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Ownership? It depends on how the wind blows

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Home Country

When was the last time you saw The Duke standing 15-feet tall?

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Direct Answers

When you hear that voice, listen.

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Winter arrives on the Old Pass

Snow gate has closed on Hwy. 242



Trying to keep a highway route from McKenzie to Sisters over the Cascades was much more challenging for the Oregon Dept. of Transportation before the all-weather Clear Lake Cutoff was constructed.

MCKENZIE BRIDGE: The Oregon Department of Transportation closed the west side of the Old McKenzie Highway, OR 242, for the season on October 21st. Gates were locked from milepost 62 (about 7 miles east of the junction with OR 126) to milepost 72 near the Dee Wright Observatory.

The east side of McKenzie Highway remains open from Sisters to Dee Wright Observatory, with a tentative closure date of November 1st. Gates on the east side may close sooner depending on snowfall.

The scenic route closes annually from mid-November to mid-June. The earliest opening is the third Monday in June. That date may be later, depending on weather and road conditions. ODOT posts signs and closes gates when the road is closed.

When closed, the road is not maintained. ODOT says weather conditions, logistics and cost

make it impractical to maintain it for travel year around. Crews open the road when they can ensure it is clear for safe travel.

People who choose to access the road when closed do so at their own risk, according to an agency spokesman, "It can be dangerous to be on this route when it's closed."

Some examples of potential conflicts during winter months include maintenance crews plowing, paving, felling trees, and other work with heavy equipment when there are no flaggers. It also can be difficult to hear equipment operating in different areas due to snow and trees. Plus, there are no services nor is there cell service.

Maintenance activities in the spring are done in preparation for reopening scheduled for the third Monday in June. That date, though, may be delayed, based on weather conditions.

Camp Creek cleanup

SOLVE to host November event

SOLVE, a state-wide volunteer group, and the Bureau of Land Management are teaming up to remove illegally dumped and littered trash in the Camp Creek area next month. Of particular concern, according to organizers are illegal dump sites that could transfer leached toxins into the creek, the McKenzie River and into the Willamette River. "As the plastic ages, it gets broken into smaller and smaller pieces that are eaten by wildlife and enter the food chain," according to SOLVE.

The Camp Creek Watershed

Cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, November 20th, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.. Participants will meet on Upper Camp Creek Road. Details on a specific meeting location will be sent to all registered volunteers.

People should wear sturdy, closed-toe shoes, bring snacks and water, and be prepared for variable Oregon weather. All cleanup materials and instruction: gloves, bags, and litter grabbers will be provided for up to 50 volunteers.

More information is available at: shorturl.at/fBF36

Pitch in at the Park

Pure Water Partners sponsoring a cleanup day

BLUE RIVER The Pure Water Partners (PWP) program is inviting community members to help replant the Blue River Park on Saturday, November 6th. During what's planned as a family friendly event, volunteers will help plant native trees and shrubs around the park with guidance from Pure Water Partners staff.

During the day people can pick from two shifts. The morning shift will run from 9 a.m. to noon. The afternoon shift is scheduled from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Because of COVID-19 precautions, crews will be limited to 20 participants per shift. Also, organizers say volunteers will need to use a face covering, regardless of vaccination status, when working within 6 feet of others outside of their household.

On the bonus side, light breakfast fare and a lunch will be provided. Lunch will take place from noon to 1 p.m. All volunteers are welcome and encouraged to join! No experience is necessary. We



Plans for an upgraded Blue River Park, in response to damage that occurred during the Holiday Farm Fire, are now underway. Under consideration are improvements to the entry area - ranging from new signage and a parking area as well as ways to limit vehicle access to the interior grounds. New features could range from a site for a camp host, a covered stage and a dog park. Details on the plans are available at: shorturl.at/exAEU.

will provide all of the tools needed for planting.

on the calendar event for November 6th.

To register, go to: www.mckenzievalley.org/volunteer and click

Auditors say, despite complaints, ODOT handled wildfire cleanup well

Report recommends improved communication and training

By Julia Shumway
Oregon Capital Chronicle

A report released last Wednesday by state auditors largely praises how the Oregon Department of Transportation handled debris removal after the largest natural disaster in state history.

The transportation department and the contractors it hired to remove tens of thousands of damaged trees from along 120 miles of state highways in the Santiam Canyon and McKenzie River Valley after catastrophic fires in 2020 have been under fire for the past year as employees and onlookers alike reported that the state chopped more trees than necessary.

That criticism sparked a limited review of the wildfire cleanup by the Audits Division of the Secretary of State's office, which concluded that the transportation department moved quickly to clear debris left by wildfires and overall did well.

The agency, however, can improve before another disastrous fire season, auditors found.

"This report shows that in this extremely difficult crisis, ODOT was building trust," Secretary

of State Shemia Fagan said during a press conference Wednesday. "ODOT learned and adapted through the cleanup, and ODOT's current efforts are clearing the way for Oregonians to rebuild their homes, their businesses and their communities."

Fagan said one of the main findings from the audit was that many of the trees removed across the burned areas were cut by groups other than the transportation department and its contractors. Utility companies sent crews out to

remove damaged trees that got in the way of reconstructing power lines, and both individual and commercial landowners were free to cut trees on their property as they wished, according to the report.

