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Yamhill County Sheriff's Office Makes Multiple Sex Crime Related Arrests

News Release from Yamhill Co. Sheriff's Office

Yamhill County Sheriff's Office patrol staff responded to a reported sex crime in the 200 block of NE Yamhill Street in the city of Sheridan. A sixteen-yearold reported two adults pro-

vided the juvenile alcohol and marijuana and then engaged in sexual contact, on multiple occasions. The investigation was turned over to the Special Investigations Unit (SIU) detectives.

On April 15, 2024, Yamhill County Sheriff's Office SIU executed a search warrant at a residence in Sheridan. During the warrant, detectives seized evidence pertinent to the case which corroborated the juvenile's statements. Two adults were arrested and are identified as Kevin Kemp (age 41) and Shannon Kemp (age 36).

Both Shannon and Kevin Kemp were lodged at the Yamhill County Jail on multiple charges including Sexual Abuse in the Second Degree, Contributing to the Sexual Delinquency of a Minor, Providing Liquor to Minor, and Allowing Consumption of Marijuana by Person Under 21 Years of Age on Private Proper-

On April 17, 2024, Yamhill County Sheriff's Office Special Investigations Unit detectives received a case referral from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) Internet Crimes Against Children Taskforce regarding an individual uploading Child Sexual Abuse Material (CSAM) to an online file storage platform. Investigative leads showed the files were uploaded from a device with a telephone number belonging to an individual in Sheridan, OR.

The same day, SIU detectives obtained and served a search warrant in the 500 block of SE Sheridan Rd in the city of Sheridan. Evidence including an electronic device was seized. Detectives arrested Brendan Haynes, age 27, and he was lodged in the Yamhill County Jail on 6 counts of Encouraging Child Sexual Abuse in the 2nd Degree.

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month, and Yamhill County Sheriff's Office is committed to investigating any report of sexual assault and child exploitation.

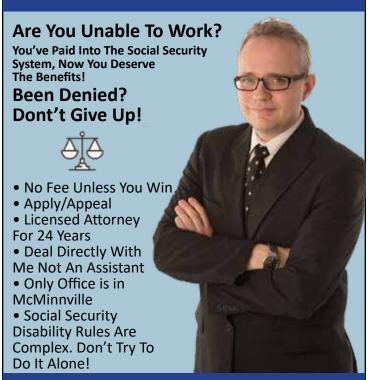


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Board Vacancy

NOTICE OF VACANCY FOR CITY OF SHERIDAN

Planning Commission

The Planning Commission has a vacant seat, and the City of Sheridan is recruiting for an individual with a general knowledge of the City and the services it provides. This is a four-year term volunteer position, and the duties for a Commissioner are to plan and regulate the development of land inside City limits. The Planning Commission recommends ordinances requiring that all land development undertaken in the City must comply with City ordinances and follow the terms of the City's Development Code, Comprehensive Plan, and Public Works Design Standards. The Planning Commission hears a wide range of applications including urban growth boundary expansions, annexations, property partitions, major variances, subdivisions, zone changes, etc. If you have questions, please contact the City Manager or Deputy City Recorder prior to submitting a Planning Commission application by calling 503-843-2347. Position is open until filled. Applications may be returned by email to orodela@cityofsheridanor.com, faxed to 503-843-3661, or to City Hall in person.

For Rent

Small Mobile Home - Sheridan. Carport, storage, heat pump. \$750 includes garbage.

One Bedroom Apt - Sheridan 12 plex. \$750 includes water/sewer/garbage, heat pump. Parking for one car.

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Board Vacancy

NOTICE OF VACANCY FOR SHERIDAN FIRE DISTRICT Budget Committee

Sheridan Fire District is seeking a volunteer to fill a vacancy on the Budget Committee. The Budget Committee meets annually in May to review the proposed budget for the upcoming fiscal year. It is comprised of the board members and five community representatives. Applicants must be residents of Sheridan Fire District. The term is three years. The position is open until filled. Applications are available at the fire station in Sheridan, 230 SW Mill St. Questions please call 503-843-2467.

Volunteer Needed

NWSDS is seeking a volunteer driver to help deliver meals to homebound seniors here in the Sheridan area. This would be one day a week and take approximately one to one and a half hours, mileage is reimbursed and eligible for a hot meal. Please call the local Sheridan Meals on Wheels at (503) 843-2000 (c)

Estate Sale

Estate Sale (in storage). Outdoor gear, furniture, antiques, collectibles, military, and lots more high-quality items. Call/ text 503-383-6967 for an appointment or information.

Services

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Home health care, retired nurse has availability for a new client. Call Candie to set up a meet and greet to see if it's a fit. 425-343-2549.

