Bailey developed a new way to predict the fire severities that are most apt to help eastern Oregon forests return to their historical density, species composition, and basal area, a measure of how much ground in a specific area is occupied by tree stems.

"We built probabilistic tree mortality models for 24 species based on their characteristics and remotely sensed fire severity data from a collection of burned areas," Greenler said. "Then we looked at unburned stands in the Ochoco, Deschutes, Fremont-Winema, and Malheur national forests to model postfire conditions and compared the results to historical conditions. That let us identify which fire severities had the highest restoration potential."

The research team, which also included scientists from the University of Washington, the U.S. Forest Service, and Applegate Forestry LLC of Corvallis, generally found that basal area and den-

sity targets could be met through fire within a fairly narrow range of moderate severity.

However, one blaze can't restore species composition to its historical norm in a forest that evolved amid frequent, low-severity fires, the scientists found.

"Landscapes have likely passed thresholds that preclude the effectiveness of managed wildfire alone as a restoration tool," Greenler said. "In a large number of fire-prone western landscapes, forest structure, and composition are no longer resistant or resilient to natural disturbance processes like fire, drought, and endemic insects and pathogens, and interactions among all of those."

Although more and more wildfires are burning large areas and at high severity, the majority of fires in the West still burn at low or moderate severity, the authors note. They cite a recent analysis that found about half of the burned area in Oregon and Washington from 1985 through 2010 did so in low-severity fires — in systems characterized historically by low- and mixed-severity fire regimes.

"Low severity may be 'too cold' to meet restoration objectives in areas where significant tree density reduction or big shifts in tree species composition are needed," Greenler said. "For a better understanding of the fire severities that are the most restorative, we need empirical modeling that can be applied beyond individual fire events and across a broad range of conditions. Our study lets managers and researchers link forest restoration goals with maps of predicted post-fire conditions."

**LeafFilter** GUTTER PROTECTION

BACKED BY A YEAR-ROUND CLOG-FREE GUARANTEE

**20% OFF** YOUR ENTIRE PURCHASE + **10% OFF** SENIORS & MILITARY!

FREE GUTTER ALIGNMENT + FREE GUTTER CLEANING\*

CALL US TODAY FOR A FREE ESTIMATE

Promo Number: 285

**1-866-387-0730**

Mon-Thurs: 8am-11pm, Fri-Sat: 8am-5pm, Sun: 2pm-8pm EST

\*For those who qualify. One coupon per household. No obligation estimate valid for 1 year. \*\*Offer valid at time of estimate only. 2The leading consumer reporting agency conducted a 16 month outdoor test of gutter guards in 2010 and recognized LeafFilter as the #1 rated professionally installed gutter guard system in America. Manufactured in Plainwell, Michigan and processed at LMT Mercer Group in Ohio. See Representative for full warranty details. Registration# 0366929922 CSLB# 1035795 Registration# HIC0649905 License# CB056678 License# RCE-51604 Registration# C127230 License# 559544 Suffolk HIC License# 52229-H License# 26200002 License# 262000403 License# 2106212946 License# MHIC11225 Registration# 176447 License# 42330 Registration# IR731804 License# 50145 License# 408693 Registration# 13W09953900 Registration# H-19114 License# 218294 Registration# PA069383 License# 41354 License# 7656 DOP# #10783658-5501 License# 423330 License# 270516945 License# LEAFFN822JZ License# WV056912

SWITCH & GET **\$25**

Off First Month of New Service!

USE PROMO CODE: GZ590

**Consumer Cellular**

CALL CONSUMER CELLULAR **888-459-3958**

© 2023 Consumer Cellular Inc. For promo details please call 888-459-3958

**They're not ready for adult safety belts, either.**

Keep your child safe with a booster seat until they're 4'9".

In a crash, adult-size safety belts can cause serious internal and spinal injuries to children eight and under. Remember, kids who have outgrown their child safety seat should be secured in a booster until they're 4'9". So keep them safe in the car with a booster seat — because they're not grown-ups yet.

**Child Safety Seat** 1-877-793-2608  
childsafeseat.org

**Buckle Up. The Way to Go.**  
Transportation Safety — QDOT

# McKenzie Fire & Rescue

Continued From Page 3

Assist.

**11:08:** 50000 blk, McK. Hwy. Medical, General. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

**March 10: 17:11:** 87000 blk, Cedar Flat Rd. Barn Fire. Fire Extinguished.

**18:52:** Camp Creek Rd. Milepost 1. MVA. Non-Injury/Non-Blocking.

**March 11: 4:41:** 87000 blk, Lupe Ln. Medical, General. Cancelled By Dispatch Prior To Arrival.

**5:47:** 42000 blk, McK. Hwy. Medical, General. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

**17:48:** 51000 blk, McK. Hwy. Medical, General. Mutual Aid Provided.

**March 13: 5:36:** 39000 blk, Deerhorn Rd. Medical, General. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

McK. Fire & Rescue will hold its monthly Board of Directors meeting on Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup> 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.

## Quote of the Week

“If your ship doesn’t come in, swim out to it!”

Jonathan Winters

Emergency? Call 911



**A Moment in Oregon History**  
By Rick Steber  
(www.ricksteber.com)

**March 16** - Pierre Pambrun, a French-Canadian entered service to the Hudson’s Bay Company in 1815 as a trapper and fur trader. He came to the Columbia District in 1831 as the clerk at Fort Walla Walla. It was the policy of the Company not to provide aid to any American and Pambrun was reprimanded for selling tobacco and trade goods to Captain Bonneville when he visited the fort in 1837. Later, as Oregon Trail pioneers began to flood into the country, Pambrun was praised for his hospitality and helpfulness. He died in 1841, after falling from a horse he was trying to break, and was buried at Fort Walla Walla. Later his remains were taken to Fort Vancouver and reburied.

## Ski Report

**March 14, 2022**  
The Hoodoo Ski Area is closed on Mon. & Tues; open 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wed. to Sat; and Sun. from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The temperature Tuesday morning was 30 degrees at the base with East winds averaging 25 mph. No new snow fell overnight, leaving the snowpack at 87 inches. For more information call 541-822-3337.  
Mt. Bachelor reported temperatures of 29 degrees at the base and 14 degrees at the summit on Tuesday. 2 inches of new snow fell overnight, bringing the snowpack to 111 inches. The fresh snow and cold temps were combining to maintain the snowpack, with another inch of two expected through the day. All 122 trails were open, along with 11 of 15 lifts. For more information call 541-382-7888.

# TIP volunteers ready to help

TIP of Lane County is a chapter of the Trauma Intervention Programs, Inc. (TIP), a national non-profit organization founded in 1985. TIP has 15 affiliates serving over 250 cities across the nation. TIP of Lane County, Oregon provides services to police, fire and hospital staff serving all of Lane County.



It received the prestigious Innovations Award in State and Local government from Harvard University and Ford Foundation, Crime Victim Service Award from the U.S. Justice Department, and the Governor’s Victim Service Award from the State of California.

TIP is a group of specially trained volunteers who provide emotional first aid and practical support to survivors of traumatic events and their families in the first few hours following a tragedy. Trained, skilled TIP responders are available 24 hours a day,

365 days a year. They are called by police officers, firefighters, paramedics, and hospital personnel to assist family members and friends following a natural or unexpected death; survivors of violent crime including rape, assault, robbery, or burglary; survivors of fire; disoriented or lonely elderly persons; people involved in motor vehicle accidents; people who are distraught and seeking immediate support; and those whose loved

one has died by suicide or overdose.

The TIP citizen volunteers can provide emotional first aid to survivors of tragedy in order to ease their immediate suffering and facilitate their healing and long term recovery. They are also available to assist police and emergency services.

For more information, go to [tip-lanecounty.org/resources.htm](http://tip-lanecounty.org/resources.htm)

# Housing plan

Continued From Page 1



Some vacant lots in Blue River would be part of the Rose Street CLT, a 6-unit homeownership subdivision for low to moderate-income residents with a projected completion date of the Fall of 2023.

by the Highway 126 bridge that crosses over Blue River.

MCLT and DevNW are currently working to secure additional funding through the Oregon Housing and Community Services LIFT program as well as other

construction lending avenues. The overall project will be an approximate \$3.1 million dollar investment in our community.

The McKenzie Community Land Trust is a new non-profit with a Board of McKenzie resi-

dents and stakeholders. Their mission is to provide access to land for the building of affordable housing and other community needs, working together to rebuild a thriving community.



**WE DON'T DO DIVISION.**

At a time when our nation seems deeply divided along political lines, we opt to take a different path. We add. Our goal daily is to add to the collective understanding of this community through a news report that fully and fairly reflects what's happening. The more we know about our hometown and neighbors, the more likely we are to build common ground. That's important. Local news coverage is at its best when it captures a community's successes and challenges, and generates conversations that lead to better solutions and a brighter future. The more informed we are, the more we care. That's good for our hometown and good for America. Just do the math.

**FREE SPEECH CENTER**

**Read River Reflections on the go with your mobile device**



**Subscribe and receive the weekly color edition via email every Tuesday**  
**\$31<sup>00</sup>/Year – [tinyurl.com/2vf5caa6](http://tinyurl.com/2vf5caa6)**

**OREGON UTILITY NOTIFICATION CENTER**



**Be Aware New Dig Law! Avoid Fines & Penalties**

**Call Before You Dig**  
1-800-332-2344 (1-800-332-2DIG)  
**It's Free!**

**MCKENZIE ROOFING**  
**M**  
 541-744-2448  
 Taking Care Of You Since 1995  
 Residential & Commercial Roofing & Gutters  
 CCB# 106380  
 1500 South A St • Springfield

**EMERALD FRUIT & PRODUCE CO, INC**  
 Eugene Oregon's Fresh Produce Distributor  
 541-342-2136  
 2525 W 7th Place • Eugene

**VALLEY WEST HEALTH CARE CENTER**  
**LIFECARE CENTERS OF AMERICA**  
 Thank You To Our Farmers!  
 541-686-2828  
 2300 Warren St • Eugene

**EUGENE'S FLOWER HOME**  
 We're Proud To Honor Our Local Farmers! Thank You!  
 541-485-3655  
 1193 Harlow Rd • Springfield

**NAPA AUTO PARTS**  
 Of Willamette Valley  
 Creswell • 541-895-3883  
 Cottage Grove • 541-942-0161  
 Eugene • 541-342-2626  
 Junction City • 541-998-6669  
 Springfield • 541-746-2538

**McKenzie River Nursery**  
 Bedding Plants • Vegetable Starts • Baskets  
 Greg Clift  
 Tamara Clift  
 (541) 747-2767  
 mckenzenursery@msn.com  
 38698 Camp Creek Rd  
 Springfield, OR 97478  
 mckenzievernursery.com

**LANE COUNTY FARMERS MARKET**  
 Winter Farmers Market • Saturdays 10 am - 2 pm  
 Farmers Market Pavillion & Plaza  
 8th & Oak In Downtown Eugene

**Max Porter's COFFEE HOUSE**  
 Where family and friends come to gather  
 541-998-4545  
 170 W. 6th Ave • Junction City

**Timber Pointe SENIOR LIVING**  
 Thank You To Our Farmers & Stockmen!  
 541-284-2865  
 4865 Main St • Springfield

**FIX AUTO SPRINGFIELD**  
 Collision Repair  
 541-726-8453  
 3445 Main St • Springfield

**CEC CONSOLIDATED ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTORS**  
 Thank You To Our Farmers & Stockmen!  
 541-683-2474  
 155 Garfield St Ste H1 • Eugene

**THE TRACTOR STORE**  
**Branson TRACTORS**  
 541-342-5464  
 5450 W 11th Ave • Eugene

**ANDERSON BROTHERS TRUCK & EQUIPMENT CO**  
 Call Anderson Brothers For All Of Your Driveline And U-Bolt Needs  
 541-688-8686  
 2640 Highway 99 N • Eugene

Serving Rural Lane County Since 1939  
**LANE ELECTRIC**  
 A Touchstone Energy Cooperative  
 Providing Exceptional Service And Sustainable Energy Sources

2023  
**NATIONAL AG WEEK**  


**MARCH 21-27, 2023**  
**THANK YOU TO AMERICA'S FARMERS AND STOCKMEN!**  
 America's farmers and stockmen are the world's greatest providers of food, fiber, fertilizer and feeds. They create jobs and fuel our economy and healthy diets. We're proud of and thankful for these hard-working, dedicated people and their families who make up our nation's agricultural industry.





**tp TREE PRODUCTS**  
 HARDWOOD LUMBER, PLYWOOD, & MOULDINGS  
 www.treeproductshardwood.com  
 Showroom Open: Mon - Fri • 8 am - 5 pm  
 541-689-8515 • 150 Seneca Rd • Eugene

**MOHAWK GENERAL STORE**  
 Thank You To Our Farmers & Stockmen!  
 541-746-1969  
 91130 Donna Rd • Springfield

**TRACER'S TRUCK REPAIR**  
 Virgil Tracer • Owner  
 Truck & Diesel Pick Up Repair  
 541-746-9431  
 270 E Park Dr • Creswell, OR

541-343-6238  
 www.wesaveyou.com  
 Eugene:  
 1075 Oak St  
 95F Division Ave  
 Springfield:  
 1190 Mohawk Blvd

**KNIFE RIVER**  
 AN MDU RESOURCES COMPANY  
 541-689-6600  
 1001 Division Ave • Eugene

**Eric Messner State Farm**  
 541-342-7444  
 3555 Gateway St Ste 101 • Springfield  
 eric@ericmessner.com

**BUSHELER'S SAW AND MOWER**  
 541-747-2248  
 2590 Main St • Springfield

**CENTURY LIGHTING**  
 Honoring America's Farmers! Thank You!  
 541-726-5994  
 550 Shelley St • Ste G  
 Springfield

**ALL SEASONS EQUIPMENT**  
 Your Mahindra Tractor Dealer  
 #1 Selling Farm Tractor In The World!  
 7 Year Powertrain Warranty  
 Financing Up To 84 Months  
 www.allseasonsequipment.net  
 541-461-6716 • 2200 W 7th Ave • Eugene

**Coastal**  
 Shop us online at CoastalCountry.com  
**EUGENE**  
 2200 West 6th  
 (541) 687-5810  
**ALBANY**  
 1355 Goldfish Farm Rd. NE  
 (541) 928-2511

**HITCH PRO & TOW**  
 541-434-2403  
 4701 W 11th Ave • Eugene

**MARQUIS SPRINGFIELD POST ACUTE REHAB**  
 www.marquiscompanies.com  
 541-736-2700 • 1333 1st St

**AMERICAS BEST VALUE INN**  
 541-343-0730  
 1140 W 6th Ave • Eugene

**TRACK TOWN PIZZA**  
 Honoring Our Farmers & Stockmen!  
 541-284-8484  
 www.tracktownpizza.com  
 1809 Franklin Blvd • Eugene

**MVP McKenzie Valley Pump**  
 WELL WATER SYSTEMS  
 WATER PURIFICATION SYSTEMS  
 THANK YOU, FARMERS!  
 www.mckenzievalleypump.com  
 541-896-0453 • Vida

**EMERALD PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, INC**  
 www.emeraldpm.com  
 541-741-4676  
 525 Harlow Rd • Springfield

**LINE-X**  
 541-463-7938  
 745 River Ave Unit E • Eugene

**Craig's LUCKY LOGGER RESTAURANT**  
 Thank You To Our Farmers & Stockmen!  
 541-726-9088  
 39297 McKenzie Hwy • Springfield

**SQUARE DEAL LUMBER Co**  
 Doing Business Up The River Since 1947  
 squaredeallumber.net  
 Free Delivery Every Wednesday  
 541-746-2576  
 4992 Main St. • Springfield

**ARCHER FLOOR COVERINGS**  
 Thank You To Our Farmers & Stockmen!  
 archerfloors.com  
 Monday - Friday • 9 am - 5:30 pm  
 541-747-2608 • 3775 Olympic St • Springfield

**ARCLIN SPRINGFIELD**  
 Honoring Our Farmers & Stockmen! Thank You!  
 541-746-6501 • 475 28th St

**CENTENNIAL STEAKHOUSE AND SPORTS BAR**  
 Open At 7 am  
 541-988-1324  
 1300 Mohawk Blvd  
 Springfield  
 Thank You To Our Farmers & Stockmen!

**CHAMBERS CONSTRUCTION**  
 ChambersConstruction.com • 541-687-9445  
 Eugene/Springfield • CCB# 114258

**NELSON BROTHERS TRUCKING, INC**  
 Thanks To Our Farmers & Stockmen!  
 541-746-0303  
 3112 Industrial Ave • Springfield

**RADIOLOGY ASSOCIATES**  
 Thanks To Our Farmers & Stockmen!  
 Springfield

The Genuine. The Original.  
**OVERHEAD DOOR**  
 Thank You To Our Farmers & Stockmen!  
 Overhead Door Company of Eugene-Springfield™  
**WE DO GARAGE DOORS!**  
 541.686.8144 • OverheadDoor-Eugene.com