Auditors said they could find no reliable figures for how many trees were cut down between September and December 2020, or who did the cutting. Between January and August of this year, the transportation department and contractors

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ODOT

Letters to the Editor

Starns for Governor

Significant reforms in areas like healthcare and environmental protection will be impossible to achieve until big money is removed from Oregon politics. Despite the fact that voters supported Measure 107 and it was declared constitutional, the legislature has yet to impose any limits. Campaign finance reform is needed to ensure that our elected officials are representing the interests of the people who elected them, not the interests of wealthy individuals and businesses who gave large sums of money to their campaigns.

Patrick Starns has made it one of his primary priorities. Billionaires will be able to buy our democracy if campaign finance reform is not implemented. Because they have so

much money, billionaires support politicians and groups. Bribing corrupt politicians with significant sums of money is a simple way for affluent climate change opponents to get control of the situation. As a result, the politician's prospects of being elected and passing climate-discriminatory legislation have improved. They rig elections and destroy popular legislation in Congress, causing global catastrophe. It's completely repulsive.

Patrick Starns, as Governor of Oregon, can work with legislators like Peter DeFazio to end big money in politics, allowing Oregonians to raise their children in a beautiful, safe environment. As a result, I'll be campaigning alongside Patrick Starns for Governor of Oregon in 2022.

Devon Lawson
Walterville

Guest Opinion

Workers can be protected when they face extreme heat and smoke

By Jamie Pang

As a result of climate change, the United States experienced a particularly dangerous and hot summer this year. New record highs were set all over the country and the Pacific Northwest was particularly hard hit.

As of September 2021, according to the National Weather Service, the state of Oregon had a record 88 days over 80 degrees (considered the high heat threshold for our state) and suffered through three triple-digit heat domes.

In June, temperatures reached 124 degrees and more in some areas of the state.

Simultaneously, the state Department of Environmental Quality repeatedly sent out air quality warnings for southern and central Oregon due to wildfire smoke, as we experienced another record wildfire season. By July 2021, KGW reported, over 1,000 wildfires had burned 60 times the amount of acreage burned the same time last year.

Our daily experience in Oregon now confirms what science has been telling us for years. The climate crisis is making heat waves and wildfires more intense and more frequent. The combined crises are endangering everyone, but frontline workers experience higher risks.

During the June heat dome, a migrant farmworker named Sebastian Francisco Perez died alone while laying irrigation pipes. Heat exhaustion also claimed the lives of construction workers, and increased risk and injury for numerous outdoor workers and elderly individuals living alone.

There have been over 100 deaths in Oregon due to heat illness, thousands of emergency room visits, and 254 complaints

submitted to Oregon OSHA in the three-day span in June just for excessive heat exposure.

Our new reality is that every summer millions of U.S. workers will be exposed to heat and wildfire smoke in their workplaces. Essential jobs with high exposure levels, such as agricultural labor, bus drivers, and warehouse workers, are disproportionately held by Black and Brown workers. These same frontline essential workers get paid less than white-collar workers and have more risk exposure, yet they are expected to work in very hot or smokey environments with no employer provided protective equipment.

The disproportionate harm that excessive heat and smoke have on essential workers is entirely preventable. Spurred by the death of Sebastian Francisco Perez, Oregon Occupational Health and Safety Organization (OSHA) made great strides this summer by enacting three emergency rules to address worker exposure to excessive heat and smoke.

These safeguards are activated once the heat index reaches 80 degrees, and apply to both indoor and outdoor workplaces. They require common sense protections, like providing access to shade and cold drinking water. When temperatures spike above 90 degrees, additional measures kick in, including mandatory paid 10-minute breaks and active monitoring for heat illness.

The rules enacted by Oregon OSHA mean that Oregon currently has the most protective standards in the nation for excessive heat. And, since the temporary rules were enacted, there were no known deaths in the workplace due to excessive heat or smoke during August's triple digit heat wave.

But these rules are not yet permanent and apply only in Oregon. And it is still unclear whether 10-minute breaks are significant enough to reduce harm for the

most physically demanding jobs.

Oregon's rules have proven successful thus far. They should become the baseline for permanent rules in Oregon, and for the nation. Oregon OSHA is currently evaluating the efficacy of the emergency rules with plans to announce permanent rules in the coming months.

Nationally, we were excited to see that the Biden Administration launched a coordinated, interagency effort to respond to extreme heat and consider national worker protections from extreme heat and wildfire smoke, citing specifically the climate change and the heat dome recently witnessed in the Pacific Northwest.

While details of the national effort are still forthcoming, the White House's press release noted that the protections, like Oregon's, will also cover indoor and outdoor workers, and plans to prioritize heat-related interventions and workplace inspections on days when the heat index exceeds 80 degrees.

Federal rule making can take years to complete and lives are on the line. What is adopted here in the West will undoubtedly influence national protections in the years to come.

Sadly, summers are likely to get hotter until we make more progress to reduce climate pollution, so we must act to protect vulnerable workers from the impacts of climate change.

We are proud that Oregon has taken an initial role as a leader on protecting workers from heat and smoke, and Oregon OSHA should set a model for the nation by adopting even stronger protections than what is currently included in the emergency rules.

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inspected nearly 94,000 trees and chopped just over 62,000. That's about 70% of the total trees that need to be removed, according to the department.

"Oregonians who were going along who thought that in general too many trees were being removed might have been noticing the additional private tree removal, which obviously ODOT doesn't have control over," Fagan said.

The review found that the department sought to do more to conserve trees than recommended by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Under the federal guidelines, a damaged tree should be removed if it could obstruct a roadway by falling within the next five years while the state agency uses a three-year timeline to reduce the number of trees felled.

The transportation department also prefers continuing to monitor trees on the cusp of becoming safety risks rather than cutting too early, auditors reported. About 750 trees that were originally saved may need to be reassessed and potentially chopped because of additional stress from this summer's extreme heat and drought, the report said.

Auditors recommended that transportation department officials prepare for potential future wildfire cleanups at such a scale by improving internal communication and revising the training required for staff and contractors.

That would ensure they understand how to protect environmental and cultural resources, such as bird nests and historical artifacts, the report said.

The transportation department also needs to improve its process for getting onto private land to remove hazardous materials, auditors wrote. Federal guidelines, which are based on recovery from hurricanes or ice storms, assume private landowners will take debris to the edge of their property for removal, but fire can turn ordinary household or yard materials into carcinogens.

Auditors also recommended that the agency find a bench of Oregon-based contractors who can be called on in future disasters. The state employed more than 160 contractors to remove debris this year, but the largest contracts went to out-of-state companies that traverse the country to clean up after natural disasters.

Mac Lynde, deputy administrator of the transportation department's delivery and operations division, and Frank Reading, the department's wildfire cleanup area commander, welcomed the report's conclusions in an attached letter.

"The unfortunate reality that Oregon may experience another devastating wildfire event in coming years is not taken lightly," the two wrote.

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McKenzie Sports Schedule This Week

The McKenzie Middle School Cross Country teams travel to Monmouth on Sunday, October 31 to participate in the Stumptown Running Middle School Cross Country Championship. The meet will be held on the campus of Western Oregon University. The Girls Super Champs 3,000 meters race starts at 1:00 pm, the Boys Super Champs 3,000 m. race begins at 1:30 pm, the Girls 3,000 m. Champs race follows with a 2:00 pm start and the last race of the day will be the Boys 3,000 m. Champs race, starting at 2:30 pm.



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WEATHER REPORT

READINGS TAKEN AT THE US ARMY CORPS COUGAR DAM					READINGS TAKEN AT EWEB LEABURG POWERHOUSE				
Date	High	Low	Rain	Releases	Date	High	Low	Rain	Riverflow
10/19	59	39	0	900 cfs	10/19	54	40	0.01	2,340 cfs
10/20	57	48	0.02	900 cfs	10/20	66	45	0.15	2,340 cfs
10/21	63	47	0.63	880 cfs	10/21	60	44	0.01	2,340 cfs
10/22	51	47	0.72	860 cfs	10/22	71	47	1.55	3,450 cfs
10/23	52	46	0.22	830 cfs	10/23	56	48	0.47	3,580 cfs
10/24	53	44	0.64	750 cfs	10/24	57	49	0.20	3,860 cfs
10/25	54	45	0.33	640 cfs	10/25	55	41	0.56	4,190 cfs

Friday 10/29

McKenzie Valley Partly Cloudy 40% chance precip High: 62 Low: 45
Santiam Pass Am Showers 40% chance precip High: 49 Low: 34

Saturday 10/30

McKenzie Valley Partly Cloudy 20% chance precip High: 62 Low: 42
Santiam Pass Partly Cloudy 20% chance precip High: 47 Low: 29

Sunday 10/31

McKenzie Valley Showers 20% chance precip High: 62 Low: 45
Santiam Pass Partly Cloudy 10% chance precip High: 46 Low: 31

Sheriff's Report

Oct. 18: 10:58 a.m: Disturbance, Dispute - 50900 blk, McK. Hwy. Caller reported a verbal dispute at the location. Deputies made contact and determined things had calmed.

2:56 p.m: Subpoena Service - 89000 blk, Twin Firs Rd.

3:27 p.m: Driving While Suspended - 44900 blk, Leaburg Dam Rd.

5:17 p.m: Assist, Follow Up - 51700 blk, McK. River Dr.

5:27 p.m: Assist, Follow Up - 51700 blk, Blue River Dr.

Oct. 19: 7:57 a.m: Suspicious Conditions - 8400 blk, Shotgun Creek Rd. Caller reported that people associated with a white Toyota Tundra were possibly hunting in a closed area.

4:55 p.m: Traffic Hazard - 35200 Camp Creek Rd.

6:01 p.m: Reckless Driving - Marcola Rd. & Old Marcola Rd.

7:01 p.m: Citizen Contact - 44900 blk, Leaburg Dam Rd.

7:52 p.m: Traffic Hazard - 35200 Camp Creek Rd.

Oct. 20: 4:41 a.m: Alarm - 36700 blk, Keller Ln.

11:03 a.m: Suspicious Condi-

tions - 47800 blk, McK. Hwy. Caller found cigarette butts on his property.

3:00 p.m: Welfare Check - Marcola Rd. & Old Mohawk Rd.

3:37 p.m: Suspicious Conditions - Hill Rd. & Sherra Ln. Caller reported that someone spray-painted 'heroin' on the asphalt with an arrow pointing to a nearby house.

5:31 p.m: Assist, Follow Up - 55000 blk, McK. River Dr.

10:33 a.m: Subpoena Service - 7300 blk, Thurston Rd.

Oct. 21: 3:10 p.m: Citizen Contact - 40500 blk, McK. Hwy.

4:44 p.m: Safety Hazard - Marcola Rd. & Camp Creek Rd.

7:02 p.m: Tree Down - Marcola Rd. & Kelso Ln.

9:09 p.m: Suspicious Vehicle - 36800 blk, Camp Creek Rd.

Oct. 22: 10:19 a.m: Reckless Driving - 44900 blk, Leaburg Dam Rd.

10:57 a.m: Reckless Endangering - Log Creek Rd. & Marcola Rd.

12:19 p.m: Arrest - 88500 blk, East of Eden Rd.

3:56 p.m: Tree Down - Marcola Rd. Milepost 17.

9:46 p.m: Warrant Service - Marcola Rd. & Parsons Creek Rd.

10:50 p.m: Threat, Harassment - 88900 blk, Easy Ln.

Oct. 22: 1:22 a.m: Alarm -

36700 blk, Keller Ln.

3:18 a.m: Theft - Terwilliger Hot Springs.

5:03 a.m: Alarm - 39200 blk, McK. Hwy.

5:55 a.m: Tree Down - Marcola Rd. & Moss Rd.

10:57 a.m: Reckless Endangering - Log Creek Rd. & Marcola Rd. Caller advised that a neighbor shot the caller's dog. Deputies made contact with the neighbor who advised that the dog was attacking animals on the neighbor's property. Forwarded to Lane County Animal Services.

2:45 p.m: Citizen Contact - 91800 blk, Mill Creek Rd.

Oct. 23: 10:19 a.m: Repossessed Vehicle - 41400 blk, McK. Hwy.

11:30 a.m: Threat, Harassment - 88900 blk, Easy Ln.

11:25 p.m: Theft - 55400 blk, McK. River Dr.

1:04 p.m: Suspicious Conditions - 39500 blk, McK. Hwy.

3:12 p.m: Citizen Contact - 55000 blk, McK. River Dr.

3:44 p.m: Vehicle Stop - Horse Creek Rd. & McK. Hwy.

3:57 p.m: Citizen Contact - Horse Creek Rd. & McK. Hwy.

4:38 p.m: Disturbance, Dispute - 91300 blk, Marcola Rd.

5:55 p.m: Tree Down - Marcola Rd. & Moss Rd.

7:06 p.m: Welfare Check - 87300 blk, Cedar Flat Rd.

7:23 p.m: Motor Vehicle Accident, No Injury - 90500 blk, Hill Rd.

9:35 p.m: Attempt To Locate Drunk Driver - Marcola Rd. Mp. 12.

Oct. 24: 3:18 a.m: Theft - Terwilliger Hot Springs.

5:03 a.m: Alarm - 39200 blk, McK. Hwy.

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State Police Report

Oct. 18: 10:47: Crash, Injury - Hwy. 126E, Milepost 19. Troopers dispatched to report of a single motor vehicle crash, unknown injury. Investigation revealed a silver/aluminum 2007 Toyota Tundra was traveling eastbound when for unknown reasons the Toyota left its lane of travel and struck the guardrail above an embankment. The Toyota continued down a steep embankment and came to rest just above a body of water. The operator was transported to the hospital, via ambulance. Involved: 60-year-old male from Springfield.

Oct. 24: 01:54: Crash, Non-Injury - Hwy. 126e, Mp. 10. Troopers were dispatched to a reported single vehicle collision. A silver/aluminum Chevrolet truck left the roadway, striking a utility pole before coming to a rest on the eastbound shoulder. No injuries were reported. The driver consented to perform Field Sobriety Tests. Troopers determined the driver was not impaired and provided him a courtesy transport to his residence. Involved: 40-year-old male from Springfield.

McKenzie Fire & Rescue

Oct. 18: 10:42: 42000 block, McK. Hwy. Motor Vehicle Accident, Unknown Injury 10:42 Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

12:03: 39000 blk, Deerhorn Rd. Medical, General. Patient Assisted to Vehicle.

Oct. 19: 8:52: 51000 blk, Blue River Dr. Burn Pile. Permitted burn, No Emergency.

17:10: 35000 blk, Camp Creek Rd. Medical, General. Patient Assessed, No Transport

Oct. 20: 8:56: 40000 blk, McK. Hwy. Medical, General. Patient

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Upper McKenzie Fire/Rescue

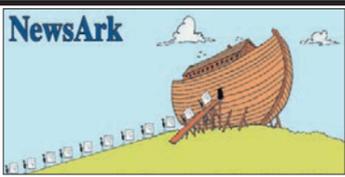
Oct. 19: 21:17: Medical - 54000 block, McK. River Dr. Female, Conscious, Breathing.

Oct. 20: 16:45: Brush Fire - McK. Hwy./Milepost 34. Fire in hills, approximately 50 x 20 square feet.

Oct. 25: 15:48: Brush Fire - McK. Hwy./Mill Creek Rd. 2 - 4 stumps on fire.

16:31: Motor Vehicle Accident, Injury - McK. Hwy./Aufderheide Dr. Single vehicle into the ditch.

The Upper McK. Fire District board of directors will hold its monthly meeting on Wednesday, November 17th, at the McK. Fire Station, 56578 McK. Hwy. in McKenzie Bridge, at 7 p.m.



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Thought about the 2005 **Mom, Woman & Business of the Year?**

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 Santiam Pass: Mostly Cloudy - 20% Partly Cloudy - 30%
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Lighting honors troops



DEERHORN: "Support Our Troops" is the theme of this year's decorations on the Bridge Street Bridge. Volunteers from the Deerhorn Ranch Area Community Organization (D.R.A.C.O.) were busy last Wednesday, assisted by a boom truck from the Eugene Water & Electric Board.

"This is the sixth year the lights have gone up and there is now more than basic lighting according to DRACO president Iles Sandstrom. We are especially thinking of them and their families and wish them all the very best," said, reflecting on the salute to the troops. "Features on the bridge are lighted ribbons and other decorations to reflect the season."

Time for Toys for Tots campaign



From left: Firefighter Mike McCall, Lieutenant Jim Ellis and Firefighters David Sherwood promoting the Toys for Tots Program.

WALTERVILLE: McKenzie Fire & Rescue continues its tradition of supporting the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve's Toy for Tots Program. The Fire Department is local point of contact for the collection of toys for needy children this holiday season. New, unwrapped toys can be dropped off at the collection receptacle at the Walterville Station, 38925 McKenzie Highway.

Mariners pick up, sort and store toys in a central warehouse. As Christmas nears, the Mariners and local social service agencies will distribute the toys. "While the Mariners organize, coordinate

Crowds jam Holiday Bazaar



WALTERVILLE: Community cooperation was in full swing last Saturday when the annual McKenzie Christmas Bazaar was held in the Walterville Community Center. The event, held for years in the Leaburg Community Center before it was demolished, was sponsored by the Vuka Community Center.

Art, crafts and gift booths completely filled the main hall and spilled over into the dining room as well. Hot dogs, chili and a variety of homemade soups were on the lunch menu topped off by a range of pie and cakes of all flavors.

Other features of the event included an extensive list of raffish items totaling over \$2,000. Donated items included rounds of golf, dinners, overnight stays at resorts, and gun memberships.

Another big draw was the sale of commemorative covered bridge coins that marked the 100th anniversary of the first tunnel - depicting the Goodpasture covered bridge.

Santa was popular with children who stopped by to go over their gift wish lists. Among them were Lane, Bruce Loflin, 4, and Gus Loflin, 6, of Deerhorn.

Commissioners seek 100 year commitment

EUGENE: A compact between forest counties, schools and the federal government that began nearly 100 years ago is in jeopardy, prompting the Lane County Commissioners this week to appeal directly to the President of the United States.

On Wednesday, Commissioners unanimously passed a resolution requesting the President to continue honoring a commitment to counties by funding the extension of Secure Rural Schools and Self-Determination Act. The resolution was adopted 5-0 and immediately sent to the White House. Secure Rural Schools' sunset is 2006 unless extended by Congress.

The act provides Lane County, which once relied heavily on timber dollars, with roughly \$50 million each year to support local schools, forests, roads, and public safety through federal safety net payments.

Lane County is 88 percent forest land with nearly 55 percent acquired as federal forest reserves. The creation of these federal reserves in 1905 left significantly less land for economic development and tax base in certain counties with large

tracts of undeveloped forests. The historical compact acknowledges the obligation of the federal government to contribute to the cost of local government services in exchange for gaining a national forest system that all Americans enjoy.

Without reauthorization, Lane County's "general fund" - the primary resource for sheriff's patrol, adult and youth corrections and prosecution - will be reduced by at least 20 percent; the county road fund will be cut in half.

"By making a direct appeal to the White House, we are making it clear that we need the President's help in convincing Congress to fund safety net payments for seven more years," said Anna Martens, chair. "We are the first county in Oregon - perhaps the nation - to formally request the funding be included in the President's next budget proposal."

Companion bills - HR 517 and S 207 - were introduced earlier this year to extend the safety net program through 2013. Both bills have bipartisan, bicameral sponsorship and have received favorable treatment in testimony before Congressional committees.

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Prizefighter, politician, con artist, shanghai man

By Finn J.D. John

Sometime around 1897, complaints suddenly started pouring into the headquarters of shipping companies in Liverpool and Hamburg from the captains in charge of their ships. It seemed something new was happening in the faraway American port city of Portland.

It seemed the local sailors' boardinghouses operators — known as "crimps" — had suddenly started playing dirty. Once a ship arrived in port there, the sailors would all vanish — and the ship wouldn't be leaving the city until its captain had paid thousands of dollars to the owner of the boardinghouse in which they were staying.

Though the skippers had always had to pay "blood money" bonuses to the crimps to get crew members, they'd never before had to pay so much, for so many men. It was costing the skippers a lot of money. And the few who protested quickly found it cost them plenty more; it seemed as if the entire city of Portland was in on the scam. Complaining to the police got a skipper, at best, nothing — and at worst, an expensive delay in port while legal matters were sorted out and possibly even a little time in the local hoosegow, usually followed by a sudden increase in the crimps' fees.

All the captains knew exactly who was to blame for this dreadful new turn of events. It was the premier boardinghouse owner in Portland: Larry Sullivan.

"You cannot believe how these fellows are working," wrote the captain of the German ship Alsterufer, in December 1900. "It almost seems as though they hold the whole law and authorities in their hands. Sullivan himself said to the German consul, 'I am the law in Portland!'"

A hard-fisted, clever con man Larry Sullivan was an enigmatic Portland character who was far and away the most successful of Oregon's shanghai artists — a



The West Shore magazine
A street view looking toward the waterfront from Second Street along Washington Street in downtown Portland, in 1886. Larry Sullivan's notorious boardinghouse was ten blocks to the left of the artist's viewpoint in this work, at Second and G (Glisan) streets.

clever con man with friends in high places, who also happened to be an active and successful brawler. It was he who engineered Portland's reputation as the worst port on the world for a ship to visit, around the turn of the century. He did this by forging the city's unruly collection of crimps into an exclusive business cartel, and by establishing political connections that gave his cartel the local political cover they needed to shake those skippers down.

Lawrence Mikola "Larry" Sullivan was born in St. Louis during the Civil War, and came out to Astoria when he was around 20 years old. It's not clear why he came to Oregon; chances are pretty good that he was running from something, since Oregon was at the time the jumping-off place of the West — the farthest corner of the country in which one could hide out without having to live in a hermit's cabin.

Astoria's No. 1 prizefighter ... but not Portland's
Larry was already an accomplished prizefighter when he arrived in Astoria, and quickly set about punching his way to the top of the local boxing scene. At that

time, prizefights were big stuff in Oregon towns; they were a public spectacle that folks came around from all over to see and place bets on, and top prizefighters were like rock stars.

The problem was, it wasn't the sort of gig a fellow could plan to retire from. Much of it was done the old-fashioned way — with bare knuckles, under London Rules, which means each round keeps going until one of the boxers hits the deck. It's a tough way to make a living.

This wasn't so much a problem for Larry in Astoria, where he was pretty much the best fighter in town and wasn't getting defeated much. But when Larry moved to the bigger city of Portland, he suffered a couple painful defeats and at least one pyrrhic victory — a bloody 75-round marathon brawl — that has to have left him considering other options.

So Larry changed occupations. He joined forces with some friends from Astoria — brothers Peter, Alex and Jack Grant, whose father had been a pioneering shanghaiier there — and opened his sailors' boardinghouse in a big old warehouse, deep in the North End.

Shanghai Larry

In the late 1800s, there were several of these in Portland,

including Jim Turk's place and, later, "Mysterious" Billy Smith's joint on the East side of the river. Boardinghouse operators, or "crimps," tended to be either professional boxers or simply excellent fighters, because the sailors they housed were often reluctant to fulfill their contractual obligations to go back out to sea when it was time. Larry's early training made him a great fit for his new career.

And it was an open secret that all crimps, when their boardinghouses were empty and a ship needed a man, took a bottle and some knockout drops and went looking for a rube to shanghai.

As a "boarding master," Larry was successful almost immediately. What distinguished him from the rest was not so much his fighting ability as his political skill. Larry Sullivan is the one who figured out what a great political asset a sailor's boardinghouse is. Sailors in the house are welcome to vote, sometimes over and over and over, and to go around from ballot box to ballot box and do it all again. The waterfront was full of transient guys with no local ties, who could vote as often as they liked without anyone ever being able to trace them.

Precinct Boss Larry

Larry soon was a part of state Rep. Jonathan Bourne Jr.'s smoothly rolling "free-silver Republican" political machine, delivering bales of votes for Bourne and his friends at every election. Bourne was also a member of the three-man Portland Police Commission, which means this alliance gave Larry law-enforcement cover — a key component in what he was about to do next.

By about 1897, Larry was ready to make his move. Through his political connections, he had the support of pretty much the entire local law-enforcement community. The harbor master, whom he'd jumped and beaten nearly senseless back in '93, was now disinclined to give him trouble. Through his careful cultivation of the local district attorney, he had an even more

Prizefighter, politician - Page 8



By Slim Randles

Mickey Baker has owned The Strand — our local movie theater — since the new releases starred Virginia Mayo. The Strand, naturally, is an icon here. More than a few of our long-lasting marriages in the area began with a first date there. Most of us have consumed more than our share of Raisinettes and Jujubes while watching Duke Wayne whip the bad guys. We know every inch of The Strand.

We know where the rips are in the used-to-be blood-red carpet, which of the seats don't fold all the way down, which seats are most secluded in case it's a smooching date. It was ol' Dud, back when he was about four feet tall, who discovered how to combine chewing gum and the lock on the back door to provide five-finger discounts for friends wanting to watch Victor Mature run around in a loincloth. The Strand, in other words, is a vital part of our past, if not of our lives today.

We seem to just go rent those tapes and disks now and stay home and watch the newer films when we feel like it, and that might be because we now appreciate being able to stop the action for an occasional bathroom break now and then.

Attendance dropped dramatically when home entertainment really hit a lick. But Mickey fought back. He tried the free popcorn route for a while. All he charged for was the butter. Attendance didn't really pick up, and the popcorn bill was ... well, appreciable if not staggering.

Mickey now thinks he has the answer. He bought a disk player thingie that works on a big screen. Then he bought some old movies and lowered the price.

The first night he did this was a triple header, and we all turned out to see our old heroes vanquish Nazis, solve the bank robbery in Cactus Gulch, and find out who really killed the big-city mayor. We paid too much for popcorn, but who cares?

The Strand lives on, even if there is more gray hair there than at a Percheron horse show. Besides, when was the last time you saw The Duke standing 15-foot tall?

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Gardening Tips

By Kym Pokorny



Oregon State University

OSU Extension Service

Get color from poinsettias in time for the holidays

Holding onto poinsettias after the holidays is good for the pocketbook but hard on the ego when you can't get them to color up the next year.

Experts at Oregon State University Extension Service say now's the time to start coaxing poinsettias back into color and bloom for December. Sensitive to day length, the poinsettia needs a certain minimum amount of darkness each 24-hour period to stimulate blooming in the winter. With the shorter fall and winter days in Oregon, the plant has a natural tendency to bloom in spring, when there are about equal amounts of dark and light.

If the plants are exposed to lights inside the home, they won't receive enough darkness to start

blooming and could stay green through winter.

To make a poinsettia bloom in early winter, indoor gardeners simply need to adjust the amount of light and darkness to "fool" the plant.

In mid- to late October place your poinsettias in a completely dark area from 5 p.m. to 8 a.m. daily until red color starts to develop on the flowers or "bracts."

This can take quite a while. People often forget to cover the plant one or two nights. Interrupting the darkness by even a few minutes may cause failure of the coloring.

Bring the plant to ordinary light after the bracts show color. You may have better luck if the bracts are almost fully expanded before bringing the plant out. Once the plant has large, colored bracts, the artificial light inside a house will not inhibit a poinsettia's blooms.

Here's a general time line for "coloring" the poinsettia:

Mid- to late October – Begin giving poinsettias long nights (darkness from 5 p.m. to 8 a.m.). Cover with a cardboard box or black plastic bag or place it in a dark closet.

Mid-November – Color should be showing in the bracts.

Early December – Bract color should be almost complete. Plant can be brought out into ordinary light.

December until February – During this "forced" bloom, keep the temperature between 60 and 70 degrees. Poinsettias are particularly susceptible to cold.

Let the plant receive as much sunlight as possible during the day. Water regularly and thoroughly and let water drain through. Never allow a plant to stand in water.

Leaves may wilt if the plant is too dry, too wet or exposed to a draft.

Throughout winter, fertilize once a week with a water-soluble fertilizer at half strength or less. Over-fertilization will cause the leaves to drop.

Keep plant away from hot or cold drafts.

Yellowing of foliage may indicate insufficient light, over-watering or lack of nitrogen. Generally, a slight correction of the environment will correct any of these symptoms.

After blooming, the plant's bracts and leaves will begin to fall naturally. Discontinue fertilizing and reduce watering. Cut the plant back to 6 inches. Water only enough to prevent the stem from shriveling. When summer rolls around, replot the poinsettia if necessary.



McKenzie Fire & Rescue

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Assessed, 1 Transported.

16:52: McK. Hwy. Mp. 34 Brush Fire. Logging Slash Piles.

Oct. 21: 2:48: 88000 blk, Twin Firs Rd. Medical, General. Patient Refusal.

17:55: 39000 blk, Deerhorn Road Mistaken Alarm. False Alarm, No medical care needed.

Oct. 22: n/a: 42000 blk, McK. Hwy. Medical, Trauma. Walk-in Patient, with laceration on arm.

16:11: 45000 blk, Goodpasture Rd. Medical, General. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

Oct. 23: 14:17: 89000 blk, Bridge Street Fire Alarm. False Alarm.

Oct. 24: 1:54: McK. Hwy./Collins Ln. No- Blocking/Non-Injury.

7:41: 39000 blk, Deerhorn Road Medical, General. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

9:28: 38000 blk, McK. Hwy. Down Line. EWEB on Scene, Handling.

15:09: McK. Hwy./Cedar Flat Rd. Down Line. Same broken pole from previous alarm.

18:03: 39000 blk, Easton Ln. Medical, General. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

McK. Fire & Rescue will hold its monthly Board of Directors meeting the Monday, November 15th, at noon, at the Leaburg Training Center, 42870 McK. Hwy.

Sheriff's Report

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9:29 a.m.: Fire, Down Line - 38200 blk, McK. Hwy.

12:00 p.m.: Theft - 55400 blk, McK. River Dr.

4:13 p.m.: Civil Service - 91500 blk, Dearborn Island Rd.

4:28 p.m.: Civil Service - 54600 blk, Caddis Ln.

Oct. 25: 4:05 p.m.: Assist, Follow Up - 51700 blk, Blue River Dr.

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Country Kitchen

By Mary Emma Allen



THE TRADITION OF APRONS

At her bridal shower, my granddaughter, who enjoys cooking, received a lovely red apron with delicate hand embroidery from a relative of her husband-to-be. She thought it almost too precious to wear when she was cooking, so may preserve it in a shadow box. She learned that in his family, it's a tradition to give a bride an apron like this.

In days ago, a cook wouldn't think of being seen in the kitchen without her apron. Mother had a number of these. Some were the old-fashioned, full bib ones that covered her from chest to skirt hem. Others tied around the waist and covered her skirt.

I recall both grandmothers always wearing the full coverage aprons to keep their dresses clean. Yes, they always wore dresses, never slacks.

Then when Mother or my grandmothers entertained guests, they wore aprons of finer fabric. These also might have embroidery on the hems and pockets.

Why Did Women Wear Aprons?

Traditionally ladies wore aprons to cover their dresses when working at home. In days before electricity and modern washing machines, it was very time

consuming to wash clothes. So the longer one could wear a dress, the easier it was.

Also, clothing often was expensive, so an apron helped give longer wear. Young girls and their mothers wore aprons. Sometimes they had matching ones.

However, as washing methods became easier and clothing less expensive, aprons saw less use. Slacks and dungarees (jeans) became common apparel rather than dresses around the home.

RICE WITH CHEESE & TOMATOES can be served as a meal in itself accompanied by salad. Or it may be a side dish.

Sauté in 3 tablespoons cooking oil, or olive oil: 1 chopped medium onion, 3 stalks chopped celery, 1 chopped green pepper. Stir in 2 cups cooked or stewed tomatoes, 3 cups cooked rice, 1 cup shredded cheese (more if desired), with 1/2-teaspoon salt, dash of black pepper.

Simmer over low heat until the cheese has melted. Some cooks like to add 1 cup cooked and seasoned ground beef before simmering.

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(Mary Emma Allen writes from her NH home.)

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In Lane County, weekly online courses will run from January 31 through March 31, followed by outdoor hands-on workshops between April and June (various dates). The cost of the Mas-

ter Gardener Volunteer training is \$200 tuition plus a \$150 refundable deposit (deposit refunded upon completion of MG volunteer commitment). To apply go to the OSU Extension Service Lane County webpage (<https://extension.oregonstate.edu/mg/lane/become-master-gardener-volunteer>) and download the application form, call 541-344-5859 for assistance, or drop by the OSU Extension office at 996 Jefferson St. in Eugene. Application deadline is November 15, 2021.



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Direct Answers

By Wayne & Tamara Mirchell

His Best Excuse

My husband and I are in counseling, but I feel better talking to someone else about my problem. You sound very down to earth. Can you help me?

I am a few years older than my husband. This is a second marriage for both of us and we have been married 10 years. My two children are almost grown, and his daughter is a teenager who spends every other weekend with us.

Our step situation has been rocky. My husband gave up on being a parent to my children years ago, though they are basically great kids. He has also had an affair.

He knew when he married me that I couldn't have any more children because I had a partial hysterectomy when my youngest was a baby. In the past several years it has hit him hard that he wants more children of his own. I tried hard to get him to think about adoption. I would love to raise a child together with him with no other parent involved.

How can I get my husband to think about adopting more seriously? Any advice would be greatly appreciated. I can't imagine going through another divorce.

Lisa

Lisa, your husband has fathered one child and passed on the opportunity to parent two others.

Now he claims he wants the one thing he has always known you can't give him, another child. He is not talking about an unfulfilled dream of his or an opportunity he never had. He has had both.

Like any good magician, he is using misdirection to divert your attention from the real issue. That issue is the same issue which presented itself when he cheated. He thinks he wants another woman, and he thinks he has found a way to get out of your marriage without saying it.

Saying he wants more biological children sounds almost plausible. But what matters most to him is that this well-crafted excuse lets him off the hook and puts the blame on you.

As long as you give credence to his excuse you are playing into his hands. He has things so well set up that divorce seems like the only possible and logical solution to the problem. You need to call him on it. You need to take away his excuse because it is not only unsolvable, it is untrue.

Wayne

March Ice

Recently I met a woman who is going through a divorce. She is very friendly. It seems like the beginning of something.

Starting any kind of relationship with someone going through a divorce makes me rather apprehensive. A little voice keeps telling me this may be a mistake.

I feel like I am walking on March ice. What do you think?

Brad

Brad, you've heard the March ice crackling under your feet. Don't stand around questioning what you heard, head for solid ground!

Each of us has an instinctual inner voice that protects us from danger, even when we aren't paying attention. When you hear that voice, listen. It sees, it senses, it knows something we have missed or overlooked.

Before your learning kicks in, before you second guess yourself, before you let friends, family and social considerations make a decision for you, your inner voice is there. Who is that inner voice? The inner voice is you.

Wayne says every mistake he ever made came from not listening to his inner voice. I feel the same way. Nothing you can purchase, no three stage program or seven step plan will ever replace or be as valuable as your own inner voice. Life becomes so simple, and so much happier, when you learn to listen to and follow your inner voice.

You heard your "little voice" loud enough to write this letter. You've been warned. Believe it. Or someday you may hear another little voice saying, "I told you so!"

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.

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American Life in Poetry

By Kwame Dawes

Craig Santos Perez packs into this love sonnet, "Love in a Time of Climate Change", echoes of many famous love poems, from Robert Browning's "How Do I Love Thee (Sonnet 43)", to Shakespeare's "Sonnet 18", to Neruda's "Sonnet XVII". In the title, he alludes wittily to Gabriel Garcia Marquez's novel, Love in the Time of Cholera. But to what end, one may ask? To remind us of the persistence of love through times of catastrophe and change over the course of history, and to remind us that in clever and sensitive hands, a "recycled" love song can seem fresh current and deliciously urgent.

Love in a Time of Climate Change

By Craig Santos Perez

I don't love you as if you were rare earth metals, conflict diamonds, or reserves of crude oil that cause war. I love you as one loves the most vulnerable species: urgently, between the habitat and its loss.

I love you as one loves the last seed saved within a vault, gestating the heritage of our roots, and thanks to your body, the taste that ripens from its fruit still lives sweetly on my tongue.

I love you without knowing how

or when this world will end. I love you organically, without pesticides. I love you like this because we'll only survive

in the nitrogen rich compost of our embrace, so close that your emissions of carbon are mine, so close that your sea rises with my heat.

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A Moment in Oregon History

By Rick Steber
(www.ricksteber.com)

October 28 - Earl Snell was born and raised in Eastern Oregon. He fought in World War One, and after returning home he opened an automobile dealership and began to dabble in politics. He was ultimately elected as Oregon's 23rd governor. On October 28, 1947 Governor Snell, along with Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell, Jr. and President of the Senate Marshall E. Cornett, had scheduled a duck-hunting trip to Southern Oregon. As they were departing Salem in a Beechcraft Bonanza a reporter asked Governor Snell if he had any fear of flying. The Governor laughed and replied, "My mark isn't up yet." That afternoon, in a severe storm, the plane crashed in Lake County near Dog Lake, killing all aboard.

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Prizefighter, politician

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vital ally there. And he had forged an alliance — a sometimes rocky alliance, but a working one — with the other powerful crimps in Portland and Astoria, and forced the smaller and newer operators out of business with his fists.

It was time to make the ship captains pay. And next week, we'll talk about how he went about doing that.

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This portrait of Larry Sullivan shows him at age 43. It's from the program of the notorious Gans-Nelson boxing event he was promoting at the time, in Goldfield, Nevada, shortly after he left Portland.

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