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Employment

River Park Senior Living is now hiring for caregivers, a part time housekeeping position, and \$1000 signing bonus for an experienced med-tech. Wage DOE, come in to apply, or email your resume to bailey.west@agingways.com. (c)

Pacific Fir Lumber has several great mill jobs for people who will come to work every day, on time, and put in a solid day. Great work environment. Apply in person at 355 SW Mill St, Sheridan. (c)

For Sale

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Attendance Bonus Benefits*

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Space For Rent

Commercial Space Available

Looking for a spacious and versatile commercial space? Look no further. Our property is located in a prime location in downtown Willamina on the West Valley Community Campus.

With 4,800 square feet of space, this \$1600 property features water, high trussed ceilings, concrete flooring, sensor LED lighting, 12 x 12 overhead door & man door, loft storage and off street parking. Contact us today to schedule a tour and see for yourself why this property is the perfect fit for your business. West Valley Community Campus, 503-929-4037. (c)

CTRG Fire Safety Fair, Show and Tell Skills



Bearetta George showed she has what it takes to be a future firefighter during the CTGR **Emergency Services Fire Safety** Fair held last Saturday at the Willamina School Campus.



Jennifer Colton (left) and McKenna Hoy (right) help two future firefighters how to properly use a fire hose during the Safety Fair.



Members of the CTGR Emergency Services remove the hood of a car donated by Gales Towing during a vehicle extrication display.



CTRG Emergency Service Member Bobby Hatch gives a fist bump to a young spectator at the Safety Fair on Saturday.

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WILLAMINA CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

From the desk of WILLAMINA CITY MANAGER **BRIDGET MENELEY**

Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can." ~Arthur Ashe

The City of Willamina contracts with the Mid-Willamette Valley Council of Governments (MWCOG or COG) to provide a variety of services specific to land use, planning and grant administration. The COG is an intergovernmental agency that also assists Marion, Polk, and Yamhill Counties. Each quarter the COG invites a city to host networking opportunities bringing State Representatives, County Commissioners, Elected Officials, and other partnering agencies from their County. This quarter the City of Willamina will be the host city and has invited all of these local dignitaries to attend what is called the "City -County Dinner". Recipients of the invitation are encouraged to reserve a seat for dinner and provide payment for their meal one week prior to the event.

This is an exciting opportunity to showcase our small and mighty Timber Town USA and we would love to impress them all. We are asking that City of Willamina Citizens help us accomplish that goal. "How", you may ask?

- Typically, items are raffled that exhibit the best parts of the City and share the talents of individuals within the community. The City is looking to purchase some local handmade products to present as a raffle prize during our upcoming event in mid-May. Please email ideas and contact information to Administrative Assistant Michelle Long at mlong@ci.willamina.or.us
- We are still seeking volunteers who are interested in working alongside our Code Enforcement/Community Support to help neighbors, within the City of Willamina, to build a sense of ownership and pride in maintaining a healthy community. Would you be willing to help your neighbors allowing us the opportunity for our little City to look its best when the local officials visit? Please email Michelle at mlong@ci.willamina.

It is networking opportunities that allow Elected Officials, County Commissioners, and State Representatives to see how amazing our communities are and also allow them to see firsthand areas of need. They can learn about the infrastructure, various projects, and goals and will in turn utilize that knowledge to seek out and share when funding opportunities arise. We are very excited to host this quarter's "City-County Dinner" and show off our community!



CITY OF WILLAMINA

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Inflation has garnered countless headlines in recent years, and much of that news has focused on the notably higher cost of food. Though the cost of some items at the grocery store has gone down in 2024, many items remain significantly more expensive than they were as recently as three or four years ago. In an effort to overcome rising food costs, some consumers have thought about gardening. According to Washington State University, the average household with a food garden spends around \$70 per year on seeds and garden supplies. The reward for that small investment is roughly \$600 worth of food. Though the financial investment associated with a food garden might be minimal, it's important for prospective gardeners to recognize that the commitment of time required to establish and sustain a food garden can be significant.

A MESSAGE FROM THE **WILLAMINA SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The final quarter of the school year is quickly passing by and May is always the busiest month of the school year. The final month will be filled with baseball and softball games, track meets for middle and high school athletes, and a variety of extra curricular events.

We kick off the month of May celebrating our amazing nutrition staff on the 3rd with "Lunch Hero Day" followed by certified celebration week the 6th-10th, a week filled with honoring our licensed educators.

The elementary school has Kindergarten Registration this week April 25th, we encourage all families with incoming kindergarten students to attend. The remainder of the school year will be filled with many field trips to a variety of places; Evergreen Aviation Center, Hatfield Marine Science Center, Gilbert House Children's Museum, and many walking field trips to our beautiful city pond.

Our sixth grade students will be attending outdoor school this week for three nights. This is in partnership with Oregon State University. Our middle school track program is in full swing with weekly meets, we host a home meet this Wednesday the

High School students are always busy, but in May they are super busy. This week marks the beginning of "Doernbecher Week". Each year the students host a variety of activities in efforts to raise money for this amazing cause. Softball, baseball, and track athletes are busy practicing and competing. Our metal fabrication students recently competed in the Skills USA competition hosted by Knife River and Linn-Benton Community College. Our students performed at an outstanding level with Stephen Sanchez-Haller taking home first place! Our FFA club will be hosting their annual banquet, watch for invitations, they will also be having their annual plant sale soon too! Of course the culminating event of the k-12 education journey will be at the football field June 1st. We will celebrate the class of 2024 at the annual Graduation, wishing each student success in their next endeavor.

> With great Bulldog pride, Carrie Zimbrick, Superintendent

Willamina Elementary School 503.876.2374 Willamina Middle/High School 503.876.2545 School District Office 503.876.1500

FCS Happenings...



On April 16, 2024, the Symphonic band of Faulconer-Chapman, comprised of 6th, 7th, and 8th graders, traveled to Forest Grove High School. They performed four songs in front of two college professor judges. The tension was high, and the nerves were present, but the 23 band students displayed their talent with 18 other schools from around the state. They received high marks and good comments from the judges. Their band director, Derek Evers, could not have been more proud of his students. They showed growth, strength, and talent, and he is looking forward to showcasing them to the public at the next concert at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 29, at the Faulconer-Chapman School.



Faulconer-Chapman Symphonic Band is practicing for their concert under the direction of band director Derek Evers.





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The Grand Sheramina Food Bank received 708 pounds of food courtesy of the Willamina Middle School Junior Honor Society. The society, advised by Sheree Barrios, organized a competitive food drive for Willamina grades six through eight, with the winning class getting ice cream as their prize. The seventh grade took the top prize, donating 450 items; the eighth grade took second place with 374 items, and the sixth grade added 151 goods to the donation.

Submit your event for the **Community Calendar Free! Submissions are due before April 28** to be published May 1.



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Principal Broker/Owner

Out of town on almost one acre, two bedroom, one bath, new appliances. Living room has new ductless ac/heating unit and woodstove. Two car carport with storage above one car garage was turned into a storage, workshop. Grand Ronde \$325,000

Beautiful three bed, 2.5 bath home in a grea neighborhood. SS appliances in kitchen, wood flooring throughout, granite countertops, pine cabinets, with soft close doors and pull outs, living room with gas fireplace, office/library with lots of shelves, both family room and living room have carpet, a few skylights to let the natural light in, big walk-in closet in MB. Home has forced gas furnace heat and AC last serviced Sept.7th. Two car garage with garage openers, large back yard with deck and patio, Gresham \$625,000.



Charming three bedroom one bath home with lots of character. One car garage with electric and one car carport. New roof, vinyl window, carpet in bedrooms, fresh paint, Dal-





930 Farm house with wraparound porch (55feet) on almost 2 acres in town. 3 bay shop 2 roll up doors. 5 bedrooms 2 bath with large family room, large laundry room, large kitchen, slate appliances. Two islands and quarts counters. Heated Pool, garden area, fire pit, play ground, outside covered BBQ, hot tub area, park like setting. Huge circle driveway. Per county you may have 2 large animals such as cow/horse. Land can be developed per county. Too much to list must see!!

4.93 acres on a dead end road. Come enjoy the country and the wildlife. 4 bedrooms, 2 full baths, main bed has one large walk-in closet, two sinks, soaking tub and shower. Bonus room could be office/5th bed (no closet). Kitchen with island, walk-in pantry. Family room sliding door that goes out to big backyard. Two storage sheds, Large front covered deck, big front yard, two sea sonal ponds, fruit trees, and one dog house



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The Yamhill County Cultural Coalition is composing a comprehensive list of all cultural resources and assets in Yamhill County.

musical-culinary-dance-painters-historians writers-animators-theater-jewelers-sculptors photographers-pottery-poets-woodworking

All artists are asked to contact YCCC: Website: yamhillcountyculture.org PO Box 493, McMinnville OR 97128

The Important Role of a Home Health Aide

Caregivers come from all walks of life. Doctors and nurses may be the frontline medical providers people encounter most frequently, but there are plenty of others who do their part to maintain the well-being of individuals, including home health aides.

Home health aides, sometimes called personal care aides, are brought in to assist a person with activities of daily life. An HHA typically helps a person who may need some assistance with tasks they cannot perform due to illness or disability. HHAs may work in a person's home, in a group home or in another care facility.

AARP says home health aides are considered health care paraprofessionals and must meet established training requirements, which vary by location.

HHAs may perform various duties, including:

- assistance with personal care, such as dressing, toileting, feeding, and moving from bed to chair, etc.
- checking vital signs
- · monitoring a client
- light housekeeping
- · meal planning and cooking
- picking up prescriptions
- companionship

HHAs typically will not provide skilled nursing care and may not be able to offer recommendations on treatment or medications.

Individuals can find the services of HHAs who may work inde-

pendently or are placed through agencies. Sometimes a doctor or hospital will have connections to HHA services and can make referrals. It can be useful to interview several potential HHAs to find one who will fit with the needs and personality of the person requiring assistance. A good HHA will be compassionate, patient and flexible. As illness or injury also can affect a person's mood, HHAs must be able to adjust if a client is reluctant to receive help or is depressed or anxious from his or her limitations.

Home health aides serve vital roles in the health care community by providing care and companionship to those who can no longer live independently.



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There will be seeds, plants, garden signs, yard art, perennials, house plants, and more. Everyone is welcome.



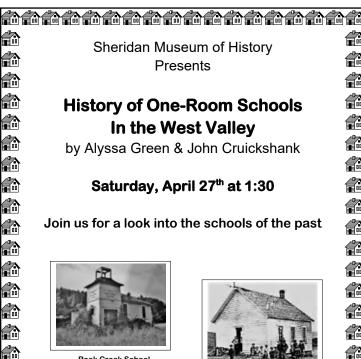


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Blueberry Pie Wins Raves Every Time

Everyone amateur baker needs a go-to pie recipe in his or her repertoire. While apple may get much of the fanfare, blueberries pack that perfect punch of sweet but tart flavor that just bursts in the mouth with every

"Ginger n' Spice Bubbling Blueberry Pie" is not only the official pie of the U.S. Highbush Blueberry Council, but also a winner of America's Best Blueberry Pie Contest. This recipe, courtesy of Barbara Estabrook and the U.S. Highbush Blueberry Council, is a sweet way to celebrate National Blueberry Pie Day or enjoy dessert any time of the year.

Ginger n' Spice Bubbling Blueberry Pie

Serves 8

Crust

2 1/2 cups all-purpose flour 1/2 teaspoon salt

10 tablespoons cold unsalted butter, cubed (1/4-inch-thick cubes)

1/2 cup chilled all-vegetable shortening

3 1/2 tablespoons ice water 1/2 tablespoon fresh lemon juice 1 egg white, whisked to foamy (divided use)

Filling

4 1/2 cups fresh blueberries (room temperature)

1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice 3/4 cup granulated sugar

1/4 cup instant or quick-cooking tapioca, ground

2 tablespoons finely minced crystallized ginger

3/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon 1/8 scant teaspoon ground all-

2 tablespoons melted butter 3 tablespoons orange marma-

1/2 tablespoon raw turbinado cane sugar

Crust

1. Combine lemon juice and ice water and set aside.

2. In a medium bowl, whisk flour and salt. Cut in butter and shortening with a pastry blender until coarse meal forms. Sprinkle half the water/lemon mix over flour mixture; toss with a fork. Add remaining half, tossing until dough begins to form a ball.

3. Divide dough in half, flatten it into 1/2-inch-thick discs. Wrap each disc in plastic wrap. Chill 30 minutes.

Filling

1. In a large bowl, toss blueberries with lemon juice.

2. In a separate medium-sized bowl, stir sugar, tapioca, ginger, cinnamon, and allspice together until combined. Gently fold into



blueberries until well coated.

3. Melt butter, stir in marma-lade, then fold into blueberry mixture. Let set.

Pie Assembly

1. Heat oven to 425 F. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper. 2. On a lightly floured surface, roll one chilled dough disc into a 13-inch circle. Fit dough in a 9-inch pie plate. Trim overhang to 3/4-inch of edge. Brush egg white over bottom and sides of dough. Reserve remaining egg white. Set the lined plate in the

3. Roll second chilled disc on a lightly floured surface into a 13inch circle, then cut into 1-inchwide strips with a pastry wheel.

4. Retrieve pie plate and pour in filling, mounding slightly toward center. Weave strips of dough over filling to form a lattice top. Seal, trim and crimp edge. Brush reserved egg white over dough. Sprinkle evenly with sugar.

5. Set pie on lined sheet. Bake 18 minutes at 425 F. Reduce heat to 375 F. Bake 50 minutes or until pie is bubbling. Cool on a wire rack. Top with vanilla ice cream.





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- 19. California valley
- 20. Wind dir.
- 21. Ledger entry
- 22. Document
- 23. TV pooch
- 25. Oppressive ruler
- 27. Penny
- 29. Tycoon's property
- 32. Fragrant wood
- 35. Concede
- 38. Coal receptacle
- 39. Harbinger
- 40. Yarn unit 41. Implored
- 42. Twitch
- 43. Ghostly garment
- **44**. Property documents
- 45. Skunk feature
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- 49. Infuriate
- 52. