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Berschauer recall group says it's reached signatures goal

By NICOLE MONTESANO Of the News-Register

Save Yamhill County, the coalition of county residents urging the recall of county Commissioner Lindsay Berschauer, announced this week it has exceeded the number of signatures required.

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The group was required to collect 6,873 signatures of registered county voters; it announced Thursday that

it had collected more than 7,500.

Yamhill County Clerk Brian Van Bergen told the News-Register in August that the required number of signatures must equal 15% of the 45,820 votes cast in the county for governor in the last election for a four-

year term.

Save Yamhill County has until Monday, Nov. 1, to submit signatures. It said it plans to continue collecting signatures through Sunday Oct. 31, "to ensure that every eligible Yamhill

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Jubb gets probation

By PAUL DAQUILANTE Of the News-Register

Sex abuser and former Linfield College Trustee David Jubb pleaded no contest to two counts of sexual harassment in Yamhill County Circuit Court Thursday afternoon.

Pleading no contest to the Class A misdemeanors means that Jubb accepts the convictions but avoids a factual admission of guilt on each charge.

The convictions are the lesser-included charges of

third-degree sexual abuse, part of the original grand jury indictment, that also included five additional counts of third-degree sexual abuse and one count of first-degree sexual abuse, all of which were dismissed.

Multnomah County Judge Eric Bergstrom, acting on a plea agreement negotiated between Deputy District Attorney Alisa Ray

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Kristof running for top state job

Journalist and political newcomer joins Democratic governor field

By KIRBY NEUMANN-REA Of the News-Register

Yamhill's Nicholas Kristof will run for governor.

Kristof, 62, confirmed Wednesday what the 1977 Yamhill-Carlton High School graduate had been considering for weeks. He formalized his candidacy with a media appearance outside a Portland church, saying repeatedly, "I believe we can do better."

The long-time journalist and two-time Pulitzer Prize winner framed himself as the political outsider in his Wednesday morning campaign announcement. Speaking at the First Presbyterian Church in downtown Portland — "an emotional place for me," he said — Kristof stressed education reform, underscoring the need to improve pre-K and early intervention programs, and his goal of developing green industries through the formation of what he termed a "climate tech hub."

Kristof spoke briefly before taking questions, his wife, Sheryl WuDunn, and mother, Jane Kristof, at his side.

"I wish my father was here, and in some ways I feel like he is," Kristof said of Ladis Kristof, who fled Armenia in 1952 and was supported by the Presbyterian congregation. Kristof said the congregation made possible his father's education and advancement to profes-

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Marquee Moment

Local partnership plans to reopen theater, historic hotel

The Mack Theater marquee has been an iconic marker in downtown McMinnville since the 1940s. Marcus Larson/News-Register

By STARLA POINTER Of the News-Register

A group of local businesspeople will breathe new life into the Mack Theater, which has been closed for 15 years, and the historic Hotel Yamhill, which has been empty for five decades.

The intertwined structures at Third and Evans streets, along with the Macy Building that contains retail shops along Evans and Second streets, have been purchased by a new partnership:

Charles Hays, Bob Komin, and the team behind the Atticus Hotel and Third Street Flats, Erin Stephenson, Brian Shea and Ben Perle.

They said they plan to turn the former movie theater into an entertainment venue and "completely renovate and modernize the hotel while retaining its historic character."

The project currently is in the planning stage, with the start of renovations at least a year away, they said.

It will bring jobs and support the local econ-

omy, urban renewal district, and tax base. In addition, "the properties will further cement McMinnville as a visitor destination, bringing more tourism dollars to the community," the new owners said.

Dave Rucklos, director of the McMinnville Downtown Association, called the purchase and renovation plans great news. "What an asset," he

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Dayton farmer seeking seat on county commission

By NICOLE MONTESANO Of the News-Register

Dayton farmer Kit Johnston says he'd like to bring balance back to the Yamhill County board of commissioners, and to get the county to bring some weight to bear on water issues.

Those fall under the jurisdiction of the state Water Resources Department, but people frustrated by concern

over water frequently bring them to the county first — usually to the county planning commission, on which Johnston has served for the last year.

The county, he said, can, and should, advocate to the Water Resources Department for water conservation measures such as encouraging capture of winter rainfall for summer use, and providing

better education about water issues to the public, and to farmers.

"It's a state level thing for sure, but as a county we can have a voice, and let them know this is what our citizens and farmers are concerned about," Johnston said.

Johnston has filed for the May primary election in 2022 for the seat currently held by Commissioner Casey

Kulla, whose term expires in January 2023. Kulla has said he plans to run for governor in 2022. He confirmed his intentions this week.

Johnston is the first candidate to announce he is running for Kulla's seat. Bernadette Hansen of McMinnville said in August she plans to run against Commissioner Mary

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Johnston

Advertisement for Troon Vineyard's New Tasting Room, featuring a photo of the interior and contact information for Branch Geary Design + Build.

Advertisement for Community Events, listing Ghost Post Haunted House, McMinnville Community Hospital 6th Reunion, and 72nd Annual Dinner.

Advertisement for Mari's Magic, featuring a photo of a soccer player and text about a winning goal during a regular season finale.



Advertisement for NE Gateway District, featuring a photo of a house and text about a tiny house retreat taking shape on Alpine Avenue.



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## WEATHER

### McMinnville area

**FRIDAY**



**H 56**  
**L 42**

Rain,  
NNE winds 5 to 10 mph

**SATURDAY**



**H 59**  
**L 42**

Sunny,  
NNE winds 10 to 15 mph

**SUNDAY**



**H 59**  
**L 42**

Sunny,  
NE winds 5 to 10 mph

**MONDAY**



**H 52**  
**L 45**

Rain,  
winds light and variable

**TUESDAY**



**H 57**  
**L 47**

Light rain,  
winds light and variable

**The Sun**

	Sunrise	Sunset
Fri.	7:48 a.m.	6:04 p.m.
Sat.	7:49 a.m.	6:02 p.m.
Sun.	7:50 a.m.	6:01 p.m.
Mon.	7:52 a.m.	5:59 p.m.

### Local climate, past 7 days

	High	Low	Precip.
Thursday	65	51	.32
Friday	59	51	.20
Saturday	58	48	.31
Sunday	60	51	.12
Monday	56	50	1.15
Tuesday	57	49	.92
Wednesday	57	50	.69
<b>Actual Oct. to date</b>	<b>6.02</b>		
Average Oct. 1-31	1.30		
<b>Actual year to date</b>	<b>23.18</b>		
Average year to date	24.87		
Average Jan.1-Dec. 31	39.74		

Recorded at McMinnville Airport at 5:30 a.m. daily. M=missing data.

### Historical temperatures

Oct.	High	Low	Precip.
Average	66	42	1.30
Extreme	95	20	9.33

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### Temperature extremes

Oregon extremes for the 24 hours ending at 5 a.m. Thursday:  
**High temp:** Roseburg.....63  
**Low temp:** Lakeview.....34  
**High precip:** Astoria.....0.71  
 Source: National Weather Service

### Local warnings

No advisories are in effect for Yamhill, Lincoln, Tillamook counties. Source: Weatherbug.

### Tides at Yaquina Bay

	High tide	Low tide
<b>Friday</b>		
8:28 a.m. (6.5)	1:11 a.m. (1.2)	
7:20 p.m. (6.5)	1:41 p.m. (4.4)	
<b>Saturday</b>		
9:16 a.m. (6.9)	2:11 a.m. (1.2)	
8:39 p.m. (6.6)	2:53 p.m. (3.7)	
<b>Sunday</b>		
9:57 a.m. (7.4)	3:08 a.m. (1.1)	
9:46 p.m. (6.9)	3:53 p.m. (2.8)	
<b>Monday</b>		
10:33 a.m. (8.1)	3:59 a.m. (1.0)	
10:46 p.m. (7.4)	4:42 p.m. (1.6)	

## Historic

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said of the properties.

"Bringing them back to their former glory though the responsible care and vision of this local, independent and seasoned team is absolutely the best outcome we could have asked for," Rucklos said.

Jeff Knapp, director of Visit McMinnville, added, "These types of investments in our community have positive ripple effects, felt throughout our local economy for generations to come."

**The theater, hotel and 5,352-square-foot Macy Building** comprise the west end of the 500 block of Third and Second streets, bordering Evans Street.

Many rumors have surfaced about the buildings, especially the once-popular theater, since a "For Sale" sign went up in March. The initial asking price for all three buildings was \$2.3 million.

The property was owned by Anderland LLC. The firm's principal partner, Gary Anderson, died in September 2020.

Anderland extended the deadline for bids from mid-April to May, then removed the for sale sign from the marquee.

Gary Kerwood, one of the managers of the property since 1999, said in early summer that the property was not currently on the market. He would not give any details prior to the announcement of the new partnership on Thursday.

Diane Anderson, co-manager of Anderland LLC with her late husband and Kerwood, called parting with "these wonderful properties" bittersweet. But she said she is "thrilled to pass the keys over to this passionate and visionary team."

**Stephenson, Shea and Perle** compared the renovation project to the opening of the Atticus, located at Fourth and Ford streets. It led to the creation of more than 50 jobs, an increase in visitor spending of more than \$10 million a year and an increase in local transient lodging tax revenue, they said.

"While these all contribute to economic development in McMinnville, more than anything we feel drawn to helping revive the crown jewels of our community — the Mack Theater and the Yamhill Hotel," Stephenson said. "We're excited to keep this part of the city's history intact for many years to come."

She said the theater is especially valued by community members, who remember watching movies and going there on dates. "The constant longing to see the lights go back on over the years has been palpable," said Stephenson, a McMinnville native.

Hays also grew up in McMinnville, and his family

owned a shoe repair shop down the block from the theater. His sister, Linda Hays, is the owner of Hopscotch Toys.

He said he dreamed for years about buying the Mack, and is excited to have found the right partners to make that dream a reality.

**The hotel was built in 1886** by L.H. Cook and is on the National Register of Historic Places. First called the Cook Hotel, then the Commercial House, and finally Hotel Yamhill, it contains 11,365 square feet on three floors; the street level houses Serendipity ice cream and Thistle restaurant.

A local historian said some of the hotel's rooms were used for housing by the week or month in the middle of the 20th century. It has been closed since 1971.

When the 6,500-square-foot theater was built next door, its lobby was carved out of the first floor of the hotel in the 1940s, Kerwood said. State-of-the-art when it opened, it also closed in 1971 for a time, then reopened in the mid-70s.

The space includes offices, a projector room, restrooms and the large auditorium where movies were shown until 2006. In its later years, Kerwood said, it often offered older movies since its market was not large enough for first-run attractions.

The theater's auditorium also has been used for events, such as speakers' presentations during the UFO Festival.

When the Mack closed, a group of citizens made an effort to raise money for its purchase and renovation, according to Patti Webb, former MDA manager.

The effort never came to fruition, but it showed how much the community valued the theater.

"It's a special building," Webb said.

Stephenson agreed. "The building itself is beautiful and full of so many happy memories for people," she said. "It's a space that's ultimately about coming together and having fun through a shared experience, in the simplest of ways."

Just this week, a lively

discussion on a McMinnville Facebook page reflected the continuing interest in the Mack Theater and Hotel Yamhill.

People wondered if the space was available for rentals and when it last was used. A few said they'd heard the old hotel was haunted.

Several posters suggested that the Mack be reopened for dinner and a movie, or

as a taphouse and wine bar. Others called for a music venue, a convention center or a space for learning technology and the arts.

"It's extremely iconic," one woman posted.

Screening films will no longer be the main attraction inside the theater, but under the new owners, the Mack and the Hotel Yamhill will be occupied once again.

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## EVENTS CALENDAR

### SATURDAY, OCT. 30

**Trunk-or-treat:** The Sheridan Japanese School will hold a COVID-safe Trunk-or-treat event from 4 to 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at the parking lot of the school, 430 S.W. Monroe St., Sheridan. Masks are required. There will be games, prizes and candy. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call Todd Dimmitt at 503-843-3400 or email [ToddDimmitt@gmail.com](mailto:ToddDimmitt@gmail.com).

### MONDAY, NOV. 1

**Choir concert:** Fall Choir Concert, Linfield University, 7 p.m., Delkin Recital Hall, in the Vivian A. Bull Music Center. Concert is free, check [linfield.edu/arts](http://linfield.edu/arts) for attendance details, or call 503-883-2275.

### WEDNESDAY, NOV. 3

**Soup for charity:** Christine Kirk and Brooke Geelan will prepare Soup Au Pistou, which will be served from 4 to 7 p.m. at Elena's Wine Bar, Third and Ford streets, McMinnville. \$10, with proceeds going to support

Juliette's House child abuse assessment and prevention center.

### THURSDAY, NOV. 4

**Ski Bus:** Sidonie Winfield will hold an information session for the Mt. Hood Meadows Yamhill County Ski Bus at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, at Pinot Vista Tasting Lounge, 448 N.E. Third St., McMinnville. There is no cost to attend the information session. For more information, contact Sidonie Winfield at 503-435-9426 or [Winfield.sk@gmail.com](mailto:Winfield.sk@gmail.com).

**Vaccines:** Virginia Garcia will be offering Flu and COVID-19 vaccines to the public from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 4, at its Willamina School-Based Health Center, 1100 N.E. Oaken Hills Drive, Willamina. The event is open to the public. No identification or insurance required. COVID-19 vaccines are available for ages 12 and older and flu vaccines are available for age 6 months and older. A \$50 grocery gift cards with COVID vaccine. For more information, visit [virginia-garcia.org/Vaccine/](http://virginia-garcia.org/Vaccine/).

## LIVE MUSIC

### FRIDAY, OCT. 29

**Jefferson Parks Band:** The McMinnville Grange; 7:30 p.m. \$7.

**Mick Overman:** McMenamins Hotel Oregon, McMinnville. 7:30 p.m. 21+

### SATURDAY, OCT. 30

**John Nilson:** McMenamins Hotel Oregon, McMinnville. 7:30 p.m. 21+

**CANCELLED:** TLC: Spirit Mountain Casino

### WEDNESDAY, NOV. 3

**Dan Seymour:** Pinot Vista, McMinnville; 5 p.m.

### FRIDAY, NOV. 5

**Coyote Willow:** McMenamins Hotel Oregon, McMinnville. 7:30 p.m. 21+

**Hayley Lynn:** Elizabeth Chambers Cellar, McMinnville. 5:30 p.m.

### SATURDAY, NOV. 6

**Jenny:** McMenamins Hotel Oregon, McMinnville. 7:30 p.m. 21+

**Mike Vaughn:** The Horse Radish, Carlton. 6 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY, NOV. 10

**Dan Seymour:** Pinot Vista, McMinnville; 5 p.m.

### FRIDAY, NOV. 12

**John Bunzow:** McMenamins Hotel Oregon, McMinnville. 7:30 p.m. 21+

### SATURDAY, NOV. 13

**Folkslinger:** McMenamins Hotel Oregon, McMinnville. 7:30 p.m.



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## ALONG THE STREET

## Olioteca presents month-long celebration

Durant at Red Ridge Farms olive mill, Oregon's only commercial olioteca — olive oil producer — will host its 13th annual Olio Nuovo Festival during November.

The festival will be held at 5430 N.E. Breyman Orchards Road, Dayton, where the Durant family has been growing grapes and olive trees for decades.

It will include a series of cooking classes, gardening workshops, olive oil tastings and the release of new oil and Durant Vineyard's new 2018 Brut Sparkling Wine, a weekend marketplace featuring local food producers, a wood-fired food cart, and live music on weekends.

Tours of the olive mill, the only one in Oregon, will be offered at 10 a.m. daily. Cost is \$10 and advance registration is required.

The Durant tasting room also offers a complimentary olio nuovo — freshly milled extra virgin olive oil — sampling bar from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

The cooking class series costs \$120 and is open to the first 12 people who register in advance. Chefs will teach a variety of dishes that make us of fresh olive oil.

Classes include: Fresh Pasta Making with Chef Leta Merrill, 6 to 8 p.m. Nov. 3; Italy meets Japan with Chef Megan Barrie, 6 to 8 p.m. Nov. 10; Traditional Tuscan Supper with Chef Paolo Calamai, 6 to 9 p.m. Nov. 24.

Oysters & Olio Happy Hours will be offered from 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturdays, Nov. 13, 20 and 27. Cost is \$30 per person per session; reservations are recommended. Oysters, olive oil and Durant Vineyards Brut will be featured.

Gardening & Craft Workshops cost \$85; reservations are required. They include: Wire, Moss & Vine Cornucopia Workshops, 10 a.m. or 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13; Evergreens Hanging Basket Workshops, 10 a.m. or 2 p.m. Saturday Nov. 27.

Admission is free to the local marketplace events from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on November weekends. Food trucks, live music and local produce and products will be featured.

The Durant business was founded by Penny and Ken Durant and now is run by their son, Paul Durant.

The property at Red Ridge Farms, Dundee, includes Durant vineyards and tasting room, lodging, a boutique plant nursery/gift shop, gardens, and nature trail. In 2008, the Durants added Durant Olive Mill, which includes 17 acres of olive trees and a state-of-the-art Italian olive mill.

Paul Durant said he is excited to have an in-person festival this year to introduce more people to its Oregon Olio Nuovo Extra Virgin Olive Oil.

For more information, reservations and a schedule of events, call 503-864-2000, or go to [durantoregon.com/events/olio-nuovo-festival](http://durantoregon.com/events/olio-nuovo-festival).

### Insurance office

Pattie Warner has opened a new Bisnett Insurance office in McMinnville.

Bisnett is an independent insurance company that started in Pendleton and now has multiple offices in Oregon, Idaho and Arizona.

Warner's office is located in the Greater McMinnville Chamber of Commerce building, 319 N.E. Fifth St. She wanted a place where customers come in and work with her face-to-face, she said.

"I enjoy taking care of customers," she said. "I like people and like helping them."

Warner can write insurance policies for personal insurance, such as home, auto, boats, motorcycles and rental dwellings; and for business insurance, such as retail shops, wine shops, contractors, art studios and other commercial enterprises.

She works with a variety of companies, so she's able to find the right insurance for customers at the right place, she said.

She said she also helps with claims. Although most companies let customers make claims directly, she said, it's usually helpful to contact her so she can help start the claim, make sure all the information is provided and follow through so it's handled properly.

"It's always an advantage to have someone advocate for you," she said.

Warner started her career with Oregon Mutual Insurance. Wanting to deal directly with customers, she joined an independent insurance company. She worked for Payne West prior to opening the Bisnett office.

She can be reached at 971-925-8495.

### Tommy's open

Tommy's Restaurant, 1947 N.E. 99W in McMinnville, has reopened after being closed for several weeks earlier this fall.

The restaurant has been a favorite for breakfasts and lunches in McMinnville for more than four decades. It is open from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

For more information, call 971-412-0695.

### American degree

John Stables Jr. of the Amity High School FFA Chapter has earned his American Degree, the highest honor available to youths in the FFA program.

He spent 479 hours performing community service, raised and invested \$38,500 and spent 4,394 hours on dairy cattle, meat goats and diversified livestock projects in earning the degree.

He is one of 3,863 FFA members in the nation to earn the award, which goes to fewer than 1% of all members of the organization. According to FFA leaders, they showed "the utmost dedication to the organization through their desire to develop their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education."

Stables was awarded the American FFA Degree at the 94th National FFA Convention & Expo Oct. 27-30.

He and other recipients each received a gold American FFA Degree key and certificate.

### Portuguese event

Coehlo Winery in Amity is planning "A Night in Portugal," with Coehlo wines paired with a five-course Portuguese dinner, for Dec. 11. Cookbook author Ana Patuleia Ortins will prepare the meal and Faco star Ramona Vieira will sing.

For reservations and more information, call 503-835-9305.

### New tax address

Medrano Tax has moved to 2019 N.E. Highway 99W, a newly constructed building near Tommy's Restaurant and Centro Chiropractic Clinic.

Owner Raul Medrano offers personal, business, corporate and partnership tax services in both English and Spanish. He offers business consulting, as well, and he and an employee also now are offering accounting and bookkeeping.

Medrano moved to McMinnville in 2004 from the Los Angeles area. He had been on a mission, then graduated from California State University-Long Beach, where he studied accounting, switched to education, then returned to accounting to finish his degree.

During college, he also worked as a teaching assistant for two years.

He started his own business in 2005, specializing in accounting and tax preparation. He said about 85% of his clients speak Spanish and, as a Latino himself, he's pleased to be able to communicate with them and understand both their language and culture.

Medrano Tax is open seven days a week during the tax season, January through April or May. Until then, the office is open by appointment at 503-583-1172.

### Dentists moving

Smile Keepers, also known as Gentle Dental, will move its offices from downtown McMinnville to the north part of town in November.

The office will be closed



**McMinnville Eye Clinic optician Pamala Somers places sets of eyeglasses in their proper place while she and other employees prepare for their new building's grand opening.**

Nov. 12 to 17, then reopen under the Gentle Dental name at its new address, 2275 N.E. 27 St. in a building that once held Bedmart.

The full-service dental office has three dentists and several office staff members. It accepts all types of insurance, including the Oregon Health Plan, office manager Lori Jackson said.

The office is taking new patients.

The office is located at Eighth and Evans streets. For more information and appointments, call 503-472-3147.

### What's going up

Here are some commercial building projects underway in Yamhill County:

■ Remodeling soon will be wrapped up at Farnham Electric, 1050 N.E. Lafayette Avenue. Employees have been working out of trailers on the parking lot during the updating process.

■ Remodeling is underway at the Ferryman Building in downtown Lafayette. The old building has been cleaned out and it's being repainted and spruced up.

■ Ground has been broken for four new buildings at 1245 N.E. Alpha Drive in McMinnville's Industrial District. Located on nearly three acres, the buildings will contain 16 units available for lease, including 10 that are nearly 2,000 square feet each and six that are 3,200 square feet. Construction is expected to start in the spring.

■ Workers have installed seismic reinforcing in the Heider Building on Bridge Street in downtown Sheridan, which is being converted into retail space on the first floor with eight apartments on top. The brick structure was built in the 1920s, but an older wooden building went up on the spot in the late 1800s; it burned in the devastating 1913 fire that destroyed much of Sheridan's business district.

■ McMinnville Eye Clinic's new office at 2445 N.E. Cumulus Avenue has opened. Patients now can receive cataract surgery and other treatments on site, in addition to eye exams and other services.

■ Work continues on Linfield University's new science complex. Memorial Hall was razed and Graf Hall gutted to allow for construction of a new building and remodeling of the old classrooms, offices and lecture hall. With larger spaces for study and research, the new complex is expected to open in fall 2022.

■ The first three tiny

home lodgings are going up at Ninth Street and Alpine Avenue, home of the new Boutique Retreat Wine Country Vacation Cottages. Sarita Springer and Kevin Kump are owners and developers of the complex, expected to open in the spring of 2022.

■ Construction continues on the Granary Row food court building at 1039 N.E. Lafayette Avenue, in McMinnville's urban renewal district. Chae Jordan Pak is developing the space, which will house four micro-restaurants with a common eating area.

■ Homeward Bound Pets is continuing plans and fundraising for its new pet shelter building adjacent to its current buildings on Loop Road, near the McMinnville Airport.

### Wine for fire relief

Stoller Wine Group of Dayton and Furioso Vineyards of Dundee are among wineries that contributed to a new wine blend that will benefit efforts toward wildfire relief and prevention.

Union Wine Company of Tualatin is releasing the limited run of Oregon Pinot noir Cuvee. A to Z Wineworks of Newberg also participated in the project, along with Bjornson Vineyards of the Eola/Amity Hills, Ponzi Winery of Sherwood, and Willamette Valley Vineyards, based in Turner with a presence in Carlton, McMinnville and Dundee.

Proceeds from 100% of sales will go toward helping Oregon forests recover from wildfires and allow fire victims to rebuild and prevent future occurrences.

Twenty percent will go to the Keep Oregon Green Association. The nonprofit has promoted healthy landscapes and safe communities through education since 1941. It will use funds from the Cuvee to increase awareness of the need to prevent human-caused wildfires — 70% of wildfires in Oregon are human-caused, according to Keep Oregon Green statistics.

The other 80% of the proceeds from the wine will go to the Oregon Community Foundation's Community Rebuilding Fund, which is helping communities affected by fires in 2020 and 2021.

Stoller Wine Group was happy to collaborate in the effort, said Melissa Burr, vice president of winemaking for the company. "At Stoller, we have a deep appreciation for our land and desire to support our community," Burr said.

The wine is available at

select New Seasons Market and Market of Choice stores, the participating wineries' tasting rooms, or online through Union Wine Company's website at [unionwinecompany.com](http://unionwinecompany.com).

For more information about wildfire prevention, go to [www.keeporegongreen.org](http://www.keeporegongreen.org).

### Rates declining

The Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services expects Oregon employers to pay less for workers' compensation coverage in 2022 than in 2021.

DCBS officials said it will be the ninth year of average decreases in the base rate insurers use to determine how much employers must pay for medical costs and lost wages.

They attributed the cost decreases to the success of the Oregon workers' compensation system, which includes programs to control costs, maintain good worker benefits, ensure employers carry insurance for their

**Keck Hall foundation takes shape at Linfield College along with preparations to connect the structure to the remodeled Graf Hall. Demolition continues through mid-November in the Graf basement and stairs as well as the slab on grade wall. The project remains on schedule for December 2022 completion. The first classes in the new building are scheduled for January term 2023.**

workers and improve workplace safety and health.

DCBS said employers, on average, will pay 97 cents per \$100 of payroll for workers' compensation costs in 2022. It is \$1.02 per \$100 this year.

Employers' total cost for workers' compensation insurance includes the pure premium and insurer profit and expenses, plus the premium assessment. Employers also pay half of the Workers' Benefit Fund assessment, which is a cents-per-hour-worked rate.

To check the annual Oregon average pure premium rate changes and average changes by industry, go to [www.oregon.gov/DCBS/cost/Documents/pure-premium-rate.pdf](http://www.oregon.gov/DCBS/cost/Documents/pure-premium-rate.pdf).

### Chamber Greeters

Real Deals on Home Decor, 125 N.E. Highway 99W, will host the McMinnville Area Chamber of Commerce Greeters program at 8 a.m. Friday, Nov. 5. Admission is \$1.

For more information, go to the Chamber website, [mcminnville.org](http://mcminnville.org).

The Chehalem Valley Chamber of Commerce will host a Greeters program from 8 to 9 a.m. Friday, Nov. 5, at Northwest Christian Center, 2315 Villa Road, Newberg. For more information, go to [www.chehalemvalley.org](http://www.chehalemvalley.org).

Send business news to [spointer@newsregister.com](mailto:spointer@newsregister.com).

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# Commissioners hire Tyler Smith to defend gun ordinance

*In opposition, Kulla calls law 'blatantly illegal'*

By NICOLE MONTESANO  
Of the News-Register

Yamhill County Commissioners on Thursday voted 2-1 to pay Canby attorney Tyler Smith's law firm up to \$300 an hour to defend the county against a lawsuit by the state Department of Justice, alleging that its ordinance declaring the county exempt from new state and federal gun regulations is illegal.

Commissioners Lindsay Berschauer and Mary Starrett voted to authorize hiring Smith; Commissioner Casey Kulla voted in opposition.

Smith was the attorney who helped write an ordinance for Columbia County that Yamhill County's was based on, and advised the commissioners when the county was discussing it.

Last March, when Sheriff Tim Svenson, County Counsel Christian Boenisch and District Attorney Brad Berry urged the commission to have the courts review the ordinance, or wait to see how it played out in other jurisdictions, Smith encouraged them to pass it without delay.

The ordinance declares that no county resources will be used to uphold state or federal gun laws enacted after February and that any county official attempting to enforce the laws could be fined and subject to private lawsuits.

At the time it was passed, Boenisch told commissioners, "I have a hard time seeing a prohibition to enforce anything other than an attempt to regulate, even if it's only an attempt to regulate locally."

The lawsuit by the state Department of Justice asks the courts to order that state gun safety laws remain in force and enforceable. The lawsuit alleges that the county's ordinance contains provisions that "are unlawful and invalid on their face, because they are preempted by or violate state law."

Starrett said on Thursday that the county had expected a court challenge over the ordinance.

Berschauer took time on Thursday to address a claim that has been spreading on social media, that she is related by marriage to Smith, saying he is married to her ex-husband's cousin, Sherry Berschauer Smith.

"I married into the Ber-

schauer family. I am no longer a Berschauer," she said, but explained that she had chosen to retain her ex-husband's surname for personal reasons.

"I have no direct relationship with Tyler Smith or Sherry Smith," Berschauer said, and asked Boenisch to join her in stating the relationship does not pose a conflict of interest under Oregon law.

"Given what I know about the relationship, it doesn't appear to me that this would be either an actual or a potential conflict of interest, based on what I understand," Boenisch confirmed.

Berschauer said she had also sought the advice of a privately-retained attorney, who had assured her the relationship does not pose a conflict of interest.

Starrett and Berschauer also asked Boenisch to confirm that the county did not pay Smith for his advice to

**"I'm confident in his ability to do a great job."**

**County Counsel Christian Boenisch**

the board of commissioners last spring, and to agree that he was advising the county to hire Smith now.

Boenisch agreed. He noted that Smith has been involved with bringing ordinances concerning gun regulations before county commissioners throughout the state for the last several years.

"I'm confident in his ability to do a great job for the county on this," Boenisch said.

**Smith has been prominent in the county over the past year, not only appearing before county commissioners, but also before the Newberg School Board, which hired him to represent it in August, in what appeared to be a violation of Oregon Public Meetings law. A group of Newberg residents has since filed a lawsuit against the school board over the issue.**

Smith's letter to the county notes that the law firm cannot make a reasonable estimate of how much the lawsuit is likely to cost the county.

"Our normal fees range

## OBITUARIES

### FRANK JEROME MESSINA

Frank Jerome Messina passed away of heart disease Wednesday, October 20, 2021, in McMinnville, Oregon. He was 78.

Frank had a lifelong passion for music, especially for the trumpet. As a young man, he started out as a studio musician for MGM in the '60s. In college, he went on to tour with both The Beach Boys and Paul Revere and the Raiders, playing trumpet, flugelhorn, and providing backup vocals.

His passion led him to become an educator. He completed bachelor and master degrees in Music Education and went on to spend over 40 years in the profession. He taught at numerous schools and universities across Oregon and California, including Culver City High School, George Fox University, and Yamhill-Carlton High School. Frank taught everything from guitar to jazz history, while also being the band director for concert and jazz bands alike.

He's probably most well known in the McMinnville community for the Frank Messina Band, a 16-piece jazz big band. Performing at numerous charity functions and community events, Frank loved sharing music with the community.

One of the charity causes particularly close to his heart was the annual fundraiser for Gallery Theater's Jerry Paine Memorial Scholarship. For 15 years, Frank and his band performed in the USO-style shows, helping to raise thousands of dollars for high school seniors planning to enter the performing arts.

Another reason the USO shows were a favorite of Frank's were because they were a passion project with his beloved wife, Joyce. The two were familiar faces together around Gallery, with Frank serving as music director for over 20 shows. In 2011, they were awarded with the President's Award for their service and dedication to theater.

Family was Frank's other passion in life. Anyone who knew him knew how much loved his family and how proud he was of them. A loving husband, a supportive father, and a wise grandfather, he was equally loved by his family. He is survived by his wife, Joyce; son, Michael; step-children, Mark, John and Audrey; grandchildren, Nicole, Evan and Aaron; and numerous loving family members.

Per his wishes, no formal services will be held. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to Gallery Theater and/or Second Winds Community Band of McMinnville.

We'll love you forever.



### WALT R. AALTO 1938 - 2021

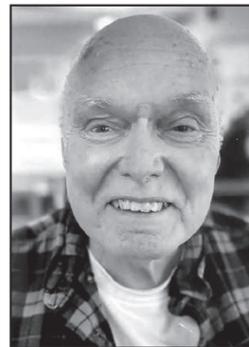
A Child of God

Walt Aalto, born July 5, 1938, was married for 51 years, seven months, three weeks, and one day as of 3:00 the afternoon of October 23, 2021. Father; father-in-law; vaari; brother; brother-in-law; uncle; great-uncle; cousin; friend; tender soul, kind and gracious; an avid reader; Civil War history buff; ABBA and Neil Diamond fan; Master of Divinity degree; Red Sox fan; Labor Room news reporter; sports score and stat keeper; pun humorist; storyteller; bird whisperer; Papa Burgers; vaccinated.

"We are called to be faithful rather than successful"; "Time is the Greatest Gift"; "Well done, good and faithful Servant." Matthew 25:23.

He died the same gracious way in which he lived his life: The Last Wonder Shall be Greater than the First.

Celebration of life planned for April or May of 2022.



### EVELYN B. MUNDINGER 1930 - 2021

Evelyn B. Mundinger was born May 7, 1930, in Pennington, Minnesota, to Frank and Esther Bothman. She grew up on the family farm with four brothers and one sister. She died October 25, 2021, at Elite Care Assisted Living Facility in Tigard, Oregon.

She and Richard Munding were married February 18, 1950, in St. Paul, Minnesota.

She received a Bachelor of Science from Minnesota State University Moorhead in 1957. Richard preceded her in death in 2003. Evelyn lived in Portland, Sherwood and McMinnville, with her last two years at Memory Care in Tigard.

She was a substitute teacher for the Sherwood Public School System from approximately 1969 to 1980. Evelyn loved horseback riding, gardening and golfing. She was a member of the Tualatin Valley Garden Club and McMinnville Garden Club, and a longtime congregant of Zion Lutheran Church, Newberg, Oregon. She was a founding member of the Valley View Riders Club.

Survivors include a son, Todd Mundinger of Portland, Oregon; a sister, Alice Kisslinger of Surprise, Arizona; and relatives in the greater Spokane area. No memorial service will be held. Leave Memory Book messages at: www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/tigard-or/evelyn-mundinger-10417497.

Memorial contributions may be made to the The Alzheimer's Association, Oregon & Southwest Washington Chapter.

### EDWARD ALEXANDER COLLINS 1940 - 2021

Edward Alexander Collins of Albany, Oregon, passed away October 17, 2021. Ed was born July 31, 1940, in Forest Grove, Oregon. After graduating from Yamhill Carlton High School in 1958, he served in the Army National Guard and attended OTI. Ed married Sue in 1960.

Ed was an expert auto mechanic and in the early 1970s became an auto mechanics teacher. Over the next three decades, he taught at Yamhill Carlton High School, Linn-Benton Community College, and McNary High School. Former students often contacted Ed to credit him for their decision to stay in school and helping them on the path to success.

After retirement in 1998, Ed enjoyed woodworking and gardening, taking pride in his fruit trees. He was a member of the Albany Gun Club.

Ed is survived by Sue, his wife of 61 years; daughters, Julie Knowles (Kevin) of Salem, and Brenda Nelson (Bob) of Albany; son, Rusty Collins (Stephanie) of Lafayette, Louisiana; nine grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; sisters, Mary Ann DuRette and Margaret Geyman; and brother, Loren Collins. Ed was preceded in death by his parents, Ed (Sr.) and Lillian Collins; and brother, Warren.

## ONLINE GUEST BOOK

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## Recall

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County citizen has an opportunity to have their voice heard."

Once it does submit them, the clerk's office will have 10 days to verify all of the signatures collected are those of currently registered voters in the county.

Assuming that enough signatures qualify, Berschauer will then have five days to either resign or provide a statement explaining why she should not be recalled.

If she does not resign, a recall election must be held within 35 days, which Van Bergen said would set it around Christmas.

Berschauer has been receiving letters urging her to resign for months, but has said she does not plan to do so. She told the News-Register Thursday she will withhold comment on the matter until the clerk confirms that the necessary threshold has been met.

"The only entity that legally determines if there are enough valid recall signatures to qualify a recall

election is our county clerk," she stated.

**Van Bergen said** the recall election could not be held in conjunction with another election, such as the November general election, and that because he hasn't previously presided over a recall election, he said, it's a little hard to estimate how much it will cost, but added, "Having said that, I am projecting that a countywide recall would cost the county between \$80,000 and \$90,000 dollars."

The last recall election in the county was in 2010, a city election, in which Lafayette voters recalled two city councilors for their efforts to promote water conservation. Van Bergen took office in 2013.

Opponents contend Berschauer has already cost the county tens of thousands of dollars, pointing to her vote, along with that of Commissioner Mary Starrett, to end pursuit of permits to build the Yamhelas Westsider Trail, and her vote with Starrett to enact a "Second Amendment ordinance" purporting to exempt the county from enforcing state

gun regulations passed after last February, despite warnings from the county's attorney that the state was likely to object. The county is facing a lawsuit over that ordinance from the state Department of Justice. On Thursday, Starrett and Berschauer voted to pay a law firm up to \$300 an hour to defend the county in court (see story above). Commissioner Casey Kulla voted in opposition.

**Berschauer's campaign committee**, Friends of Lindsay Berschauer, has recently made payments to a website domain-hosting company, a consulting company and Facebook. She also paid more than \$2,500 to an attorney in early September.

The campaign filing records of Friends of Lindsay Berschauer show she has received \$11,624 in campaign contributions, most of it from 10 farms and individuals in the county who opposed the Yamhelas Westsider Trail, although \$2,000 came from the Boquist Leadership Fund.

The Timber Unity PAC campaign finance transactions also show an additional

\$1,500 cash contribution to Friends of Lindsay Berschauer on Sept. 25; however that donation has not so far shown up on the transactions listed by Friends of Lindsay Berschauer, although Monday, Oct. 25, was the deadline for reporting it.

A mailer sent to voters earlier this month included information from a large public records request made to the county on Sept. 3, by the law firm Sherman, Sherman, Johnnie & Hoyt. On Sept. 9, campaign finance records show the law firm was paid \$1,936 by the PAC for Timber Unity. Berschauer's biography on the county's website lists her as the board director for the Timber Unity Association and in September, Timber Unity's president, Mark Pihl, told supporters that Berschauer was "the only commissioner in Oregon to serve on our board."

The mailer said it was sent in response to the recall efforts, but it also has not so far been listed as a contribution in Berschauer's campaign finance activity.

The same law firm has made several large public records requests to the coun-

ty in relation to the trail. At Berschauer's request, many of the records obtained were placed on the county's website last spring.

**Save Yamhill County** and its campaign committee, Recall Lindsay Berschauer, have collected more than \$26,500 in cash contributions, including numerous \$100 or smaller contributions.

"We started this recall campaign because we believed Yamhill County deserved better representation, and after going door to door, talking to the residents of Yamhill County, it became abundantly clear that many others shared our perception of Lindsay Berschauer's time in the County Commissioner seat. We are honored to have helped along with scores of dedicated volunteers to give Yamhill County voters the opportunity to confirm this recall and pave the way for leadership that will work to meet the needs of all of Yamhill County," said Phil Forve, Chief Petitioner for the recall campaign.

The group has accused Berschauer of "undisclosed conflicts of interest, waste of

taxpayer resources, and lack of ethics" as reasons for the recall.

It has also accused her of doxxing the director of its PAC. Doxxing is the publication of others' personal information for malicious purposes, including details such as home addresses, phone numbers or email addresses.

The recall effort has been endorsed by three former county commissioners: Rick Olson, Stan Primozich and Mary Stern, and by arts patron and winery founder Ronni LaCrout, journalist and gubernatorial candidate Nicholas Kristof, retired Yamhill County Sheriff Lee Vasquez, Marion-Polk-Yamhill Central Labor Chapter AFL-CIO, The Yamhill County Employee Association, Oregon AFSCME Council 75 and the Yamhill County Democrats.

In a recent Letter to the Editor, former commissioner Dennis Goecks said he was among those backing Berschauer, saying it's a mistake to use the "Recall Weapon" against an elected official for keeping campaign promises.



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## NE GATEWAY DISTRICT



Vintage Cottage workers Cory Tomlinson and Mike Morales construct frames for tiny houses at Boutique Retreat, a new lodging facility being developed on Alpine Avenue by Sarita Springer and Kevin Kump, below.

## Tiny house retreat taking shape on Alpine

By STARLA POINTER  
Of the News-Register

Soon visitors — or locals interested in a unique stay-cation — will be able to spend the night in a wee urban loft, a compact farmhouse, or a small slice of Hawaii.

Those themed abodes are located in the new Boutique Retreat, a tiny house-style lodging facility being built in McMinnville's Granary District.

The nine private structures will surround a common courtyard where guests can sit in a gazebo shaped like a grain silo or enjoy a glass of local wine in front of the fire pit.

Sarita Springer and Kevin Kump, who already own several vacation lodgings in the area, are excited to see the Boutique Retreat beginning to take shape on the northeast corner of Ninth Street and Alpine Avenue.

They also own an older house and lot on the southeast corner they plan to use for parking and an office and supply room, as well as a place for staging community events such as live music. They're calling the place "The Starlight on Alpine."

"Kevin and I love historic houses," Springer said. "We like to give them a second life."

In addition, they said, the location is "great for events like the food truck festival" held in the Northwest Gateway District, which is becoming increasingly popular.

One of their current vacation rentals is just down the street — the Northwest House at 1078 Alpine. Guests have told them they've enjoyed the Mac Market, mix of residential and urban uses in the area, and proximity to downtown, restaurants, wineries and breweries.

Each of the Boutique Retreat's 10-by-24-foot



or 10-by-30-foot cottages will have a different theme: coastal cottage, glam cottage, surf shack, Bohemian bungalow, vintage cottage and Mid-Century Modern, in addition to farmhouse, urban loft and Hawaiian "Ohana" bungalow.

Kump and Springer have been collecting all sorts of items to decorate the spaces. They have visited flea markets, antique stores and other venues looking for just the right furnishings.

"We want each to be unique," Springer said.

Each will have a full deck or a private patio and be equipped with a full bathroom and an efficiency kitchen with a coffee maker and toaster.

In addition to the cottages and courtyard, the Boutique Retreat will feature native plants and other flora designed by C&D Landscaping.

"We want people to feel like they're in nature," Springer said. "After they spend the day wine tasting, they can relax with the trees and flowers."

Her partner compared it to comfortable "camping in an

urban retreat."

Rates will probably be in the \$175 per night range when it opens in spring 2022, Kump and Springer said. "Our goal is to fill it," he said.

The couple, who are life partners as well as business partners, have lived in McMinnville full time for about 18 months and part time for more than five years. They first came here for an overnight stay, but kept coming back, they said. "We fell in love with the people, the sense of community and the natural beauty," she said.

The pair chose the spot on Alpine Avenue intentionally for its proximity to so many places visitors want to visit, its walkability and because of the cool vibe of the Northwest Gateway District.

"Convenient, safe, tranquil and fun," Springer said of the area.

"Alpine Avenue is THE spot," Kump said. "It may take a few years for the vision to be complete, but the city is behind it."

They bought the land in 2019 and started working

with the city to make their plans fit with the district's design standards. They secured financing through First Federal and hired a contractor and other partners, such as Farnham Electric.

They hoped to open in 2020, but were delayed by the coronavirus pandemic.

They had hatched the idea for the Boutique Retreat about five years ago after visiting a resort in California that featured themed cabins, vintage trailers and yurts. They also were inspired by places such as The Vintages near Dayton and Caravan, a tiny house hotel in Portland.

Unlike the Caravan and trailer resorts, though, Boutique Retreat's tiny houses will be on foundations, rather than wheels.

"Ours will be permanent," Springer said. "It will really enhance the whole Northwest Gateway."

She and Kump emphasized that they want to direct their guests to "so many great businesses along Alpine" as well as other places in McMinnville. They plan to use as many local suppliers as possible.

## Farmer

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Starrett, whose term also expires in January 2023. Starrett has not yet announced whether she plans to run for a third term.

"I've got some business experience behind me, some common sense, and think I'd be a good fit for it," Johnston told the News-Register. In addition, Johnston said, "I want to protect our land rights and promote our small and local businesses."

Johnston lives in Dayton with his wife, Caralee, and their daughters, Kwynn and Kennadi. Farming has always been part of his life, he said. He grew up helping on his parents' chicken farm, first in St. Paul and later in Dayton.

After his father retired, Johnston continued to run the farm for his parents for another "six or seven years," until 2019. During those years, he had the opportunity to notice the dwindling number of processors in the region.

"In 1987, there was probably five or six different processors," he recalled. "Pacific Foods was our last one that was local. Now it's down to, if you want to grow chickens, it's Foster Farms."

By 2019, Johnston said,

"I've got some business experience behind me, some common sense, and think I'd be a good fit for it."

his father had died, his mother didn't need the farm, and it was getting harder to sell chickens.

Johnston said he didn't particularly want to buy the farm either, noting "Chickens are a twenty-four/seven deal." And he had his own farm; after first buying a golf course in 1999 and operating it with friends, he later bought an apple tree nursery that he still runs today.

"That's what got me into nursery; I dove headfirst into it," Johnston said. "I grew it from 300,000 trees to well over 3 million trees in 13 years," aided by strong demand for apple trees by Washington fruit growers, and a trend toward increasing planting densities.

He waxed almost lyrical describing the rich bounty of berries, stone fruits and vegetables that western Oregon produces, and the proliferation of roadside stands and farmers markets.

"People appreciate it," he said.

Getting out of the chicken business, he said, "freed up a little more of my time to be little more involved."

But that background, he said, and his contacts in the county's farming community, are assets that would serve him well on the board, and serve the community in turn.

Johnston said he believes it's important to have a farmer on the board.

"I appreciate that Kulla's on there and tries to do his best to represent the farming community. Absolutely. Yamhill County's huge into farming," Johnston said.

But he said he also wants to make sure he's listening to county residents in general.

"We need to start making decisions a little bit more down the middle," Johnston said. "I am not a politician, just a farmer, but I think I can bring something good to the board."

Although ostensibly non-partisan, the board has seen a sharp partisan divide in the past year, with commissioners Lindsay Berschauer and Mary Starrett often outvoting Kulla. Berschauer is facing a possible recall effort by county residents who say she has been polarizing and divisive, and has cost the county

thousands of dollars.

"I think I fall in the middle. I'm willing to listen to both sides and make a constructive decision based off what I hear," Johnston said.

He acknowledged that he made sizable campaign contributions to Berschauer in 2020, saying, "As far as I'm concerned, Lindsay was the best decision, for the two candidates she was the best decision."

Kit Johnston Farms contributed \$4,000 to Berschauer's election campaign, and another \$4,000 to Paulette Alexandria, a Republican who ran unsuccessfully for county treasurer, and who now serves on the planning commission with Johnston.

In his announcement, Johnston said he has been farming in the county for more than 25 years.

"With my diverse background in business and farming, I have the mindset and work ethic to be a good addition to the Board of Commissioners," he wrote. "I look forward to the conversations and earning the support of my fellow county residents during this campaign."

## Property taxes due

The News-Register staff

Property tax payments are due by Nov. 15, if owners want to receive a 3% discount for paying in full early. Otherwise, they can pay in thirds, with the first installment due by that date.

The Yamhill County Assessor's Office mailed bills to residential and commercial property owners on Oct. 22.

Information about prop-

erty tax bills, and how to pay, also is available on the Assessor's Office website, [www.co.yamhill.or.us/assessor](http://www.co.yamhill.or.us/assessor). Property owners can look up their bills by number or address.

The Assessor's Office is open weekdays 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., but closed during the noon hour and all day on Veterans Day, Nov. 11. For more info, go to the website or call 503-434-7521.

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**McMinnville Affordable Housing Committee – three (3) open positions.** The Affordable Housing Task Force is a nine-member City Council appointed body tasked with evaluating and implementing an Affordable Housing Action Plan meant to increase housing supply for low- and no-income families. Appointments are for 3 years.

**Historic Landmarks Committee – two (2) open positions (Must live within the Urban Growth Boundary).** The Historic Landmarks Committee is a five-member City Council appointed body that: reviews building and demolition permit applications for a historic landmark, evaluates historic districts, buildings and sites; conducts surveys and inventories of potential historic resources; makes recommendations to the Planning Commission and City Council regarding historic preservation; and promotes historic preservation public awareness for the City of McMinnville. Appointments are for 4 years.

**Landscape Review Committee – one (1) open position (Must live within the Urban Growth Boundary).** The Landscape Review Committee is a five-member City Council appointed body that reviews all required landscape plans for the City of McMinnville. Applicants should have a background in landscape design or architecture and/or horticulture. Appointments are for 3 years.

**Urban Renewal Advisory Committee – five (5) open positions (Two Business and/or Property Owners within the Urban Renewal District and three Residents of the City of McMinnville).** The Urban Renewal Advisory committee is a nine-member Urban Renewal Board appointed committee that is responsible for reviewing, advising, and making recommendations to the McMinnville Urban Renewal Board on matters pertaining to the adopted "McMinnville Urban Renewal Plan." Also serving on this committee are threenon-voting, ex-officiomembers representing the McMinnville Downtown Association, McMinnville Water and Light, and McMinnville City Council. Appointments are for 3 years.

Application forms are available at the Community Development Center, 231 NE 5th Street, or on the City's web page at:

<https://www.mcminnvilleoregon.gov/bc>

**Applications will be received until 5:00 p.m., Friday, November 19, 2021.**

Please contact the City of McMinnville Planning Department, 231 NE Fifth Street, McMinnville, OR 97128, or call (503) 434-7311 if you have questions about this position.



Kirby Neumann-Rea News-Register

**Nicholas Kristof announces his candidacy for governor Wednesday, standing in "an emotional place," the grounds of First Presbyterian Church of Portland. With him are his mother, Jane Kristof, and his wife, Sheryl WuDunn.**

## Kristof

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sonship at Portland State University, where Jane also taught.

"I have no aspiration to be a career politician," Kristof said. "I'm not trying to climb some career ladder. What I want to do is solve problems that I see are holding back this state, holding back people I care very deeply about."

"We have an opportunity to put Oregon on a better track, that better serves people around the state, and that's why I'm running for governor."

Kristof and WuDunn have three grown children and live on the family farm near Yamhill where he grew up. Both are Pulitzer Prize-winners.

"I have never run for political office in my life," Kristof said. "But I have spent a lifetime shining a light in the darkest corners of the globe."

"I exist only because Oregon showed compassion for a refugee — my father. It's that Oregon, the one of hope and opportunity, the one that reveals the best in us, even when things are at their worst that I believe in."

"In many ways my father exemplified the education and opportunity I remember and benefited from as a kid growing up in Oregon," said Kristof, who next invoked the people he and WuDunn wrote about in the 2018 book "Tightrope," which focused on the plight of his childhood friends and school bus mates from his days in the Yamhill school system.

"I took the Number 6 bus every day, and all of us on that bus were full of aspirations and hopes and confident better days would come; and then good jobs left, and many folks self-medicated, and people fell into hard times," he said. "One of my dearest friends from grade school and high school was homeless for seven years, and the five kids who got on the bus behind me each morning have died from drugs and alcohol one after another, and all told more than a quarter of the kids have passed away."

"There are Number 6 buses like that all over Oregon, in urban areas and rural areas alike. I know we can do better. In many ways I think the system has been rigged against many ordinary people in ways I think can say we all recognize, and I think the strategy of changing that and providing more opportunity and better education for people on those Number 6 buses, all over the state, is going to have to involve sending a new kind of leader to Salem."

Asked to describe his policy positions, Kristof said, "So many of the policies we need to address are interchangeable. If you think about homelessness, that's connected to mental health, to educational failure, to the fact that Oregon is short 135,000 available housing units, and acknowledging these issues are related, my priorities would include indeed homelessness and housing affordability."

"Oregon now has the fourth worst homelessness, second highest rate of unsheltered homeless. This is in part driven by lack of access to mental health, short-term housing, and to the fact we are short

135,000 units in ways that drive up prices and affordability. We can do better on the housing front," stated Kristof.

Reporters asked about his lack of political experience, and Kristof countered saying he has lengthy experience understanding problems and issues from his work as a journalist.

"I think that what I do bring is a real life experience working with people who have been at the losing end of some of those struggles and an understanding that we need new and better policies, but also a new and better narrative," he said.

"I think too often we have pointed to people who are struggling and said it's all about personal responsibility. And, sure, let's have the conversation about personal responsibility, but let's also have a conversation about our collective responsibility to help folks, the kind of collective responsibility that helped my dad, helped me, that creates opportunity, especially when kids are involved. It's not just kids who benefit, it's the entire state and community."

"It's going to involve a broader effort to address issues, from homelessness to education to good jobs," he said. "I don't have perfect solutions. These are hard issues. But I do have the willingness to tackle them. But I don't think the political class here has been able to resolve them either. It's true that I'm not a politician. I haven't spent years in office. I'm not a lobbyist. If voters want someone like that, they've got lots of other choices."

Kristof expands the field for the May 2022 Oregon Primary Election.

The former New York Times journalist is the newest name — and a long-expected one — for the Democratic party nomination. State Treasurer Tobias Read and House Speaker Tina Kotek both recently announced their candidacies, and Yamhill County Commissioner Casey Kulla said in July that he would run for the post. (Gov. Kate Brown cannot run again due to term limits.)

Kristof took two steps in the past two weeks that appeared to lay the groundwork for a run he hinted at starting in July. He resigned his New York Times position on Oct. 12 and announced on Oct. 14 that he had formally filed a candidate committee organization with the Secretary of State's office. At both steps, Kristof still stated he had not formally decided to run.

At the Oct. 10 rollout of Kristof Farms' inaugural cider, at the Portland cider bar The Place, Kristof was overheard telling supporters, "Wait for an announcement soon."

**Kristof was asked** Wednesday, "why did you vote so recently in New York if you were going to make this bid for governor here?" — a reference to concerns raised by Portland lawyer Gregory Chaimov in Willamette Week this summer about Kristof's Oregon residency status, and his eligibility to serve as governor, if elected. (As reported by the News-Register, Chaimov has since said he will no longer comment on the topic.)

"I probably should have changed my registration," said Kristof, who was a New York-registered voter through 2019. "I wasn't

focused on the paperwork, I was focused on voting to remove President Trump and support Joe Biden."

Asked if he expects continued challenges on meeting residency requirements, Kristof replied:

"I just don't know. I have to leave it to others to decide. What I do know is I've been an Oregonian since I was picking strawberries and beans in the summer, and that I've had property here, paid taxes, and that I am an Oregonian in my soul and in my bones. And that is why I'm running."

Last month, Kristof responded to the eligibility issue through attorney Mischa Isaak of Portland, who provided the News-Register a memorandum responding to assertions Kristof would not have lived in Oregon long enough to run for the office of governor.

Willamette Week newspaper published an article by Nigel Jaquiss in early August questioning Kristof's eligibility, claiming if Kristof were elected in November 2022 he would not have met the minimum three-year period residing in state.

Kristof asserts he has been a legal resident since November 2019. He has been living, and voting, in New York state, though he changed his voter registration to Oregon in December 2020. He and his family have owned the Yamhill farm since 1971.

**Kristof graduated Phi Beta Kappa** from Harvard College and then studied law at Oxford University on a Rhodes Scholarship, graduating with first class honors, according to his New York Times columnist biography. He later studied Arabic in Cairo and Chinese in Taipei.

He has traveled to more than 140 countries, plus all 50 states, every Chinese province and every main Japanese island. He's also one of the very few Americans to be at least a two-time visitor to every member of the so-called "Axis of Evil" — a term used in the 1990s to refer to Iran, North Korea, and Iraq, as nations accused of state-sponsored terrorism.

After joining The New York Times in 1984, initially covering economics, he served as a Times correspondent in Los Angeles, Hong Kong, Beijing and Tokyo. He also covered presidential politics and is the author of the chapter on President George W. Bush in the reference book "The Presidents." He later was associate managing editor of the Times, responsible for Sunday editions.

In 1990, Kristof and his wife, WuDunn, then also a Times journalist, won a Pulitzer Prize for their coverage of China's Tiananmen Square democracy movement. They were the first married couple to win a Pulitzer for journalism.

Kristof won a second Pulitzer in 2006, for commentary for what the judges called "his graphic, deeply reported columns that, at personal risk, focused attention on genocide in Darfur and that gave voice to the voiceless in other parts of the world."

He also has won other prizes, including the George Polk Award, the Overseas Press Club award, the Michael Kelly award, the Online News Association award and the American Society of Newspaper Editors award.



## 'I'm not sure I want to be a politician'

1974 News-Register profiled the future candidate

By **KIRBY NEUMANN-REA**  
Of the News-Register

Nicholas Kristof's announcement Wednesday gives prescience to a 47-year-old News-Register article.

"Nicholas gets in politics early," reads the May 18, 1974, newspaper's Neighbor of the Week article, with a photo of Kristof, then a Yamhill-Carlton High School freshman.

"At 15, Nicholas Kristof already is on his way to becoming one of our next politicians," states the uncredited article, "although he says, 'I'm not sure I want to be a politician. Maybe I'll go into sociology or political science. It's too early to say.'"

Kristof, who in 2021 describes himself as author and farmer — in addition to gubernatorial candidate — was profiled as a teenager for being a political activist and organizer, not a candidate.

He went on to become a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist, and got his career start with the News-Register, writing about agriculture and local city business in 1975-76 while still a student at Yamhill-Carlton. (His education took him to Harvard and his career took him all over the world with The New York Times as well as publishing numerous articles and books with his wife, Sheryl WuDunn.)

The 1974 feature on Kristof suggested political aspira-

tions that are now official.

In the spring of the year President Richard Nixon would resign from office, Kristof organized a candidates' fair at Yamhill Grade School for county, district and statewide offices. With friends, he sent out press releases as well as letters inviting 60 candidates to attend.

The article states that Kristof was also a member of Common Cause and a parliamentarian of the Democratic Central Committee of Yamhill County — an honorary, non-voting position.

The article indicates Kristof was a familiar name to readers for his letters to the editor on topics including election finance and capital punishment. Asked what prompts him to write letters, Kristof replied, "I just have a political motivation to show people what's right."

The article adds that "Kristof says people feel either apathy about politics or that they're going to get involved. And he's done his share of getting involved. He can't vote until he's 18, but he's worked on so many campaigns — canvassing, researching for candidates and passing literature, that he has a hard time remembering who all he's campaigned for!"

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The 15-year-old political organizer Nicholas Kristof, now a candidate for governor, in the yard of his Yamhill home in 1974.

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# Tattoo shop owner reported missing

The News-Register staff

Jesse Michael McFerran, a Lafayette resident who owns the Fancy Rabbit Art Collective tattoo business, 413 N.E. Third St., in McMinnville, has been reported missing to the Yamhill County Sheriff's Office.

He last communicated with someone at 5:45 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, according to his wife, Victoria Ward.

The last possible sighting of him was in Washington County on Boones Ferry Road between Tonka and Warm Springs streets, Ward said. She said he was wearing a black jacket at the time. A client of his reported the sighting.

McFerran, 38, is described as 6-foot-4, 180 pounds, with brown eyes and a shaved head. He is



McFerran

heavily tattooed, with a bird tattoo on his left cheek. He has a nose ring in each nostril.

Anyone with information regarding McFerran's whereabouts is asked to call Ward at 971-237-8849, or the Yamhill County Communications Agency non-dispatch number at 503-434-6500, and ask for the sheriff's office.

# Trunk or treats, other events planned

The News-Register staff

Numerous trunk-or-treat events and other activities are planned for Halloween weekend.

Many private residents plan to hand out candy. Some will start early, in mid-afternoon, so children can collect their treats before dark.

Trunk or treat events are planned at:

■ Lafayette Community Church, 4 to 6 p.m. Oct. 31, behind the church. For more information, call 503-864-3067.

■ Praise Church, 930 N.E. Third St., 4 to 6 p.m. Oct. 31. It will include games, a bounce house and carriage rides, as well as candy.

■ First Student transportation, 1936 N.E. Lafayette Avenue, McMinnville, 3 to 6 p.m. today, Oct. 29. Games, as well as candy.

■ McMinnville Covenant Church, 4 to 5 p.m. Oct. 31 at 2155 N.W. Second St., McMinnville.

■ Mac Stage, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Oct. 31 in the Second Street parking lot behind the building at 744 N.E. Third St., McMinnville. For information, call 503-680-6728.

■ Yamhill, 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, downtown sponsored by the Yamhill Downtown Association. For more information, call 503-730-6781 or send email to sjharloff@gmail.com.

■ Amity Christian Church, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31.

■ Sheridan Japanese School, 4 to 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at 430 S.W. Monroe St., Sheridan. Donations to support the school will be accepted. For more information, call 503-843-3400.

Other activities include:

■ Vineyard Heights Assisted Living and Cottages, 345 S.W. Hill Road, will host a free drive-through trick-or-treat event on Sunday, Oct. 31. Families can drive through to pick up treats from 3:30 to 5 p.m. For more information, call 503-435-1000

■ The Carlton Business Association is planning a Spooky Parade through the downtown area from 4 to 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31. Businesses on Main Street will give out candy to costumed children.

■ The Evergreen Aviation & Space Museum will host "Halloween Nights at the Museum" Oct. 29-31, with a showing of the movie "Hocus Pocus" at 4:30 and 6:15 p.m., flashlight-led tours of the museum and tall tales of aviation history. Cost in advance is \$15 per adult, \$8 per child 16 and younger, and free to children 5 and younger; go to [www.evergreenmuseum.org/](http://www.evergreenmuseum.org/)

■ Carlton American Legion groups will host the second-annual Halloween haunted house from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Oct. 29-30, at 158 E. Main



Marcus Larson/News-Register

A skeleton trims the grass at Dan and Janisse Griffin's house, where the front yard is filled with corpses and famous Halloween movie characters. The Halloween fans were married on Oct. 31 nine years ago.

# HALLOWEEN LOVE STORY

McMinnville couple goes full ghoulish for their anniversary

By STARLA POINTER  
Of the News-Register

Blood — actually, red fondant — dripped down the sides of Dan and Janisse Griffin's white wedding cake, topped with Frankenstein and the Bride of Frankenstein. When they sliced into the layers at their Halloween nuptials nine years ago, guests, many dressed in ghoulish costumes, saw more blood — actually, red velvet cake.

This is a couple who loves Halloween.

Dan grew up in Iowa and moved to McMinnville about 20 years ago. Janisse, who grew up in Indiana, first visited 10 years ago to see if the sparks that flew when they were dating online would continue burning in person.

They did, torched by their mutual love for Halloween.

"I grew up on a farm, and every excuse we could find to have a bonfire ..." Dan recalled.

Janisse, who grew up in a century-old home in town, loved trick-or-treating and visiting neighbor's haunted houses.

Now the Griffins make a big deal of every Oct. 31. Janisse dresses in costume to hand out candy to children; she'll be a witch or a pirate this Sunday. Dan goes all out



Dan and Janisse Griffin on their wedding day, Oct. 31. Guests dressed as ghouls and shared a "bloody" cake on their special day. Submitted photo

decorating their home on Northwest Eighth Street, near Cypress, with inflatables and other seasonal decor.

Right after Halloween, they always hit the sales to collect more Halloween gear. They've found numerous "Nightmare Before Christmas" items, in addition to witches, ghosts, ghouls, pumpkins and other spooky stuff.

They have quite a few Disney items, too, such as Mickey Mouse dressed as a bat and Minnie as a ghost. "Janisse is a Disney nut," her husband said fondly.

They always celebrate their anniversary appropriately, traveling to a place where ghosts have been reported or another mysterious site.

This year, they marked their ninth year of marriage at Wolf Creek Inn, a supposedly haunted hotel in Southern Oregon. They visited the Oregon Vortex, a spooky covered bridge and a ghost town, too.

"We take turns planning, one of us one year and the other the next," Dan said. "We never know where we're going, but it's always fun."

## COURT RECORDS

### CIVIL FILINGS

**Bank of America vs. Mark A. Cockerham:** Seeks \$5,983 allegedly owed.

**Christopher Joel Schumacher vs. Jacob Michael Baker:** Alleges negligence in an October 2019 motor vehicle crash; seeks \$550,000 in damages.

**Lydia Slanning vs. Dun Jiang, doing business as Asia Buffet:** Alleges negligence in an October incident; seeks a \$400,000 judgment.

**Midland Credit Management vs. Shannon D. Reilly:** Granted a \$1,401 judgment.

**Mt. Hood Corporation, doing business as CRDN of Oregon vs. Christopher A. Durig:** Granted a \$19,195 judgment.

**OneMain Financial Group vs. Amy M. Davis:** Granted a \$4,549 judgment.

**Susan Snell, serving as the personal representative of the Stephen Richard Parker estate, vs. Brian E. Parker and all other occupants of 1104 Evergreen Drive, Newberg:** Complaint for ejectment.

**TD Bank USA vs. Derek King:** Seeks \$707 allegedly owed.

### CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS

**Christopher Lamar Allen, 37, McMinnville:** Sentenced by Judge Ladd Wiles to 30 days in the Yamhill County Jail on a conviction of attempt to commit a Class B felony.

**Ricardo Aquirre-Palomar, 58, McMinnville:** Sentenced by Judge DeAnn Novotny to 24 months probation and fined \$2,000 for violating probation.

**Corey Allen Ballas, 29, Sheridan:** Post-prison supervision sanction forthcoming.

**Feliciana Carolyn Canotal, 28, Sheridan:** Sentenced by Judge Jennifer Chapman to 24 months probation, 80 community service hours, 12-month driver license suspension and fined \$2,000 on a conviction of driving under the influence of intoxicants.

**Michael Loren Hulse, Jr., 53, McMinnville:** Fined \$100 by Judge John Collins on a conviction of second-degree criminal trespass.

**Jesse Ray Johnson, 36, McMinnville:** Sentenced by Judge John Collins to 25 months in prison and 24 months post-prison supervision on a conviction of felon in possession of a firearm; additionally, sentenced by Judge Collins to 15 days in the Yamhill County Jail on a conviction of fail to report as a sex offender.

**Dave Kent, 62, Sheridan:** Sentenced by Judge John Collins to 30 days in the Yamhill County Jail and fined \$2,000 on a conviction of driving while revoked or suspended.

**Sara Marie King, 37, Sheridan:** Sentenced by Judge DeAnn Novotny to 12 months probation, two work crew days and fined \$2,000 for violating probation.

**Krystal Star Larence, 35, Carlton:** Sentenced by Judge John Collins to 12 months probation, 40 community service hours and fined \$100 for violating probation.

**Juan De Jesus Ramirez Lopez, 21, Dayton:** Sentenced by Judge John Collins to six months probation and two work crew days on a conviction of second-degree criminal trespass.

**Burgie Marie Millar, 42, McMinnville:** Sentenced by Judge John Collins to 18 months probation and fined \$100 for violating probation.

**Juan Carlos Monroy, 55, Newberg:** Sentenced by Judge John Collins to 60 days in the Yamhill County Jail, 48 months probation, lifetime driver license suspension and fined \$2,000 on a conviction of driving under the influence of intoxicants.

**Christopher Eric O'Malley, 26, Wilsonville:** Sentenced by Judge DeAnn Novotny to five days in the Yamhill County Jail, 18 months probation and fined \$1,000 for violating probation.

**Zachery Scott Pierce, 33, McMinnville:** Sentenced by Judge John Collins to 30 days in the Yamhill County Jail on

a conviction of first-degree criminal trespass; additionally, sentenced by Judge Robert Herndon to 20 days in jail on a conviction of third-degree criminal mischief.

**Marcos Ramirez-Monge, 27, McMinnville:** Sentenced by Judge DeAnn Novotny to 10 months in prison with the time to be served in the Yamhill County Jail, 24 months post-prison supervision and fined \$200 on a conviction of tampering with a witness; additionally, sentenced by Judge Novotny to 36 months probation and fined \$200 on a conviction of coercion.

**Tanner Drake Robertson, 31, Newberg:** Sentenced by Judge John Collins to 30 days in the Yamhill County Jail, 12-month driver license suspension and fined \$1,000 on a conviction of driving under the influence of intoxicants.

**Kody Michael James Rue, 24, Albany:** Sentenced by Judge John Collins to 30 days in the Yamhill County Jail, 24 months probation and fined \$100 for violating probation.

**Mystique Dee Summitt, 43, Forest Grove:** Sentenced by Judge John Collins to 18 months probation, 80 community service hours and fined \$100 on a conviction of second-degree forgery.

**Jill Marie Thompson, 57, Gaston:** Sentenced by Judge John Collins to 18 months probation, 80 community service hours and fined \$2,000 on a conviction of driving while revoked or suspended.

**Stephen Lawrence Williams, Jr., 40, Willamina:** Sentenced by Judge John Collins to 15 days in the Yamhill County Jail and fined \$2,000 on a conviction of driving while revoke or suspended; additionally, sentenced by Judge Collins to 15 days in jail and fined \$2,000 on a conviction of driving while revoked or suspended.

### DIVORCES GRANTED

**Jennifer Diane Baldwin, Sheridan, and Randy Joseph Baldwin, Vancouver, Washington;** petitioner's name **Henley** restored.

**Rachael Lydia Kubik, Newberg, and Gabriel Antone Kubik, Lake Oswego;** petitioner's name **Bennet** restored.

**Michael Vanpho Kwok, Canby, and Patricia Jane Kwok, Spokane, Washington;** respondent's name **Evans** restored.

**Chantal Ponce, McMinnville, and Alberto Ponce, McMinnville.**

**George Rios-Castro, Sheridan, and Brianna Rose Worthington, Sheridan.**

### MARRIAGE APPLICATIONS

**Sydney Nykol Bailey, 18, hostess, McMinnville, and Christian Michael Owings, 20, construction, McMinnville.**

**Jack Eugene Coley, Jr., 54, human resources manager, McMinnville, and Ruth Lorraine Snyder, 54, waitress, McMinnville.**

**Julie Ann Enders, 40, self-employed, Sheridan, and Tiffany Georgia Sigl, 26, firefighter/paramedic, Sheridan.**

**Michael William Kelly McKinney, 59, heavy equipment operator, McMinnville, and Robin Denise O'Farrell, 50, educational assistant, McMinnville.**

**Sara Zoe O'Halloran, 32, designer, Newberg, and Daniel Thomas Allegre, 29, military, Port Townsend Washington.**

**Robert Douglas Seigal, 77, retired, Gaston, and Betty Lou Long, 72, domestic engineer, McMinnville.**

### PROBATE FILINGS

**Anthony Rick Banta:** Intestate estate admitted to probate; Denise Banta proposed personal representative.

**Jean Adair Person:** Small estate closed; Anne D. Fosen appointed affiant.

**Phyllis June Trunde:** Will entered into probate; Christopher A. Trunde and Jonethen Trunde proposed co-personal representatives.

St. Admission is by donation of cash or a canned food item. Masks and social distancing are required.

■ Today is the deadline for voting for your favorite "Scarecrow on a Lamp Post" on the McMinnville Downtown Association website, [www.macdowntown.com/scarecrows](http://www.macdowntown.com/scarecrows). For more information, call 503-472-3605.

■ Scarecrows also are in display all over Dayton, at private homes, businesses and city agencies. The Dayton Community Development Association is sponsoring the annual contest.

■ Both Bernards Farms and Farmer John's produce stands have pumpkin patches where children can

choose their own pumpkins. They also offer pre-picked pumpkins this month along with other seasonal produce. Both are open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Farmer John's is located at 15000 S.W. Oldsville Road next to Highway 18. For more information, call 503-474-3514.

Bernards Farms is at 18755 Highway 18. Call 503-472-4933.

■ Mac Market, 1140 N.E. Alpine Avenue, will host some special Halloween activities.

Spooky Trivia Night will run from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29. Mac Market owner Diana Riggs said the scene will be set with a fog machine and creepy music, and the questions will follow

a spooky, scary theme.

Also at Mac Market, the Fresh Air Movement will lead a fun family workout on the patio from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 30. Contests and prizes are planned. Halloween cookies for kids and coffee and tea for parents will be served.

Tickets are \$20 for those 3 to 15, \$10 for adults and \$1 for those 2 and younger. For more information, go to [www.freshairmvmnt.com/mac-market-for-kids](http://www.freshairmvmnt.com/mac-market-for-kids).

■ A "Witch Walk" is planned from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at Airport Park. A group called Wild Witches of the Willamette is hosting the public event.

For more information, go to the Witch Walk Airport Park Facebook page.

# Decline in COVID-19 cases slowed last week

By NICOLE MONTESANO  
Of the News-Register

New cases of COVID-19 in Oregon decreased last week, but at a notably slower rate than previously, while hospitalizations rose for the first time in seven weeks, from 377 to 415.

The state has been reporting 1,300 to 1,500 new cases per day. While Yamhill County was seeing new daily cases numbers in the 20s and 30s earlier this month, more recently, they have been in the 40s to 60s.

On Thursday the county reported 29 new cases and two deaths, bringing the total cases to 8,898, and total deaths to 116. The county reported 48 new cases on Wednesday.

The Oregon Health Author-

ity released the details on three deaths in the county this week and last week: A 79-year-old man who tested positive on Oct. 14 and died on Oct. 19 at Willamette Valley Medical Center; an 87-year-old man who tested positive on Oct. 4 and died on Oct. 17 at Providence Newberg Medical Center and a 79-year-old man who tested positive on Oct. 4 and died on Oct. 22 at his residence.

Hospital beds have remained in tight supply across the state, as hospitals cope with the combined pressures of COVID-19 patients, sicker patients who delayed care last year, and difficulties with staffing.

New cases decreased by 4.1% in the state. Testing decreased by 1.7%, and the

ratio of people testing positive dropped slightly, from 7.6 to 7.4%.

The Oregon Health Authority reported 110 deaths from COVID-19 last week, saying it was the lowest toll since the week of Aug. 16-22.

The OHA continues to predict declines in new cases into early November.

It's noted "a significant contrast" in adherence to the recommended public health protocols between unvaccinated and vaccinated persons.

"Mask-wearing among unvaccinated people is about half the rate of vaccinated people. Unvaccinated people are also more likely to attend large events outdoors," the report says.

Yamhill County reports that, for the week of Oct. 11 to 17, the most recent data available, 72.4% of new COVID-19 cases in the county were among people who were either unvaccinated or only partially vaccinated; the remaining 27.6% were vaccine breakthrough cases.

In the last four weeks, the county has seen 83 new cases of COVID-19 among children ages 0 to 9; 173 among children and teen-agers ages 10-19; 137 among people in their 20s; 140 among people in their 30s and 131 among people in their 40s. Older adults saw fewer than 100 new cases per age group, over the past four weeks.

Five children and teen-agers have died in the state.

# Shades of fall

Red maple trees and a red barn between Yamhill and McMinnville on the Westside Road paint fall brilliance on a drab day last week. In the background, the Coast Range and fog bring a chill to the day.

Rusty Rae/News-Register



## Mac City Council postpones action on two fiscal measures

Mayor Hill reports bypass project funding 'taken away'

By KIRBY NEUMANN-REA  
Of the News-Register

City Council on Tuesday postponed action on two fiscal items until its next meeting to give the public more time to review them.

The resolutions, on how the city will spend the \$7.7 million in allocated federal American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) money, and on a slate of revenue-generating steps within the city, will be taken up at the council's Nov. 9 meeting.

In other business, Mayor Scott Hill offered what he called "distressing information," that at least \$10 million in federal funds local governments were expecting to receive for phase two of the Dundee-Newberg highway bypass project, were removed during ongoing federal budget negotiations.

"We were slated to receive \$8 million from (U.S. Rep.) Suzanne Bonamici and \$2 million from (senators Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley), but all earmarks taken away given the budgeting process, so we lost \$10 million from that perspective," Hill said.

Hill also announced that the \$10 million in Oregon Department of Transportation money preliminarily slated for the bypass, has instead been dedicated to a slow-lane freeway project south of Kuebler Road in Salem.

"All that good work we were working on is kind of

floating away from us," Hill said. He added county and city officials from the area will now meet with ODOT "and try to zero in on what we can do to keep the bypass front of the line, so to speak."

At the urging of councilors Adam Garvin and Chris Chenoweth, the council agreed by consensus to ask staff to place the ARPA and revenue package resolutions on the Nov. 9 meeting agenda. Under the ARPA plan, key projects in the proposal include \$175,000 for a feasibility study for an extensive business park known as Innovation Center that could be located south of Highway 18 next to the airport, and \$450,000 for engineering on the planned Third Street upgrade project.

Garvin said he objected to voting Tuesday on the resolutions because of the "shortness of notice to public."

"It gives me pause when we posted it 24 hours in advance (of the meeting)," Garvin said. "It was not in the packet until yesterday (Monday) afternoon. I would rather see both voted on in our first meeting in November."

Chenoweth agreed, saying "it is not a good idea to vote on it the very next day."

Councilor Kellie Menke countered that the resolutions came after a four-month process. "There was ample opportunity and ample citizen representation" on the budget committee, Menke said.

Councilor Zack Geary asked if there would be "ramifications if we did this next meeting."

"We are nearing the point of cracking open the next budget (2022-23) and you (staff) need to know what you'll be working with. The end goal is tying all these things together," he said referring to the federal funds and the new city revenue.

City administrator Jeff Towery said delaying two weeks "has practically no impact."

"None of the (projects) are so ready to go that they would be ready to spend on within the next two weeks. We can certainly roll these to your next meeting," Geary asked. "Can you be prepped for hitting the ground running?"

"We can continue the preliminary staff work," Towery replied.

Elements in the revenue plan include what is being termed a "service" fee added to utility bills, creating a business license system that could generate up to \$150,000 annually, creating a new fire district, interfund borrowing for capital needs, creating a construction excise tax, and continuing "efforts to review system development charges and franchise fees," all as a way to make up a \$1.2 million revenue gap.

As a way of addressing fire department needs, the city is in a protracted study of the plan to ask voters to approve a fire taxing district to include one or more of the surrounding rural districts; patrons would be asked to approve a tax increase, with assurance by city officials that the district would raise revenue, improve service,

and put MFD on stable operational and fiscal footing. The vote could come as early as spring 2022, with the district becoming official on July 1, 2023.

Council also unanimously passed a proclamation declaring Nov. 1 to be "Extra Mile Day" in the city. Extra Mile America, founded by entrepreneur Shawn Anderson, is a nonprofit that challenges people and organizations to act on desire for change, stating in its website, "the changes we seek are not created by pointing fingers and shouting at each other, but by 'going the extra mile' in heart, mind, and action."

The proclamation describes McMinnville as "a community which acknowledges that a special vibrancy exists within the entire community when its individual citizens collectively 'go the extra mile' in personal effort, volunteerism, and service and 'chooses to shine a light on and celebrate individuals and organizations within its community who do so to make a difference and lift up fellow members of their community.'"

Hill said after the vote, "I urge each individual in the community to take time on this day to not only 'go the extra mile' in their own life, but to also acknowledge all those who are inspirational in their efforts and commitment to make their organizations, families, community, country, or world a better place."

## Jubb

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and defense attorney Stephen Houze of Portland, sentenced Jubb to 18 months of bench probation (the lowest probationary level) and 80 community service hours. He was also ordered to undergo alcohol treatment.

The terms of probation run consecutively, but one will be dismissed providing Jubb adheres to all the terms during the 18-month period.

"I do not want to live the life of a victim any longer," victim AnnaMarie Motis told Jubb. "You will never understand what it's like to be trapped. It's not like you've never been convicted before. You've just never been caught."

Jubb, 72, a Vancouver, Wash., resident, was scheduled to stand trial starting Monday, Nov. 1. Jury selection was scheduled that day with a two-week trial beginning the following day.

The eight charges on which he was indicted stem from allegations made by Motis, then a 21-year-old student representative to the trustees, who said Jubb touched her under her clothing following a trustees' board dinner and gathering on Feb. 15, 2019. She said he then invited her to "end the night" with him at the Atticus Hotel in downtown McMinnville, where he was staying.

Three other women accused Jubb of touching either their buttocks, groin or tongue in May 2017, according to the indictment. They have always been



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Former Linfield trustee David Jubb, right, with his lawyer, Stephen Houze, listening to the proceedings Thursday in Yamhill County Circuit Court.

identified by their initials — A.K., D.N.D. and G.G. Those incidents took place at the downtown McMinnville Cabana Club.

In December 2019, Motis posted the following on her Facebook page, which read in part:

"Sexual assault isn't a comfortable topic, but one that must be addressed. Most of you have no idea that I'm a survivor of sexual assault. If you have questions, comments, concerns, please reach out to me directly."

"If you are or know of a Linfield student who has experienced sexual assault, please message me. As I saw below, I understand the pain you feel. I have a few questions for you and I want to offer my support

to be sure you know that healing can happen."

"If you have experienced sexual assault; I'm here with you. I know the pain. I know how it changes you. Don't ever hesitate to send me a message when you need support, or if you just need someone to listen. I'm here for you."

Motis concluded by saying, "his (Jubb's) name needs to be shared with the public."

She was the only victim to address Jubb at the proceeding.

Statements were read on behalf of two other victims. One said Jubb's actions were an "abuse of power and people," and he must pay for the consequences of his actions. Another called Linfield a "special place," and a place she will always call home,

but never again should a student be exposed to what she experienced.

Ray characterized the case as complex, and the plea agreement was reached following several settlement conferences and input from the victims that took into account what each experienced.

They all felt Jubb should plead to more than one count and undergo a form of alcohol treatment, according to Ray.

"They did not ask for what happened," she said.

Houze was assisted on the case by his son, Jacob, who told the court a thorough investigation was carried out by the defense, and the resolution was appropriate and accurate.

Jubb did not address the court.

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SPORTS

# Magic

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to a defensive midfielder. The Angevine sisters – Lucy and Lydie – aptly controlled the central defense, while Baylee Spencer and Cassandra Barajas shut down Forest Grove’s runs at the flanks.

“People may say ‘new look’, but all those girls are really solid defenders. I’m totally confident in all the girls I put on the field right now,” observed Heuberger. “We’ve had to shake it up for these past few wins, and girls have been rising to the challenge.”

Mac’s offense also stepped up against the Vikings. A mere six minutes into the contest, the Grizzlies captured a 1-0 lead when Jennifer Lopez Zavala’s corner kick found Morgan Lee in the box. Lee skillfully deflected the ball to the left side of the goal, past the Forest Grove keeper.

Mendoza helped the Grizzlies double their lead seven minutes later. Anticipating a risky pass by the Forest Grove defense, she poached the ball near the 18-yard line. Mendoza won the ball, but had to absorb contact from two Viking defenders.

Freshman Esmeralda Arenas seized the opportunity. Racing unrestrained to the loose ball, she launched a left-footed shot into the back of the net for a 2-0 Mac lead.

For much of the first half, Mendoza and Arenas proved dangerous in the attacking third. As the Grizzly midfield, led by Megan Glawe, Nelson and Lopez Zavala, controlled possession, the two forwards embarked on lethal runs into Forest Grove territory.

The Vikings rallied during the final 40 minutes. Ava Henkemeyer and Joanna Long both tallied second-half goals, drawing the game to a two-all tie with 19 minutes remaining.

One minute after Long tied the match, Mendoza responded with the game-winning strike. Taking advantage of a Forest Grove turnover, the senior striker fired from a tough angle, but beat the Viking keeper to her left.

Senior goalkeeper Delainey Schorzman was unbeatable in the final 20 minutes to preserve the one-goal advantage.

Mac eventually tightened its defensive screws to maintain the 3-2 triumph, triggering a wave of emotion for seniors like Mendoza.

“It feels freaking awesome – it’s so good. We definitely deserved this win,” said Mendoza.

Thankfully, Mac’s season didn’t conclude with Monday’s league finale. The Grizzlies travel to Bend Saturday for a Class 6A first round playoff at Summit High School. Kickoff is set for 4:30 p.m. between the 21st-ranked Grizzlies and 12th-rated Storm.

Expect more magic from Mari and the Grizzlies.



**Top: McMinnville’s girls soccer players were emotional following their gritty 3-2 victory over Pacific Conference rival Forest Grove Monday night at Wortman Stadium. Above: Grizzly goalkeeper Delainey Schorzman slides to her right to collect a save during Monday’s match. Left: Mac freshman Esmeralda Arenas celebrates her first-half goal against the Vikings.**

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SPORTS BRIEFS

### Amity hosting pickleball tournament

The Amity School District is hosting a fundraising pickleball tournament November 14 at the high school’s main and blue gymnasiums. All proceeds from the tournament go to the Amity girls basketball program.

The doubles event is round robin format, followed by bracket play. Three levels are available – 3.0-3.5, 4.0 and 4.5. Eight slots (teams) are available per category.

Women’s doubles play at 10 a.m., mixed doubles at 1 p.m. and men’s doubles at 4 p.m.

Cost is \$25 per team; registering for a second event is an additional \$15.

To register, visit the Amity School District website at [www.amity.k12.or.us](http://www.amity.k12.or.us).

### Digital football ticketing available to local fans

As Oregon High School

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“We are extremely excited

to be working with HomeTown Ticketing to provide a digital ticketing solution for our State Championships. This change will make purchasing and accessing games extremely easy for schools and fans,” said Kyle Stanfield, OSAA Assistant Executive Director.

HomeTown Ticketing is the official ticketing partner of the OSAA, with digital tickets used at postseason lead-up events in football, volleyball, cross country, and soccer.

Momentum for digital ticketing at the high school level has been building for several years and has been accelerated over the last 18 months.

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## YC BOOSTER CLUB ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

**MADISON GREGOR**

**Freshman Cross Country Coach Lichten**

Madison has demonstrated great determination this season as she has overcome injuries and persevered this year. She does what it takes to practice and compete to her best. This season she has improved her 5k time by minutes and now holds second place on our 3k school record ranking! Keep it up Madison!

**WYATT HURLEY**

**Senior Football Coach McKechnie**

Wyatt is a senior captain and 4 year starter. He played a great game Friday at Corbett in tough field conditions he was everywhere. He did a great job anchoring our offensive line as our center and did a great job with his snaps. On defense he had 4 solo tackles, 5 assists, a tackle for loss and a sack. Wyatt gives maximum effort every play and every day. Nice job Wyatt!

**FLAVIA MIOZZI**

**Senior Volleyball Coach Takashima**

Flavia is our amazing foreign exchange student and a huge contributor to our team. She ended league play with 92 digs, 23 kills and 17 service aces. Flavia has great fundamental and can hustle to any ball! She is greatly loved by her teammates and truly loves playing the game. We are happy to have her on the team! Keep it up Flavia!

**ISRAEL PALOMAR**

**Junior Soccer Coach Briggs**

Israel puts in the work and is dedicated to his craft. The first one at each training session and last to leave. Israel is one of our most skilled players. After a win against Salem Academy, Israel was not happy with how he played, stayed on the pitch and put in a two hour workout. He loves the game, hard work, and is a pleasure to coach. Way to go!

### Amity defeats Taft in district playoff

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AMITY – With a 3-1 victory over Taft, the Amity girls soccer team advanced in the Class 3A/2A/1A Special District 2 league playoffs.

Ayla Harris led Amity to a furious second half against the Tigers. She scored a pair of goals within two minutes, while Mya Haarsma added the Warriors’ third a few minutes later. Olivia Farris and Haarsma tallied assists.

Amity plays at Yamhill-Carlton Saturday; kickoff is 11 a.m.

**SPORTS**

**Willamina**

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all-around defense and offense.

Coach Hughes hoped her players would take care of business in a tidy three sets, but Warrenton had alternative plans.

While the Warriors bounced back to edge the Bulldogs 25-22 in the second, Willamina appeared to

gain more momentum over the visitors. After trailing 21-10, the 'Dogs ended the set on a 12-2 run, nearly stealing the game completely.

"It was pretty amazing," said Coach Hughes. "They have a lot of fight. A lot of our sets have gone like that, where we come from behind and make it close or win. Our girls don't give up – they fight to the death!"

Playing with renewed energy, Willamina raced to

a sizable lead in the third. EagleStaff rejected back-to-back Warrenton hits for a 7-2 Bulldog advantage. Halfway through the set, Hallee extended Willamina's lead to six when she transformed a back set by France into a blistering spike.

Bailey and Hallee landed two straight kills to propel Willamina to a 25-10 victory.

Warrenton offered stiffer resistance during the fourth and final game. The two

teams were tied at 14, 16 and 20, but with the district title on the line, only the Bulldogs were leaving victorious.

Hallee saved her most powerful swings for the final points of the match. She ultimately sealed the 'Dogs' win with a savvy tip down the line.

"We're just really good at keeping our energy up. It was so exciting!" noted Hallee.

Following the championship, Willamina's players

were awarded all-Coastal Range League honors. Hallee was caught off guard when she was announced as the conference's Player of the Year.

"I thought it was only given to seniors!" the junior outside hitter admitted.

Coach Hughes joined her daughter in earning league hardware, as she was named Coach of the Year.

France and Diehl joined Hallee on the all-CRL first

team, while Bailey and Jacey Smith received honorable mentions.

With their district and league titles safely secured in the Willamina trophy case, the Bulldogs set their sights on hosting Saturday's noon Class 3A playoff against Harrisburg.

"We're not in little Willamina anymore. We can be bigger. It's time for Willamina to make an appearance," said Coach Hughes.



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Willamina senior Grace France lunges to her right in an attempt to dig the ball up for her teammates. France tallied 24 assists and 19 digs in the Bulldogs' district championship win over Warrenton Tuesday night.

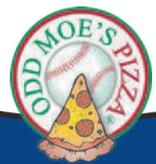
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**All-league: Local volleyball players honored with regular season awards**

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Local volleyball players were honored with various regular season awards for their play during the fall campaign. Players from Amity, Dayton, McMinnville and Yamhill-Carlton were selected for their respective all-league teams.

Amity senior outside hitter and setter Brooke Lopez earned the Class 3A PacWest Conference's Player of the Year award. Lopez was a versatile member of the Warriors' rotation, and often led the team in assists, digs and kills.

The Warriors were also represented by Haley Vanderzanden and Saralynn Grove, who were second teamers, and Emily Rice, who was an honorable mention.

Yamhill-Carlton's Quinn Takashima captured the PacWest Conference's Coach of the Year selection after leading the Tigers to a second-place finish in league and a 12-5 overall record.

Y-C seniors Kaydence Vertner and Kendal Vickers both garnered first-team honors, while setter Adelle Petraitis was a second-team selection and Dorothy Adair

was an honorable mention.

Dayton earned four all-league choices, led by freshman first-team Mylie Duran. Fellow Pirate freshman Peyton Behrens was on the second team, and Josie Shilhanek and Brin Shilhanek-Opp were honorable mentions.

McMinnville had three all-Pacific Conference selections in the 6A classification, led by first-team outside hitter Megan Sebree, Mikalyn Freeman, Emma Lane and Bella Peralta were all-league honorable mentions for the Grizzlies.

**Playoffs are here! Volleyball, soccer postseason games begin this weekend**

*The News-Register staff*

It's been over a year since the local prep sports teams were allowed to compete in regular state playoff contests. But the wait is over; Oregon's top soccer and volleyball teams kick off the postseason this Saturday.

All six of Yamhill County's high schools will be represented in this fall's state playoffs.

McMinnville's girls and boys soccer teams begin their quest for a state title this weekend. The 16th-ranked Grizzly boys host 17th-rat-

ed Franklin 6 p.m. Saturday at Wortman Stadium. The Mac girls, as the 21st seed, must travel to Bend for a first-round meeting with 12th-ranked Summit; kickoff is at 4:30 p.m.

In volleyball, Amity, Sheridan, Willamina and Yamhill-Carlton all compete in opening round matches Saturday.

Seventh-seed Willamina, as champions of the Class 3A Coastal Range League, host 10th-ranked Harrisburg at noon.

The ninth-ranked Tigers are the slight underdog to

eight-rated Sutherlin in a match starting at 1 p.m.

Amity faces a daunting three-versus-14 matchup against Lewis & Clark League champion Catlin Gabel; the match begins at 1 p.m.

In 2A volleyball, 13th-seed Sheridan travels to fourth-ranked Grant Union for a 2 p.m. showcase.

Class 3A soccer hasn't solidified its brackets yet, but both Dayton squads, Amity girls and Y-C girls should qualify for the tournament, starting next Tuesday and Wednesday.



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**SPENCER STRITZKE**  
BOYS' SOCCER  
Junior | Coach: Adam Howard  
Parents: Eric and Patti  
Spencer has been a big part of our success all season long and has demonstrated tremendous leadership qualities this soccer season. As a team captain he has done a terrific job in leading his teammates on and off the field. He has played multiple positions all season long, making sacrifices for what's best for the team. Great job Spencer!



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**MYA BUDZIK**  
GIRLS' CROSS COUNTRY  
Freshman | Coach: Joshua Hanna  
Parents: Walter and Sarah  
Mya is a hard worker and a great teammate. She's been a pacesetter for numerous teammates. On Wednesday, October 20 she ran the first leg of McMinnville's fastest relay in the 4 x 1 mile competition. She finished with a time of 6:40. Mya has had a phenomenal freshman year and we expect big things from her in the future. Excellent work Mya!



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**LOGAN HAYES**  
BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY  
Sophomore | Coach: Joshua Hanna  
Parents: Mark and Pam  
Logan ran on the fastest McMinnville team on the third leg of the 4 x 1 mile competition. His mile time was 5:17, which ended up being the second fastest on the team. Despite tough conditions and tougher competition Logan never gave up and finished strong. Logan's relay team placed third. Well done Logan!



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**JESSE JONES-NGUYEN**  
FOOTBALL  
Junior | Coach: Ty Tomlin  
Parent: Susan  
Jesse is a great kiddo who works tremendously hard in practice. He is a quiet leader that leads not with his words but with his practice performance not only on the field but in the games as well! It has been such a joy for me to get to know this young man over these past few months and to watch his growth on the football field as well! He plays D-Line/o-Line and he is one of our best at both spots. He knows the game well and trusts his teammates so that the team can have success! I look forward to watching Jesse grow in the last weeks as well as the next coming year!



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Willamina's volleyball team jumps for joy following a four-set win over Warrenton during Tuesday's Coastal Range League championship.

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## Willamina takes down Warrenton, locks up district title



Willamina outside hitter Hallee Hughes destroys one of her match-high 18 kills against the visiting Warrenton Warriors Tuesday night on the Bulldogs' home court.

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### Hallee, Heather Hughes named Player and Coach of the Year

By **LOGAN BRANDON**  
Of the News-Register

WILLAMINA – “League champs AND district champs!”

Willamina head volleyball coach Heather Hughes couldn't contain her excitement following her team's incredible four-set triumph over Warrenton during Tuesday's Class 3A Coastal Range League Championship. The Bulldogs dual accomplishment was the first such achievement for the program since the 2013 season.

The team's road to conference glory wasn't easy, according to Coach Hughes. Willamina lost six matches to cancellation early in the fall, because of COVID-19 protocols. By September 23, the 'Dogs had played only two matches, while other squads were nearing their 10th contests.

While trying to recoup lost time, Willamina dropped three of its initial four matches following their return to the court. The team started its league schedule with a modest 3-3 overall record, but an eight-game winning streak set the stage for Tuesday's title tilt against the Warriors.

“I think, if anything, our girls found their confidence this year. Our girls found their strengths and capitalized on those strengths,” said Coach Hughes.

Willamina, familiar with Warrenton's dangerous lineup, had bested them twice before. Coach Hughes diligently prepared her defen-

sive backline to once again contain the forceful hitting of Warriors Jamie Annat and Ayyree Mieth.

“I really had a lot of help from my assistant coaches Courtney and Jami. They worked with all of our players to read the angles and hand positions. It's something you have to do to match up against bigger teams,” said Coach Hughes.

With their defensive game plan established, plus a dynamic performance by junior outside hitter Hallee Hughes (18 kills, 15 digs), the Bulldogs beat the odds. They defeated Warrenton a third time, as well as for the second time in five days.

“Beating Warrenton three times is pretty dang tough to do. Really, to beat anybody three times is tough,” noted Coach Hughes. “We prepared mentally and physically for this, and the girls came together.”

Prior to Tuesday's contest, Hallee admitted to a measure of trepidation facing the Warriors for another grueling match.

“I was kind of scared, because back-to-back wins are kind of a hard thing to do. It's pretty amazing,” she said.

After easily capturing the opening set, 25-6, the Bulldogs appeared ready to roll over the Warriors. Hallee tallied three aces in the first, including the final point on a vicious topspin serve.

Madi Diehl (nine kills, two aces), Grace France (24 assists, 19 digs), Brooklynn Bailey (seven kills, two tips) and Cam EagleStaff (three blocks, two kills) delivered their solid

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## The magic of Mari Mac senior striker delivers winning goal during regular season finale

By **LOGAN BRANDON**  
Of the News-Register

As a freshman, McMinnville soccer player Mari Mendoza wasn't sure she cared to continue her athletic career. While definitely a promising player for the Anna Heuberger-coached Grizzlies, Mendoza didn't feel motivated to compete anymore.

“There was a family situation; just a lot of family stuff was going on. I didn't think soccer was manageable,” explained Mendoza. “I was going to quit; I didn't want to play.”

But something stopped her. Mendoza realized she couldn't give up on her fellow Grizzlies and Coach Heuberger.

“I kept with it. I pushed through everything for my teammates, for myself and for my coach, who never let me give up,” said Mendoza.

“When I was on the field with them, I forgot about my family situation. It brought me relief and I knew I couldn't let (soccer) go,” she added.

According to Coach Heuberger, there was never a question of the team's sup-

port of Mendoza during her challenging freshman year.

“The kids go through a lot during their four-year span of high school, so, as coaches, we just try to push them in the right direction,” she noted. “I'm glad these girls stuck it out. They pick each other up and I'm just here at the end of the day.”

Heuberger added, “I'll never give up on Mari. She's a great kid.”

Three years after she decided to persevere and play soccer, Mendoza led the Grizzlies to an inspiring 3-2 win over Forest Grove during Monday's regular season finale. Matched against the then-11th-ranked Vikings, Coach Heuberger knew the Grizzlies needed the proper intensity to approach the league game.

And Mac responded with one of its most-impressive outings of the year.

From the opening whistle, the Grizzlies imposed their will.

Heuberger continued her late-season experiment with the defensive rotation, slotting right back Nahla Nesson



McMinnville senior forward Mari Mendoza kicks her clutch match-winning goal in the 62nd minute of Monday's rivalry match between the Grizzlies and Forest Grove.

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Ice Cream Surprise, Serendipity

### A Sweet Baker's Dozen

By Kirby Neumann-Rea Of the News-Register

Presenting a fall "baker's dozen" -- a delicious group of 13 treats, locally handmade.

Baker's dozen, traditionally, is larger than a regular dozen: one more item added, to ensure satisfaction.

Not lacking in sweet satisfaction are the chocolates, jams, pies, cakes, breads, ice creams, cookies, and more items on these pages, from locations in McMinnville, Carlton and Amity.

Most are menu staples or regular items in the stores or cafes, but at least one is a traditional seasonal dulce. Knowing where they are made, we decided to track down and chronicle the treats for our readers' enjoyment. News-Register's Paul Daquilante, Marcus Larson, Kirby Neumann-Rea, Starla Pointer, and Rusty Rae sought out the goodies -- some we knew about and some that surprised us.

Go ahead; indulge.

#### Filbert ice cream, Park & Main



Photography by Marcus Larson and Rusty Rae

Customers slurp up all the ice cream flavors Chef Dustin Wyant whips up at Park & Main, 211 W. Main St. in Carlton, 503-852-3025 — Cookies & Cream and other flavors of old-fashioned, 16% butterfat, dairy ice cream; non-dairy flavors made with oatmilk or coconut milk; or spirited versions such as Spanish Coffee or Southern Bourbon Butter Pecan.

One special favorite is Toasted Filbert, made with rich oatmilk vanilla ice cream and hazelnuts that have been toasted, then ground into a paste. By the scoop or pint, or in a shake or sundae, it's a nutty good treat.

(Yes, Hazelnut is the standard term for the nut in question; Park & Main opts for the traditional term for *corylus maxima*.)

#### French macarons, Carlton Bakery



Authentic French macarons are customer favorites at the Carlton Bakery, 245 W. Main St. in Carlton, 503-852-6687. The decade-old bakery's display cases are filled with a range of French pastries, such as the Sea Biscuit and shortbread cookies, as well as French breads.

But the pretty, jewel-tone macarons attract a lion's share of attention. The exquisite bites feature a pair of almond-flour cookies with a delicate shell and chewy interior, sandwiched with buttercream frosting and an intensely flavored filling such as lemon-ginger confiture. Ooh-la-la!

#### Marionberry pie, Blue Raeven



At Blue Raeven Farmstand, 20650 S. Highway 99W in Amity, 503-835-0740, customers can't get enough of the double-crust, deep-dish Marionberry pie, available in 9-inch and 5.5-inch sizes.

"Marionberries stand for Oregon, and people love their sweet, tart flavor," said Ron Lewis, a third-generation farmer who owns Blue Raeven. Son Colby Lewis runs the farm where the berries grow. Daughter Katie Lewis runs the company that makes a variety of flavors for retail shops, as well. Many people take pies home from the Amity stand. Others cut into the mini pies right in the parking lot. They're irresistible.

#### Pumpkin Pastry, Amity Bakery & Cafe



The Amity Bakery & Cafe offers a breakfast menu in addition to burgers, sandwiches and wraps, but like the wall hanging says "Life is short, eat dessert first."

In that case, owner Mandy Hernandez said the cinnamon rolls and a variety of scones are quite popular, but the pumpkin twist with maple glaze is a fall favorite. It's a puffed pastry bursting with pumpkin pie filling, and twisted by hand. It can be devoured for \$3.

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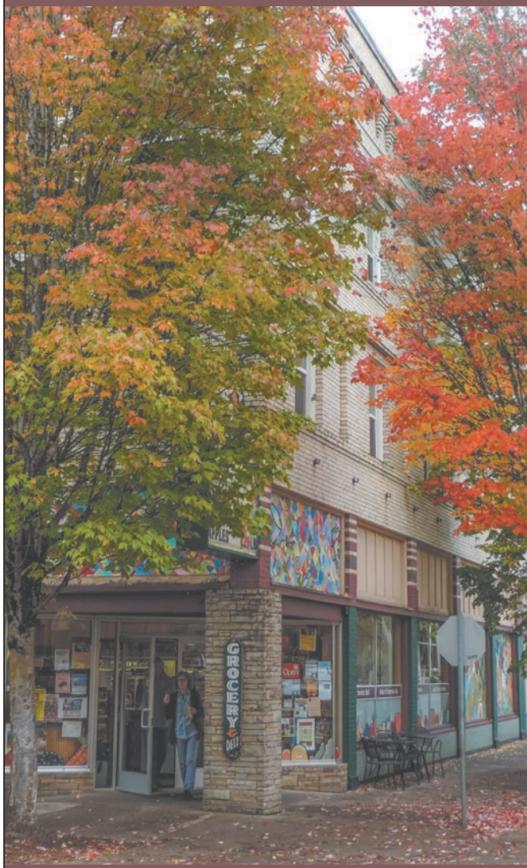
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The business, which has been open for three years, is located at 418 Trade St. (503-583-5049).

**Cinderella Chocolate, Vadnay Co.**



While working out recipes for his new chocolate shop, Joseph Vadnay created a unique product, an untempered chocolate he named "Cinderella." Available in milk, dark and other flavors, Cinderella chocolate is refrigerated until an hour or so before it's eaten; as it warms to room temperature, the complex flavors develop and it becomes the belle of the ball.

Vadnay Chocolate Company, 205 S.E. Baker St., McMinnville, 503-472-2247. The shop also offers brownies, sundaes, chocolate drinks and other forms of chocolate, but check out the cold case for something different and divine.

**Elvis donut, MacDaddy Donuts**



There's an Elvis sighting in town.

At MacDaddy Donuts, that is: the Elvis Donut. It's a maple pastry dipped with banana slices, bacon, peanut butter and drizzle, but only one selection among ... countless. MacDaddy employees wear shirts reading "drizzle artists" to create delicious treats at the Third Street take-away spot, 503-857-6197. Select from 20 donut, bar or fritter designs or create your own.

"Hot and fresh, made all day long, design your own if you want," franchising manager Dana Lynn said. Depending on toppings, donuts run from \$2.50 to

\$3.75; hours are 8 a.m. to noon Monday and Tuesday, until 1 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday.

**Chocolate cookies, Red Fox Bakery**



Flavor and texture vie for stardom in the delectable salted chocolate shortbread cookies at Red Fox Bakery, 328 N.E. Evans St., 503-434-5098.

The cookies are a tango of sweet and salt with a satisfying crumble as you first bite one.

They're made in the French style using butter, flour, salt, and cocoa powder mixed and then kneaded ala the "frisee" method on a wooden block, explains baker Jon Buck, who owns the cafe with his wife, Chrissy. The roll is frozen and then sliced into three-inch cookies. Sea salt is added just after baking.

Recommended: dip for two seconds in hot coffee, and munch.

**Ice Cream Surprise, Serendipity**



Find someone to share the Serendipity Surprise at Serendipity ice cream shop, Third and Davis streets, 503-474-9189.

They call it a surprise, but "storm" would work. The heaping dessert is a brownie heated up and drizzled with dark chocolate or hot fudge, topped with two scoops of your choice of ice cream (pictured are strawberry and salted caramel) whipped cream, nuts and cherries.

For \$9 "It's a lot of sweet," admitted server Hayden

Mosley, pictured on page B1. "Lots of times it's couples like to share one," Mosley said.

**Pan de Muertos, Noah's Bakery**

For another week only, find Noah's Bakery's spin on Pan de Muertos -- bread for Dia de los Muertos, or Day of the Dead.

The Mexican tradition of honoring forebearers happens every year on Nov. 1-2. For this time of remembering those who have passed, families gather over memories and verse, with candles, marigolds, and altars called ofrendas -- and special foods. At Noah's,

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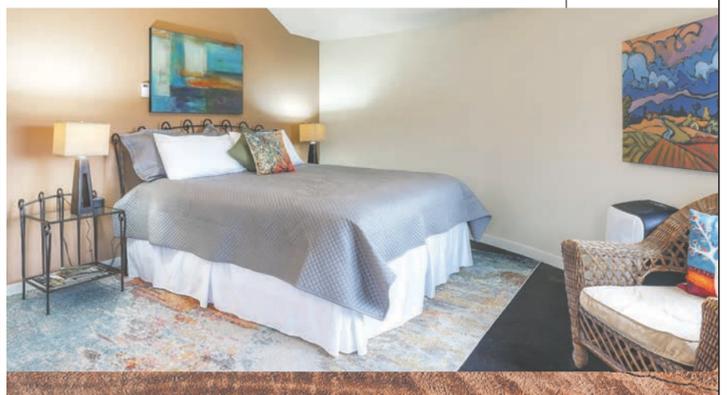
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## A whiff of civil war in the air

*Malice and misinformation are driving national division*

By DAVID FRENCH  
Senior Editor, The Dispatch

Last month, the University of Virginia released polling results that should shock exactly no one who closely follows American politics and culture. A majority of Trump voters (52 percent) and a strong minority of Biden voters (41 percent) strongly or somewhat agree that it's "time to split the country."

Why would they even contemplate taking such a drastic step? Well, the poll provides the answer, and it's not surprising: Competing partisans loathe each other and view the opposition as an existential threat. This also isn't new.

It's been tracked in poll after poll for year after year. This one found that a "strong majority" of Trump supporters falsely believe there is no real difference between Democrats and socialists. A majority of Biden voters falsely see no real difference between Republicans and fascists.

What this poll tracked better than many others is that the mutual loathing is based more on emotion than policy. In fact, the poll found that majorities of Trump voters expressed support for most elements of the Biden infrastructure and reconciliation plan. Even the least popular plank, supporting unions by banning state "right to work" laws, garnered 42 percent support from those who voted for Trump.

Yet broad consensus on the most important legislation now pending in Washington didn't stop 80 percent of Biden voters and 84 percent of Trump voters from viewing the opposing party as a "clear and present threat to American democracy."

We've seen it time and again. The combination of malice and misinformation is driving American polarization to a fever pitch. While there are real differences between the political parties, a fundamental reality of American politics is that voters hate or fear the opposing side in part because they have mistaken beliefs about their opponents. They think the divide is greater than it is.

For example, other polls have found that Americans "substantially exaggerate the extent to which members of the other party dehumanize, dislike, and disagree with them." Democrats and Republicans label almost twice as many of their political opponents' views "extreme" as is actually the case. Moreover, this "perception gap" gets worse with increased education and media consumption.

Recently, the Washington Post's Robert Kagan published one of the most important essays of the year. Called "Our constitutional crisis is already here," he persuasively argued that America was set for an electoral confrontation (especially if Trump runs again) that could lead to the "greatest political and constitutional crisis since the Civil War, with a reasonable chance over the next three to four years of incidents of mass violence, a breakdown of federal authority, and the division of the country into warring red and blue enclaves."

He's not wrong, and the reason he's not wrong is hidden in an under-discussed paragraph deep in the essay. He understands what few people grasp — that American radicalism has now filtered down into the ranks of the "normal" folks, the solid citizens who are often the pillars of their communities.

Here's Kagan:

*The banal normalcy of the great majority of Trump's supporters, including those who went to the Capitol on Jan. 6, has befuddled many observers. Although private militia groups and white supremacists played a part in the attack, 90 percent of those arrested or charged had no ties to such groups. The majority were middle-class and middle-aged; 40 percent were business owners or white-collar workers. They came mostly from purple, not red, counties.*

He goes on to say, "Most Trump



David French



## LGBTQ kids desperate for affirmation

I'm a mental health therapist who works with LGBTQ kids, and I need your help.

It's urgent. The lives of LGBTQ kids are at stake.

Actually, the lives of LGBTQ kids have been at stake for a while. Lesbian, gay, bi, trans and queer youth have an alarmingly high risk of suicide. According to The Trevor Project's 2021 National Survey on LGBTQ Youth Mental Health, 42% of LGBTQ youth have seriously considered killing themselves in the past year alone.

And it gets worse. More than half of transgender youth have seriously considered suicide in the past year. If you know two trans kids, that probably means at least one of them has probably already wanted to die.

We know that LGBTQ kids want to die a lot more often than their cisgender, heterosexual peers, and we know why. Research consistently finds that discrimination makes LGBTQ kids anxious, depressed and thus ultimately suicidal. This discrimination includes bullying.

According to another recent study by The Trevor Project, 52% of LGBTQ middle and high school students experienced bullying in the last year, either in person or electronically.

The study found those who were bullied had three times the odds of attempting suicide. This means calling an LGBTQ child the f-word, for example, could make them entertain suicide.

This is all very bad news. But within this bad news, there is a glimmer of hope — affirming LGBTQ kids helps them want to live.

That same survey found that just respecting trans kids' pronouns at home cuts their suicide rates in half. In half!

Don't have an LGBTQ kid to affirm at home, but still want to help? Then there's more good news.

The Trevor Project study showed that LGBTQ students who attended LGBTQ-affirming schools were 30% less likely to be bullied. This means that LGBTQ-affirming schools produce fewer bullies, and fewer bullies means less youth suicide.

Creating LGBTQ-affirming school environments seems an obvious choice. That kind of environments help keep our kids alive.

This is where I get confused.

We would all say — every single one of us — that we don't want kids to kill themselves. This doesn't need to be debated and can't be debated. No one wants kids to die.

So when it comes to LGBTQ kids, why does it suddenly become OK to debate whether or not we want to help them live?

This question is for you, city of Newberg. This question is for you, Newberg School Board.

If you know that affirming LGBTQ kids and creating LGBTQ-affirming schools helps keep kids alive, why aren't you doing it? Why aren't you doing everything you can to help kids in your community?

We are talking about a vulnerable population whose mental health



Paige Matthews

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was already in danger, and thanks to a newly elected far right majority, the Newberg School Board has decided to harm that population even more. It has decided to harm them by banning school staff from displaying Pride symbols, thus ensuring local schools are neither safe nor affirming for LGBTQ kids.

In its rightward lurch, the board has also banned Black Lives Matter symbols, making the impact especially heavy on LGBTQ students of color. They are now having two of their identities attacked at once — their race and their gender.

Imagine being a target of two types of discrimination at the same time. How do kids bear that? It's hard enough just being a kid.

The board's new policy means that now more than ever, kids' lives are at stake in Newberg.

You should care about that, regardless of who the kids have crushes on, how they identify as to race or gender, how they express themselves through their hair and clothing. Kids — regardless of all that — deserve to have safe spaces where they can learn to value their lives.

Speaking of safe spaces:

At the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, when kids had to abruptly switch to remote education, we talked about how scared we were for the LGBTQ kids now trapped at home with homophobic and transphobic parents. We talked about how school was their only refuge, with safe and affirming counselors, teachers, friends, clubs and gender and sexuality alliances. We talked about how concerned we were for kids who couldn't escape their dangerous homes to find safety at school anymore.

Well, the joke's on us, and it could have tragic consequences.

In Newberg, LGBTQ students returned to school only to find it wasn't safe there either. Now they are really scared, and so are we.

Where will those LGBTQ kids be affirmed now? What about the ones who are just 10, 11 or 12? What will they do? Where will they go, especially if their parents aren't supportive?

We can be where they go. We can create safe schools. We can also create safe spaces for LGBTQ kids across Newberg and Yamhill County. Are you in?

Knowing safe spaces and people help LGBTQ kids want to keep on living, you get to make a choice: Watch powerful adults harm LGBTQ children in Newberg, or do everything in your power to stop them.

As a queer adult who did survive, I'm begging you to do what it takes to help Newberg kids live.

Newberg, the ball is in your court. I want LGBTQ kids to live. Do you?

## Secession 2.0 idea is a non-starter

By RICH LOWERY  
Editor, The National Review

A cadre of apocalyptic writers on the right, believing the country too far gone to save, has become obsessed with a Secession 2.0 designed to cleave red America from blue.

There is no doubt the country is deeply riven along political, cultural and religious lines. Yet, a national divorce has nothing to recommend it.

The practical obstacles are insuperable, and the likely effects would be very unwelcome to

its proponents. If insufficient patriotism is one of the ills of contemporary America, then a national divorce would prescribe arsenic as a cure. It would burn down America to save America, or at least those parts of it considered salvageable.

A disaggregated United States would be instantly less powerful. Indeed, Russia and China would be delighted, believing we deserve to experience the equivalent of the crackup of the Soviet Union or Qing dynasty.

The economic consequences

could be severe. The United States of America is a continent-wide free trade zone, creating a vast domestic market that makes us all better off. Exchanging that for a market Balkanized by state or region would be a major loss.

Finally, the United States foundering on its domestic divisions would be a significant blow to the prestige of liberal democracy. Abraham Lincoln worried about this effect the first time around, and it might be even worse now, with a long

stable republic unable to survive internal dissension.

Then there's the question of how this is supposed to work.

Lincoln warned of the physical impossibility of secession when the Mason-Dixon Line was a more-or-less ready line of demarcation. How would it play out now, with conservatives and progressives amply represented in every state in the Union?

If there were to be sovereign pure red and blue places, this

## VIEWPOINTS

“Democracy thrives when honest opinions provoke public debate.”

## EDITORIAL

# Delivering on decriminalization requires a complete turnaround

Almost one year ago to the day, voters sent Oregon plunging headlong into an unprecedented experiment with the handling of heroin, methamphetamine, cocaine, OxyContin and other leading agents of addiction.

By a margin of 58.5% to 41.5%, they opted to reclassify simple possession from a Class A misdemeanor to a Schedule E violation, tantamount to a minor traffic ticket, and excuse violators from the accompanying \$100 fine in exchange for completing an addiction assessment over the phone. The idea was to beef up treatment services with an infusion from the taxation of legal marijuana and divert the otherwise jail-bound into cheaper and more successful rehab facilities.

We opposed the wholesale shift to such an unproven approach, saying, “We think

it would be wiser to test this theory in smaller, more tightly controlled venues first. Assuming results were positive, that could lay the groundwork for an educational initiative introducing the concept more broadly.”

But our audience fell on deaf ears even in conservative and Republican-leaning Yamhill County. Voters here also gave the measure majority support, though by a somewhat narrower margin.

Well, the initial assessment is now in, courtesy of The Oregonian, and it's not even mildly encouraging.

Thanks to decriminalization, Oregon is averaging only about 200 drug arrests a day this year, compared to about 1,200 a day last year. Drug arrests have been a major driver of court and corrections costs, so we stand to reap some significant savings there.

However, local law enforcement was never on board, and from the governor on down, higherups from outside the ranks seem to have made no effort to change that.

User-level possession cases, which ran about 75,000 last year, should have run about 60,000 so far this year. But only 1,280 tickets have been issued.

That's a pitiful count, and it's been driven in significant measure by a single Southern Oregon agency with a sympathetic chief. The Grants Pass Police Department, by itself, has accounted for almost one quarter of all drug tickets issued in the state to date.

According to The Oregonian, the multitude of law enforcement agencies serving the three counties of populous Metropolitan Portland have written a combined total of less than 100. And many agencies in rural

parts of the state have yet to write their first.

That represents an abject failure that demands immediate attention. If we're going to depend on tickets to fund addiction treatment, we need to ensure local police are as eager to tag a drug user as they are a speeding motorist.

But it gets worse. Much worse.

Of the 1,280 drug users unlucky enough to actually get ticketed, only 51 opted for a drug assessment in lieu of a fine. Only eight of those requested treatment information and not a single one actually followed through by entering a program.

If the idea was to drive drug users into treatment, going 0 for 60,000 is about as bad as it gets. You could probably do better than that cold-calling from a phone book.

Adding insult to injury,

almost half the users choosing a fine over a treatment assessment simply blew it off. That suggests two things to us: We need to make the fine both larger and harder to evade.

As we said in an original editorial, “The public would be best-served by a system sending users into treatment and pushers into prison. Cutting the user base would free prison space, reduce the drug market and deter drug-associated property crime.” Our issue wasn't with the goal, it was with what we perceived to be little likelihood of achieving it.

Now we're faced with a depressing initial assessment. Success remains possible, but it's going to require an uncommonly powerful push from Oregon's legislative, executive and law enforcement leaders — something we've seen nary a hint of so far.

## READERS FORUM

## Please resign

Open letter to Lindsay Birschauer: Please resign. We can't afford to have you in office.

Your actions on the board of commissioners have cost Yamhill County taxpayers more than \$3.5 million and counting. Included in this estimate is the special deal to Waste Management, costing the county more than \$2 million.

Because of your vote on the Yamhelas Trail, we also have to pay the state back for more than \$1 million in grants. Because of your vote on the gun sanctuary ordinance, we have a pending suit which could potentially cost us millions to defend.

That doesn't include staff time taken up to deal with these unnecessary and wasteful “proclamations.” All of these I consider gross mismanagement of Yamhill County's financial resources.

You claim to represent all of Yamhill County, but clearly don't. You don't represent anything I stand for and you don't care.

I've read your posts on Facebook, which appear to be the only way you deign to communicate with constituents. You use them to deflect, defend and blame.

You talk about having “defended our values in the face of #SaveYamhillCounty's lies and bullying.” Whose values are you suggesting? People who look like you and think like you?

Is this what you meant when you supported Powell and DeHart for the Newberg School Board? We know they have voted to ban anything related to BLM and LGBTQ+, sending a message that students and staff of minority color or gender don't matter. Is this how you represent all citizens?

Who's bullying who? I have been canvassing and heard people express fear of retaliation from you should you see their name on a recall petition. No citizen should feel their rights must be forfeit because they fear retaliation from an elected official, in this case, you.

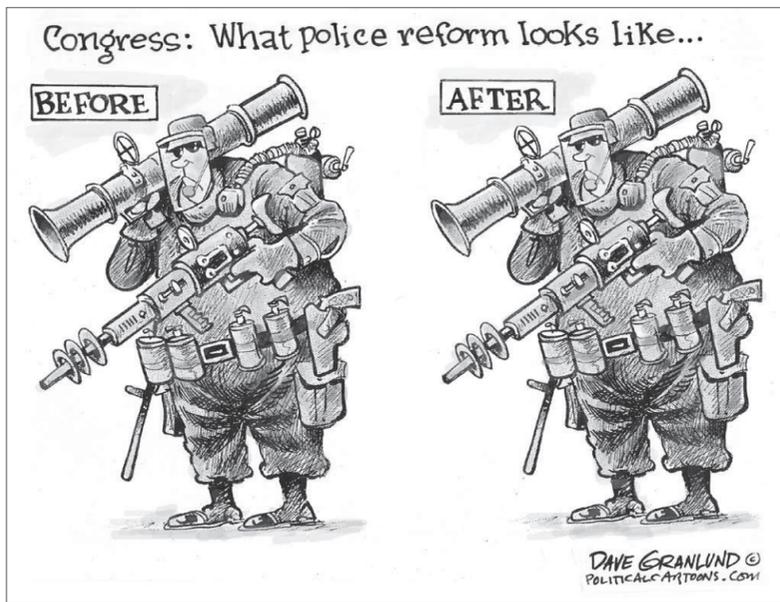
I'll ask again, please resign. In the interim, I'll keep collecting signatures.

Lu Ann Anderson  
McMinnville

## Enough enabling

A recent letter talked about Black Lives Matter and critical race theory. Except in constitutional law class, I never heard in my years about Black votes counting less to keep slave states from using them to control the legislative and executive branches, let alone that without such votes being counted, Jefferson would have lost to Adams in 1800.

We rarely hear about Brown vs. the Board of Education, and our exposure to the history of Black rights and abuses has been almost non-existent. Black Wall Street and events around Compton, California, are rarely mentioned. We don't even talk about the first child put to death for murder, who was Black and turned out



to be innocent.

How come? Many people don't understand where the Black Lives Matter movement came from. It emerged after George Zimmerman shot and killed Trayvon Martin, a Black teenager going on a late-night snack run after playing video games with a friend.

Martin wasn't committing any crime, he was just doing what any kid does. By all accounts, Zimmerman initiated the contact after being told not to by the police, whom he had called prior.

But Zimmerman was acquitted on the basis of “stand your ground” law. I am among many wondering why Mr. Martin wasn't entitled to stand his ground as well. The majority of wrongful convictions involve Black males.

Blacks are sentenced 19% higher for same crimes with the same criminal history than whites. They are three and half times more likely to be killed by police officers than white people, and are subject to vastly more Terry Stops alleging “reasonable suspicion.” There is a reason behind all of this, and it's cognitive. Stop enabling it.

Troy Prouty  
McMinnville

## Not Trump's fault

What is it that fuels your obsession with Donald Trump? He is not president any more and his words and actions are only relevant if they contain truth.

Every leader makes mistakes. General Powell made his as well, though his contributions to America are far greater than his mistakes.

When Trump left the presidency, our country's main problem was the COVID

virus and vaccines were already being distributed. Since then, the southern border has been opened to massive illegal migration, which has created humanitarian and security disasters.

The botched Afghanistan exit removed our military troops before we extracted our equipment, citizens and supporters. We now have near \$4 gasoline, doubled food prices and empty store shelves.

Crime is rampant in our cities and fentanyl and other illegal drugs flood our streets. Our weak response to Chinese military, economic and technical theft has shifted the balance of power and may lead to the invasion of Taiwan.

Do you really believe Donald Trump is the root of all our problems?

All of the problems I listed, and many more, have been inflicted by Joe Biden and the Democrat administration. Most Americans are seeing that, and an accounting will take place in the upcoming elections.

Please stop hiding the truth.

Steve Wozniak  
Newberg

## Condescending attitude

I have been watching and taking notes during the Yamhill County Board of Commissioners meetings almost every week for nearly a year. For a number of months, I have become increasingly concerned about the condescending attitude Chair Mary Starrett has been displaying toward Commissioner Casey Kulla.

I was especially appalled during Oct. 21 discussion of a letter protesting Gov. Kate Brown's mask mandate.

Starrett cited a study she claimed sup-

ported her belief that vaccines are not as effective as previously reported, but cherry-picked sentences from a two-page synopsis. Kulla said he didn't agree with her take and asked her to read the conclusion provided at the end.

She instead continued to cherry-pick passages, then moved on to herd immunity and alternative therapies. Kulla asked her several times to read the conclusion, but she brushed him off.

Vice-Chair Lindsay Berschauer moved to approve. Commissioner Kulla asked for a chance to first read the report's actual conclusion, as Starrett had not, but Starrett called for a vote that left Kulla on the losing end. The letter was railroaded through with little allowance for discussion or input.

Here's the missing conclusion from the study:

“In summary, even as efforts should be made to encourage populations to get vaccinated, it should be done so with humility and respect. Stigmatizing populations can do more harm than good. Importantly, other non-pharmacological prevention efforts (e.g., the importance of basic public health hygiene with regards to maintaining safe distance or handwashing, promoting better frequent and cheaper forms of testing) needs to be renewed in order to strike the balance of learning to live with COVID-19 in the same manner we continue to live 100 years later with various seasonal alterations of the 1918 Influenza virus.”

Sheila Barnes  
McMinnville

## Scary industry

Little scares me about Halloween or trick-or-treating. Ghosts, zombies, skeletons and witches have nothing on all the milk ingredients in candy and the frightening truth about the dairy industry.

This industry has spent billions convincing humans that drinking the milk of another species is OK. That feeds millions of dairy cows in favor of feeding starving humans. That creates dairy cow pasture accounting for a substantial reduction of forestland and other wildlife habitat. That perpetually impregnates cows in order to keep them lactating with milk meant for their offspring, then kills them off after they are “spent.”

What's more, the digestive system of cows discharges large amounts of methane, and their waste discharges nitrous oxide, both contributors to global warming.

The dairy industry is more frightening than any Halloween nightmare.

But, we're lucky. Our local supermarkets offer a selection of plant-based milks, cheese, and ice creams, as well as a colorful display of fresh fruits and veggies.

The dairy industry reporting slumping sales is the treat we need this holiday season.

Milo Nakamura  
McMinnville

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# VIEWPOINTS

“Democracy thrives when honest opinions provoke public debate.”



## French

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supporters are good parents, good neighbors and solid members of their communities.” Yes, absolutely. In fact, it’s that normalcy in all other areas of their lives that blinds them to their increasingly dangerous and radical politics.

They think, “I’m a completely normal person, a responsible citizen who never protests anything, and even I can see the existential threat of the left. You can’t? What’s wrong with you?”

Moreover, they are absolutely, positively, pass-a-polygraph convinced that they’re saving democracy, not destroying it. All of the state election reforms? They’re motivated to make sure that no one can “steal” an election again.

Even if they’re not convinced of the Kraken-style massive fraud theory, they’re convinced that the 2020 election was “rigged” by Big Tech and Democrats colluding to change the rules and then suppress Trumpist speech. Never mind that virtually every act of Twitter censorship only worked to amplify the censored speech, making it a topic of endless conversation on right-wing media.

The cycle works a bit like this. Malice and disdain makes a person vulnerable to misinformation. Misinformation then builds more malice and disdain and enhances the commercial demand for, you guessed it, more misinformation. Rinse and repeat until entire media empires exist to supply that demand.

Moreover, there are different kinds of misinformation. There’s, of course, blunt, direct lying, which is rampant online. But there’s also deception by exaggeration, hyperbole and omission. It can be as simple as a news diet that consistently feeds a person with news only of the excesses of the other side.

I’ll give you a perfect example of the latter: The Atlantic’s Emma Green recently published an interview with Ryan Williams, president of the Claremont Institute, perhaps the leading intellectual home of Trumpism. Read this exchange:

*Green: Glenn Ellmers wrote an essay for The American Mind about why the Claremont Institute isn’t conservative. One of the things he writes is that some people residing in the United States — “certainly more than half” — are not Amer-*

## French booked at George Fox

Christian commentator and author David French is slated to speak on civility in politics Monday at George Fox University in Newberg.

His talk, titled “Jesus Loves Your Political Enemies, and America Needs You to Love Them Too,” is set for 7 p.m. in Bauman Auditorium.

It is open to the public at no charge, both in person and via Zoom. Masks are required for those attending in person.

After graduating from the Harvard Law School, French launched a legal practice focused on religious liberty issues and served as a lecturer at Cornell Law School. During the second Gulf War, he volunteered for Judge Advocate General’s Corps duty in Iraq.

In addition to serving as senior editor at The Dispatch, he writes a column for Time Magazine and authors books on politics, religion and culture. His most recent book is “Divided We Fall: America’s Secession Threat and How to Restore Our Nation.”

His appearance is being sponsored by the George Fox Civility Project, an initiative launched last year out of concern for the polarization and alienation in American politics. For more information, contact project director Ron Mock at [civility@georgefox.edu](mailto:civility@georgefox.edu).

*icans in any recognizable sense. What does it mean to declare that more than half of the people residing in the country are not truly American?*

*Williams: Glenn was, of course, being provocative and polemical. But if Claremont thinks real Americanism is a belief in the principles of the American founding, we have to acknowledge that a good portion of our fellow citizens don’t agree with our principles and conclusions about what politics is for. If we differ on those fundamental things, we’re really two Americas. Even during the Civil War — I think we’re more divided now than we were then. As Lincoln said, we all prayed to the same God. We all believed in the same Constitution. We just differed over the question of slavery.*

We “just” differed over the question of slavery? The question of whether a person has the right to own another human being is a heckuva “just.” The eradication of human bondage is one of the most significant social, political and cultural movements in all of history.

And note the messaging. Two Americas. More fundamentally divided than before the Civil War. Exaggeration. Hyperbole.

Indeed, this kind of language is in many ways more dangerous than outright lies. You can fact-check the Kraken lawsuits. How can you possibly “disprove” the statement of opinion above? Or the burning conviction that if only Twitter hadn’t suppressed those Hunter Biden emails then

Donald Trump would have won? And sins of media omission are often worse than sins of commission. Again, mistakes can be corrected, but a steady media diet of true negative stories about our opponents can build a sense of profound grievance. Stripped of any kind of balance, one can easily build a monstrous caricature of your political opposition.

It’s important to understand that there is no policy fix for malice and misinformation. There is no five-point plan for national harmony. Popular policies (like the Biden policies supported by Trump voters) don’t unite us, and there are always differences and failures to help renew our rage. Instead, we are dealing with a spiritual and moral sickness. Malice and disdain are conditions of the soul. Misinformation and deception are sinful symptoms of fearful and/or hateful hearts.

One of the great tragedies of our time is that a nation oppressed by malice and misinformation should be ready to receive a Christian message of love and truth. It’s exactly now that a healthy church could be a beacon in the darkness. Yet is that truly the Christian presence in our political culture?

Let’s take, for example, something as simple as the Ninth Commandment, “You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.” That’s not just a command. It’s a way of living.

The Westminster Larger Catechism states our obligations powerfully. Read this in light of our modern polit-

ical discourse:

*The duties required in the ninth commandment are, the preserving and promoting of truth between man and man, and the good name of our neighbor; as well as our own; appearing and standing for the truth; and from the heart, sincerely, freely, clearly, and fully, speaking the truth, and only the truth, in matters of judgment and justice, and in all other things whatsoever; a charitable esteem of our neighbors; loving, desiring, and rejoicing in their good name; sorrowing for, and covering of their infirmities; freely acknowledging of their gifts and graces, defending their innocence; a ready receiving of a good report, and unwillingness to admit of an evil report, concerning them; discouraging talebearers, flatterers, and slanderers; love and care of our own good name, and defending it when need requireth; keeping of lawful promises; studying and practicing of whatsoever things are true, honest, lovely, and of good report.*

It’s hard for me to read those words and not hang my head in shame. I too often fail to achieve that standard.

Yet vast numbers of the Christian political coalition do not even try. To them, there is a hidden politics exception to virtually every relevant command.

I do not pretend there aren’t significant differences between left and right. But our system was built from the ground up to channel political differences through a Constitution designed to protect the fundamental human rights of both winners and losers, majorities and minorities, including minorities of one.

So long as those constitutional guarantees last, the stakes of our political disputes should never grow so high as to necessitate the rupture of our national union. And if we want social peace in a time when false accusations of “socialism” or “fascism” echo across the land, then telling the truth about our opponents is the most fundamental and necessary start.

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## WHATCHAMACOLUMN

# Waves of stories crashing together

Scientists and news media called it a “bomb cyclone” this week when a nor’easter on steroids shut down power to more than 600,000 New England homes and businesses. That attention-grabbing description was applied in March to a massive snowfall with hurricane-force winds in Colorado, but it dates back to a 1980 description of storms producing a drop of at least 24 millibars within 24 hours.

What is a millibar, you ask? Well, as per Britannica, “a unit of air pressure ... equal to 100 pascals, 1,000 dynes per square cm (about 0.0145 pounds per square inch), or slightly less than one-thousandth of a standard atmosphere.”

No, this isn’t the Weather Channel. But when it comes to reporting meaningful, interesting and evocative information, the forecast for this week can only be described as a News Tsunami.

It started with Monday’s surprise announcement that former Linfield University Trustee David Jubb would have a “plea/sentencing” hearing Thursday afternoon. That’s after deadline for publication of this column, but presumably high-profile news in the main section.

That first wave led a barrage of news stories onto the local scene.

Nick Kristof’s formal announcement of his candidacy for governor ended months of speculation and drew our managing editor to Portland for in-person coverage. We doubt Yamhill County ever had two candidates in a governor’s race, but acclaimed journalist/author Kristof now joins county Commissioner Casey Kulla seeking the Democratic nomination in 2022.

Next came confirmation of the long-rumored sale for the historic Mack Theater / Yamhill Hotel complex. Local buyers with a focus on revitalization of buildings and businesses produced a feel-good story that will play out for years to come.

Back to politics: supporters of the long-running effort to recall county Commissioner Lindsay Berschauer report today that have enough petition signatures to trigger an election. They will keep collecting buffer signatures until the Nov. 1 deadline. In less prominent, but still interesting news, Yamhill County’s gun sanctuary law is intertwined with much-reported controversies involving Newberg School District.

This week’s News Tsunami placed newspaper reporters and editors into a Thursday dash-to-deadline, and should give readers a lot to digest from Thursday night’s E-edition, Friday’s printed paper and the updated newspaper website.

Beneath that large wave of news — as always — are the calm, smooth ripples of community information about the people, families, governments, organizations, businesses, history and culture of McMinnville and Yamhill County.

It’s the best kind of tsunami: interesting to watch; passing without a broad trail of destruction; and dissolving into a continuing steady flow of community-connecting information.

Much better than a bomb cyclone!



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## Lowry

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wouldn’t look like the relatively neat split of the United States into two in the 1860s. It would look more like post-Peace of Westphalia Europe, with hundreds of different entities.

Some proponents of national divorce say not to worry — it can all be worked out amicably.

But if we are going to split up because we can’t even agree on bathroom policies and pronouns, how are we going to agree to divvy up our territory and resources?

It would matter, obviously, who gets control of the federal government, the most powerful organization on Earth. It has 1.3 million people under arms and a stockpile of 3,800 nuclear warheads. Whether it accrues to red or blue America would, to understate it, be a matter of considerable haggling.

On top of all this, red-state secession would be self-defeating.

Let’s say Texas left. That’s 40 electoral votes off the national map for Republicans. In 2020, with no Texas, Trump could have won Pennsylvania,

Michigan and Wisconsin, and still fallen short of an electoral majority.

On the other hand, Texas isn’t quite as ruby red as it used to be. It could secede and still find itself governed by the very Democrats it hoped to leave behind.

Besides, would the rest of the country really be willing to watch a state of 29 million people, that represents the ninth-largest economy in the world, go its own way?

Meanwhile, red-state secession might not actually stem the cultural tide.

Would the college professors in these places be less woke? Would the newsrooms be more conservative? Would people in the state stop using social media?

The real impetus for the talk of a breakup is despair. It constitutes giving up on convincing our fellow Americans, giving up on our common national project, giving up on our birthright.

This is an impulse to be resisted. Breaking up is hard to do and quitting on America is — or should be — unforgivable.

Rich Lowery’s column is distributed by King Features Syndicate.

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TELL ME ABOUT IT

# What to call Grandma becomes new front in her bid for attention

DEAR CAROLYN:

I'm pregnant with my first child. I'm an only child so this is the first grandchild for my parents, and it's the first grandchild for my husband's parents as well.

I think everyone should pick their own grandparent names, and I don't care if someone is Gidget or Grandma. My mom wants me to pick her name for her. I told her it's her decision, and if she wants to be a Mimi — she thinks Grandma is "too old" — then that's her prerogative, but she was disappointed and tried to spin it as "just asking for help." I really don't feel like brainstorming all the non-Grandma varieties out there.

There has always been a pattern of my mom being very passive and wanting me to "help" her with decisions, which means either my deciding everything for her or throwing out a ton of suggestions she dismisses for various reasons. She has also gotten miffed that I don't have opinions on where she should retire. She's the one retiring, she should go where she wants! If she's going to leave our state, it doesn't really matter where since I'd have to travel regardless, so she should go where she will be happiest.

I guess I'm asking whether I'm being a huge jerk by wanting her to make her own decision, understanding it's subject to change anyway because babies say what they say.

— Expecting

Your mom's going to do what your mom's going to do. You said it yourself — in a stream of palpable exasperation! — she has a pattern.

You've made a good effort at living your way, but there's room to do more. Actually, do less.

You're not being a "huge jerk" when you refuse to

take part. (You do have to mean it, though, and hold your line.) That's fine and fair.

But given how exasperated you still are, I suggest changing your desired outcome, too: You're still "just wanting her to make her own decision." Meaning, you're choosing your approach in hopes it will change her, which is the basic formula for unending frustration.

Instead, change your goal to something you want from yourself. If you want to have zero part in her decisions, even if it upsets her, then you just hold firm on not feeding her all those ideas. "Sorry, Mom, that's your call." Repeat. Anticipate and ride out the consequences.

If instead your preferred outcome would be to indulge her on your terms — giving her some of the attention she craves, but not at your emotional expense — then try limited engagement: Tell her you'll make three suggestions, for example, which she can use or ignore, no hard feelings. Mimi, Nanna, Gigi.

Do this knowing it's not about fixing your mom, it's about fixing your dynamic. She can choose one of your three suggestions or figure it out for herself, since you're done. Same with the retirement locale: "Here are three airports in retiree-friendly places that have the cheapest flights from our area: A, B, C. Or you stay here."

Again: Then you're out. No more suggestions, no more engaging. No more "ton" of ideas for her to shoot down.

It's not a perfect answer, but it is a realistic way to have a relationship with Mom that won't drive you out of your mind.

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ROHSE COLORED GLASSES

# In the spirit of the season, here's what you need to host a ghost



McMinnville's Elaine Rohse is fascinated by words, books and writing — and spends much time sating that fascination.

Halloween is almost here and it's time to think about Trick or Treats, time to carve your pumpkin, time to get ready to host the ghosts.

And if you scoff at the idea of ghosts, it may surprise you to learn that a 2019 poll revealed that 46% of Americans believe in ghosts.

Nor is it just Americans. Ghosts get around. All over the world people believe in spirits that are immune to death and live in another realm. Ghosts are said to be among the most widely believed of paranormal phenomena.

And ghosts are enduring — as per Macbeth. Ghosts have been around since ancient times and were mentioned in the Bible.

We may be leery of ghosts and yet we derive much entertainment from them. We pick up a best-seller ghost book and stay up 'til midnight because we can't put it down. Television has many ghostly programs. The ghost busters are having a field day. Ghosts are squeezing much other entertainment out of our schedules.

And we know from walking the streets of McMinnville before Halloween that ghosts are as much a part of Halloween as are those witches who ride broomsticks.

Although ghosts are seemingly ageless, some aspects of Halloween are much younger than the ghosts.

Halloween first came to

the United States in the 1840s, although the observance of Halloween dates back to the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain. In those early celebrations, the villagers wore disguises of costumes of animal skins to fend off unfriendly spirits.

The Trick or Treat custom was fairly well established by the early 1940s.

My 2021 calendar confirms that Halloween is Oct. 31, but in 1000 A.D. the church designated Nov. 2 as All Saints Day, the day for honoring the dead.

A custom then was for the poor people to visit the homes of the rich and receive pastries from them. In return, the poor people were to pray for the souls of the dead.

Although we have no definition of a ghost, that word has burrowed its way into our vocabulary.

We note that someone is as pale as a ghost.

We tell a friend that his rival team doesn't have a ghost of a chance at winning the game. A person becomes a ghost writer when putting his name on something written for someone else.

Some ancient ghost stories told of spirits that rise from the dead and have no place to go. Albert Einstein, one of the great scientific minds of the world, may have given us a clue as to what is a ghost. His findings have been confirmed by many experts in the field of ghosts, such as John Kabucha, ghost researcher and author of "Ghosthunters."

Einstein proved that all the energy of the universe is constant and that it can neither be created nor destroyed. So what happens to that energy that has been created? Could it be

that it becomes the "energy" of a ghost?

Ghost researchers also have helped the lay person understand the difference between a ghostly happening and something that is merely a normal incident.

Ghosts are of many different kinds. They may become active and hurl things around. They like to rap on walls. They flush toilets.

Ghosts can be elusive. As you walk down the hall you feel a strange presence — a ghostly experience.

Ghosts also invade our dreams at various times and places — recalling the past, predicting the future.

From the beginning, ghosts have faced a credibility problem. Is that ghostly shadow I see just my imagination? Was that lost pair of gloves merely a trick of the mind?

Sometimes ghosts do not come alone, as when several slain soldiers arise from the battlefield.

One explanation is that the events and emotions of the past have been locked up in the form of energy and this is a form of release.

Although it's not likely that you will soon be invited to spend a night at the White House, if such should occur be prepared that it may be a ghostly experience. You might even be visited by the ghost of Abraham Lincoln.

That residence at 1600 Pennsylvania is perhaps our country's most famous haunted house. Guests have reported ghostly presences and of hearing unexplained noises. A frequent ghost there is also former president Andrew Jackson. Jackson was believed to have had a grudge against his opponent who won the presidency and that he had

apparently decided to hang around the White House as the disgruntled ghost.

First Lady Mary Todd Lincoln, who believed strongly in the occult and reportedly held seances at the White House to converse with spirits of her dead sons, told of hearing Jackson stomping and swearing through the presidential halls. The Rose Room was believed to be the most haunted room.

President Truman, America's 33rd president, in June 1945 wrote to tell his wife about of the White House ghosts that were waking him, of hearing ghostly noises, and on one occasion hearing Andy and Teddy Roosevelt talking about Franklin D. Roosevelt.

But by far the most frequent visitor was the ghost of Abraham Lincoln. White House guests who experienced ghostly happenings included Grace Coolidge, wife of president Coolidge; Lady Bird Johnson, wife of President Lyndon Johnson, who reported being much aware of Lincoln's presence while watching a television program about his death.

There in the haunted White House, Thomas Jefferson had been heard playing his violin. British Prime Minister Winston Churchill, who visited the White House several times during World War II, told the story of emerging naked from his bath, while smoking his customary cigar, "only to see a ghostly Lincoln sitting before the fireplace in his room."

And with that, Happy Halloween and may any encounters you have with ghosts be of a pleasant kind.

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**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) This is a favorable time to move ahead with your plans. Some setbacks are expected, but they're only temporary. Pick up the pace again and stay with it.

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**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) A new associate brings ideas that the wise Sagittarian quickly will realize can benefit both of you. Meanwhile, someone from the workplace makes an emotional request.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) It might be a good idea to ease up on that hectic pace and spend more time studying things you'll need to know when more opportunities come later in November.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) A relatively quiet time is now giving way to a period of high activity. Face it with the anticipation that it will bring you some well-deserved boons and benefits.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Go with the flow, or make waves? It's up to you. Either way, you'll get noticed. However, make up your own mind. Don't let anyone tell you what choices to make.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You like to examine everything before you agree to accept what you're told. Your need for truth keeps all those around you honest.



**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) The pitter-patter of all those Sheep feet means that you're out and about, rushing to get more done. That's fine, but slow down by the weekend so you can heed some important advice.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) You're in charge of your own destiny these days, and, no doubt, you'll have that Bull's-eye of yours right on target. But don't forget to make time for family events.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Be prepared for a power struggle that you don't want. Look to the helpful folks around you for advice on how to avoid it without losing the important gains you've made.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Congratulations! You're about to claim your hard-earned reward for your patience and persistence. Now, go out and enjoy some fun and games with friends and family.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) The Big Cat might find it difficult to shake off that listless feeling. But be patient. By week's end, your spirits will perk up and you'll be your perfectly purring self again.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) A problem with a co-worker could prove to be a blessing in disguise when a superior steps in to investigate and discovers a situation that could prove helpful to you.

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Dated and first published October 15, 2021  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Carlton is soliciting applications to fill three (3) vacancies on the Budget Committee, with a term expiring on December 31, 2025. Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 294.414 delineates the requirements of municipal budget committees and that the committees shall be established in accordance with that section. It states:

"The budget committee shall consist of the members of the governing body and a number, equal to the number of members of the governing body, of electors of the municipal corporation appointed by the governing body; if there are electors fewer than the number required, the governing body and the electors who are willing to serve shall be the budget committee; and if there are no electors willing to serve, the governing body shall be the budget committee."

The essence of the Budget Committee is to serve as the citizen's representative in developing the annual budget. While the Committee cannot usurp the City Council's authority in setting City programs, policies, services, and resources, it does provide valuable oversight of the process. The Committee receives the City Manager's proposed budget and recommends an "approved budget" to the City Council for adoption.

By statute, the Budget Committee cannot be compensated, nor may they be officers, agents, or employees of the municipality. Committee members are appointed

for 3-year, staggered terms. The appointment will become effective immediately upon Council approval in January 2022. Meetings are generally held once or twice in the evening between April and May and additionally an early Spring budget training.

If you are interested in serving on the Budget Committee, you may pick up a Boards/Commissions application at Carlton City Hall or fill out and download it from the city's website at [www.ci.carlton.or.us/jobs](http://www.ci.carlton.or.us/jobs).

Please email, fax, mail, or drop off your application in person to: Christy Martinez  
Assistant City Manager  
191 E. Main Street, Carlton, OR 97111

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### NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN OF MCMINNVILLE

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of First Federal Savings & Loan Association of McMinnville, 118 NE Third Street, McMinnville, Oregon, will be held in a remote-only format on Thursday, November 4, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. PDT.

In consideration of the public health concerns related to the COVID-19 pandemic and related governmental orders and guidance the 2021 annual meeting will be held only by remote communication via Zoom and telephone. Members will not be able to attend the annual meeting in person at a physical location.

Members as of the close of business on September 24, 2021 are asked to contact First Federal at [meeting@firstfedweb.com](mailto:meeting@firstfedweb.com) or (503) 435-3241 to be provided with instructions for participating in the annual meeting via Zoom or telephone.

Matters to be considered are financial reports and election of directors.

By order of the Board of Directors, July 19, 2021

Jill Faughender  
Corporate Secretary  
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## KOVELS: ANTIQUES AND COLLECTING

### BISCUIT BOX



This silver-plated serving piece is called a box, but it doesn't look like one. It held English biscuits. Price, including buyer's premium, \$256

The English spoken in England can sometimes confuse an American because the same word can mean different things in the two countries. Almost every tourist learns that in England a "lift" is an elevator. But who has been warned that an English "biscuit" is what an American calls a "cookie," and that an American biscuit, also called "shortbread," is a British scone?

Several English silver-plated biscuit boxes were sold at a Neal auction recently along with labeled rectangular wooden boxes and covers, and decorated tin boxes filled with loose cookies (biscuits) for the store. One of the silver boxes was made by James Dixon & Sons, a well-known Sheffield manufacturer that worked from 1804 to 1992. It is almost 11 inches high. Each of the shell-shaped bowls had a hinged, pierced flap that kept the heat and the biscuits in place when the sides were

opened and became flat bowls to serve the cookies. The flaps are often missing when the biscuit box is sold.

Q: How can I clean the marble top on an antique chest? The chest is probably over 100 years old. There are some stains on the marble that look like some kind of liquid spilled on it.

A: The easy way is to buy a commercial marble stain remover. You can also try a home remedy. Wash the marble top with dishwashing liquid and hot water, rinse well and dry thoroughly. Use a soft cloth or a bristle brush if needed. Then you can try one of the many do-it-yourself methods.

Different solutions clean different types of stains. If the marble is a light color, try a mixture of several tablespoons of a 6% hydrogen peroxide and a tablespoon of baking soda. Mix into a thick paste, the consistency of peanut butter. Spread

it in a 1/4-inch-thick layer on the stain. Cover with plastic wrap, tape the edges and let it dry for 24 hours. Use a plastic (not metal) spatula or a damp sponge to remove the paste, rinse and buff dry. Repeat the process if necessary. Recipes for the mixture use 6% to 12% hydrogen peroxide. Some add a little ammonia and more baking soda. There are many mixtures mentioned online. Good luck. Some stains can't be removed.

Textile, apron, Odd Fellows, cotton, All-Seeing Eye, classical female figures, leaves, green grosgrain ribbon, 1800s, 17 x 16 inches, \$60.

Sewing machine, B. Eldredge Automatic, black, flower decoration, stamped needle plate, plaque on base, National Sewing Machine Co., 9 x 14 inches, \$105.

Toy, train set, Twin Train, tin lithograph, track base with city graphics, hills, two windup trains, signal device, Techno-fix, Bim Bam on box, 24 inches, \$240.

Cast iron, cigar cutter, round, tab handle, embossed dish base, marked, James G. Blaine, Brunhoff Mfg. Co., Cincinnati, 5 x 6 1/4 inches, \$355.

TIP: If you have new, shiny, silvery-looking pewter collector's plates, don't use any form of abrasive cleaner on them.

From comics and posters to pottery and glass, learn about the record-setting prices scores of items have brought in recent years in the new "Kovels' Antiques & Collectibles Price Guide 2022.

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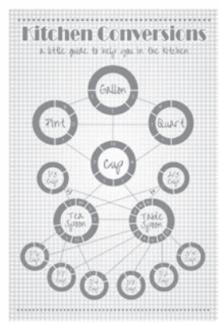
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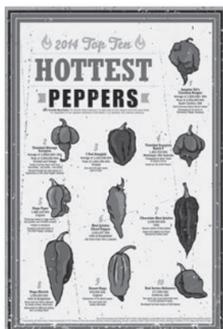
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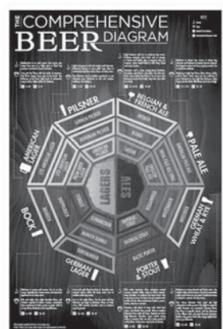
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**SCRAMBLERS**  
 solution

1. Ramble 2. Trust;  
 3. Chase; 4. Slender

Today's Word  
**HUSBAND**

**Go Figure!**  
 answers

3	+	7	×	2	20
×		-		×	
9	÷	1	+	6	15
-		×		+	
2	×	5	+	8	18
25		30		20	

**Even Exchange**  
 answers

1. Venus, Menus	6. Whine, White
2. Lather, Latter	7. Course, Coarse
3. Train, Twain	8. Brave, Crave
4. Poodle, Noodle	9. Defend, Depend
5. Hoist, Heist	10. Heart, Heard

**Super Crossword**

**Answers**

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WANT ME TO CHILL THAT UP FOR YOU, HON?  
 CLINK...

HELL'S COFFEE SHOP

**R.F.D.** by Mike Marland

THERE'S ONE IN EV'RY CROWD.

**TIGER** by BUD BLAKE

THIS STUFF IS TOO HEAVY TO LUG ALL THE WAY HOME I'LL GO GET MY WAGON

I'M BUSHED



# Kid Scoop

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### INTRODUCING: CAPTAIN ALLOWANCE!

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Rats! I blew all my money on candy!

Yay! I saved and got the fun game I wanted!

Sometimes things kids want cost more than they earn. By learning to get through the tricky allowance gap, kids discover that with financial power comes financial responsibility!

### Allowance Gap

Leonard has a goal. He wants to buy a pair of sneakers that cost \$25. But he only gets \$3 a week for his allowance. Help Leonard make a plan to buy the shoes.



Week	Savings	Earnings	Total
Week 1	\$	\$	\$
Week 2	\$	\$	\$
Week 3	\$	\$	\$
Week 4	\$	\$	\$
Week 5	\$	\$	\$

Each week, Leonard could save \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Leonard could work for extra money by doing chores at home and for neighbors. He could earn \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per week for doing extra chores.

Following your plan, how many weeks would it take Leonard to reach his goal? \_\_\_\_\_ weeks  
Make a plan to reach one of your goals!

Standards Link: Economics: Students understand that since people cannot have everything they want, they must make choices about making purchases of goods and services.

### How would you spend it?

Imagine that you get \$3 per week for allowance. What would you do with your money?

Pretend you want to buy three of the items at right. Come up with a plan, like Leonard's, that will help you reach your goal.

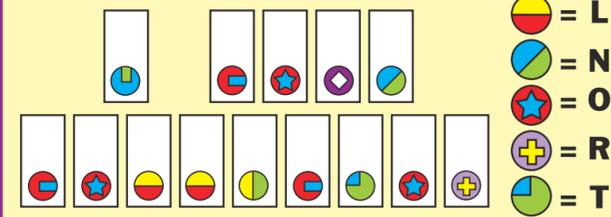


**Extra! Extra!**  
**Twenty Big Ones**  
Look through the newspaper or your newspaper's website for numbers that add up to exactly 20. Then write them out in order from largest to smallest.  
Standards Link: Number Sense: Calculate numbers to 20.

### Kid Scoop Puzzler

#### What is a numismatist?

Use the coin code at right to reveal the answer.



- = A
- = C
- = E
- = I
- = L
- = N
- = O
- = R
- = T

Standards Link: Vocabulary: Learn the definition of grade-level appropriate words.

### Double Double Word Search

- ALLOWANCE
- OBSTACLES
- NEIGHBORS
- ENDLESS
- LIMITED
- SUPPLY
- CHORES
- WISDOM
- SHOES
- SOARS
- SPEND
- POWER
- ASKED
- EARN
- COST

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?



Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

### Kid Scoop Together:

## A Phrase That Pays

Complete the quote below by replacing the missing vowels. Use the lines below the quote to write what you think this quote means. Then, share what you wrote with a parent and talk about it.

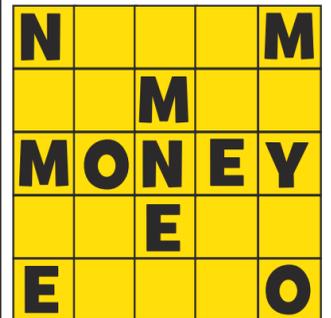
“It is g\_\_d to h\_ve m\_n\_y and the th\_ngs that m\_n\_y can b\_y, but it’s g\_\_d too, to ch\_ck up once in a wh\_le and m\_k\_ s\_re y\_u hav\_n’t l\_st the th\_ngs m\_ney c\_n’t b\_y.”

—George Lorimer

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow multiple-step written directions.

### Kid Scoop-doku

Complete the grid by using all the letters in the word MONEY in each vertical and horizontal row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.



### Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **OBSTACLE**

The noun **obstacle** means something that is in the way.

Lack of money was Hayley's **obstacle** to buy new clothes.

Try to use the word **obstacle** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

### FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

#### ABCDad

Find words in the newspaper that start with each letter in your dad's name (or an uncle, grandparent, or a friend's name). Use these words to write a poem about that person.

Standards Link: Writing Applications: Write in a variety of forms and genres including poetry.



Why was the dad so upset about paying the plumber to unclog the sink?

ANSWER: It was money down the drain.

### Write On!

#### A penny saved is a penny ...

How would you finish this sentence?

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**Pear butter, Alchemist's Jam**



Alchemist's Jams pear butter is a switch hitter.

The cardamon-vanilla infused concoction can stay sweet or embellish the savory.

Made with Taylor's Gold pears, the butter is available at Danny Roberts' and Jennifer Fisher's specialty jam shop and bakery, 207 N.E. Ford St.

"As soon as I had it I thought, 'this is my favorite thing we've made,'" Fisher said. The recipe is the same this year but they left the skins on, for a change of texture and color, as well as retaining nutrients. The owners plan to use it in their pies and galettes.

Try it with a cheese board, on pancakes or toast, or pair with chicken or pork. "It rounds out the plate," Fisher said.

**Carrot Cake, Harvest Fresh Grocery**



"Dramatic" is owner Kristin Schofield's term for Harvest Fresh Grocery and Deli's featured cake.

That's because it's three layers, standing about nine inches tall with a pompadour of frosting, and is laden with walnuts, coconut, and pineapple to go with the carrots. The cake is a favorite at events, as Harvest Fresh frequently donates them to benefits.

At the market, 251 N.E. Third St., it sells for \$5.

"It's our signature, but it's not our cake. It's Piontek's recipe," she said of veteran baker Ken Piontek, who was making carrot cake and other goodies for Harvest Fresh before retiring. "We just kind of took it on," Schofield said. These days Maggie McFarling does the honors, baking an average of three carrot cakes each week.

**Pumpkin Bread, Great Harvest Bakery**



"Professional Loafer" is what's lettered on the t-shirts worn by employees at McMinnville's Great Harvest Bakery, 1135 S.W. Baker St. (503-472-0747).

Owner Kendall Williams and his staff of pros feature a popular fall dessert, pumpkin chocolate chip cake bread. It contains a little bit of everything -- all-spice, baking powder/soda, canola oil, cinnamon, eggs, flour, sugar, vanilla and, of course, chocolate chips and pumpkin.

It's available by the loaf (\$7.95) or as a muffin (\$3). The bakery is open Monday through Saturday.

The bakers are loafing on Sunday.

**Siren's Sea Foam, Hopscotch Toys**



It comes in "fun flavors."

And it's "unique." That's how McMinnville's Hopscotch Toys' employee Yaikyae Aguiar describes Siren's Sea Foam, better known as organic cotton candy.

Which means you don't have to wait for the county fair to enjoy cotton candy: you can buy it right downtown.

Birthday cake, blueberry cheesecake, dragon's breath, marshmallow, strawberry and unicorn tears are the available flavors, and a small container costs \$7.

The Rose Confectionery of McMinnville supplies this sweet treat to Hopscotch, located at 438 N.E. Third St. (503-472-3702).



Andrea Castro

**Dream Cakes**

**For Andrea Castro, passion for baking yields a new business**

*By Starla Pointer of the News-Register*

Andrea Castro learned to cook from her father, who runs the Hooked on Food foodtruck in Salem. But it was from her mother that she inherited her love of baking.

Back in their native Puerto Rico, her mom sold breads and cakes. She found a different career after they moved to the mainland, settling in Oregon when Andrea was 7.

But baking already was imprinted on the youngster's mind.

Now Castro is turning her passion for baking into a part-time job. She offers pastries, cookies, cinnamon babka, cinnamon rolls with peach or blueberries added, and lavishly decorated cakes and cupcakes under the name Atzi's Bakery.

Her business is named in honor of her best friend and soulmate, her dog, a husky-malamute mix. Atzi is a big fan of her owner's vanilla cupcakes.

Castro works by day as receptionist at Damian Lillard Toyota. It's the first job she's had that doesn't involve food service — she started with her dad's food truck at 14, went on to other eateries, and, after moving to McMinnville two years ago, worked as a waitress and cook at Rock of Ages senior living center.

After work, she would go to the movies or the arcade, hang out with friends or spend time with her boyfriend. But when the coronavirus pandemic hit, she had to stay home instead.

"Baking was something I could do at home," she said, adding that she also watched many baking shows, such as Carlo's Bakery and the Great British Baking Show.

The more she baked, the better she became, she said. And the more she liked it.

"It became what I want to do with my life," she said.

She plans to have "a cute little bakery shop" on Third Street someday. For now, she bakes at home or in a commercial kitchen, then delivers her treats.

During the UFO Festival, for instance, she made cupcakes for Elena's Wine Bar. She decorated them with aliens made from two colors of butter cream frosting.

"I love to decorate," she said, noting, "I just taught myself to make peonies."

Castro, 21, sold her first cakes and cupcakes to friends and family members. Her dad also sold her cupcakes at his food truck.

But as word spread about her baking skills, she began taking custom orders. She created an Atzi's Bakery Facebook page with photos and information about her creations.

The help of a business mentor, Shannon Thorson, one of the owners of Elena's, has been invaluable, she said.

Atzi's Bakery can be reached at 971-720-4556 or through its Facebook page.

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**Barrel Roll**

**Crowing Hen earns Silver Award in first year brewing**

By Kirby Neumann-Rea of the News-Register

Crowing Hen Brewery of Carlton, which opened its taps in May, received a Silver medal for its French Prairie Saison in the Specialty Saison category at last month's Great American Beer Festival in Denver. Crowing Hen owners and brewers are Michelle and Ryan Rhea.

"It happened pretty quickly but it was a lot of fun to get up and receive the award in front of about 1,000 people," Ryan said.

Next up for Crowing Hen is an oyster stout for release in December.

**ForeLand Expands**

ForeLand Brewery is in the midst of remodeling a former coffeehouse on Southeast Belmont Avenue in Portland, confirm partners Sean Burke and David Sanguinetti. This is the brewery's first taproom foray beyond the brewery at Fourth and Galloway in McMinnville. Watch this space.

The expansion is the third such expansion by a local brewery to other Oregon communities; several years ago, Golden Valley opened an outpost in Beaverton and Grain Station Brew Works in Monmouth.

**A Visit-ing Beer**

Actually, it's like a beloved relative who comes around once a year: McMinnville Harvest Lager, from Heater Allen Brewing. This flavorful ale is an annual collaboration with Visit McMinnville, the local tourism promotion agency that's all about spreading the word about the many appeals of McMinnville, including its beer. Find McMinnville Harvest Lager at area stores and bottle shops, including The Bitter Monk and Harvest Fresh Grocery.

**Kristof Debut**

Kristof Farms Orchard Blend had a large audience for its debut Oct. 10 at Portland's cider parlor The Place. Cider chief Caroline Kristof, and her father, Nicholas, greeted those coming to taste the Yamhill farm operation's debut cider. The bottles were almost walking out the door on their own, and this nano-small inaugural batch will be a rare reward for those who can find a bottle; there's a few left at Kookoolan Farm in Yamhill and Park & Main in Carlton.

*Tasting notes:* if the Vilberie-Dabinette-Golden Russet and seven-other-apple cider blend (8.3 percent) is any indication of what to expect from Kristof farms, you might want to make a point of keeping a lookout a year from now for the 2022 release. The 2021, from apples harvested a year ago, is a potent but balanced brew, faithfully parsing the essence of apple on a smooth, slightly piquant traverse of the tongue.

**Argos underway**

Wolves and People Farmhouse Brewing in Newberg last month rolled out its "Argos" line of ales aged in terra cotta amphora vessels.

"Argos" is the name brewer Christian DeBenedetti gave to his amphora, created at Beckham Estates near Newberg, and to the new series of aged beers. The first Argos -- two years in the amphora -- was sold only to the brewery's Cellar Society members.

Neolithic, a wild yeast (5.2 ABV) version of the ale, is on tap the brewery. It was made with the spent yeasts from the first batch, with added lager yeast.

"We're really excited about this beer," De Benedetti said. "It has a coppery color and an agreeable, but unmistakable, mineral flavor and aroma. It's spicy and floral, with a layer of tartness, a complex and unusual beer that begs reexamination," De Benedetti said.

*Tasting notes:* Neolithic pours a glistening deep golden color. You can taste the earth in this one, in the best possible way: it feels true to its terra cotta roots, but is spry on the palate with a unique tingle in the mouthfeel, the ale eager to be out and mixing with the elements. A well-rounded, mildly floral stonefruit essence stands out; it tastes like an Allman Brothers song sounds. (Did someone say "Eat A Peach"?)

**Rivers and Beer**

McMinnville breweries ForeLand, Golden Valley, and Heater Allen, along with Barn Door in Dundee, joined other Oregon craft breweries this summer in saying

"cheers" to a river protection bill sponsored by Oregon U.S. Senators Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley.

According to the Oregon Brewers Guild, each year, the Oregon brewing industry supports more than 31,000 jobs directly and indirectly and contributes \$4.49 billion to the state's economy. In light of this, breweries around the state signed a letter of support for the legislation.

According to Guild press release, "Oregon craft brewing companies give back to their communities, donating millions of dollars to Oregon-based causes. The numbers don't lie: Oregon craft brewing companies lead the nation and that's in part because we have a vital and healthy place to produce our beer. People choose to live in Oregon for the natural beauty of our rivers and outdoor spaces, and many build their livelihoods around the thriving beer industry." The proposed bill remains at the committee level, according a spokesman with Wyden's office.

**Pliny of Interest**

Some buzz recently when Growler Station got in a keg of the vaunted Pliny the Elder, one of the highest-regarded IPAs out there, second perhaps only to Russian River's rarer Pliny the Younger. The keg went fast, in about four days, reported owner Tiffany Martinez -- who added that the Russian River Blind Pig IPA also did not last long.

Which brings us to the words of Kristen Richards, Wine Enthusiast:

"If you're into wine or beer, you've likely come across a few 'wine snobs' or 'beer geeks.' While they might seem like a modern phenomenon, millennia of evidence proves otherwise. But like everything in history, it depends on where you look.

"Take Pliny the Elder, a 1st-century general and author during the Roman Empire. During his military campaigns, he recorded what soldiers from different regions drank the night before battle. It was often beer, according to Travis Rupp, a beer archaeologist who teaches courses on Greek and Roman history at the

University of Colorado's Boulder campus.

"Pliny the Elder writes about beer more than really any other Roman did," he says. Though he doesn't seem to necessarily care for the beverage."

"For instance, Pliny wrote, 'From them (that is, cereals) they also make beverages, zythum (beer) in Egypt, caelia (beer) and cerea (beer) in Hispania, cervesia (beer) and many types in Gaul and other provinces ... But as for what concerns the drink itself, it is preferable to pass on to a discussion of wine...'"

*Kirby Neumann-Rea prefers malty ales, is particular about proper glassware, and lets his three very talented homebrewing brothers do all the work.*

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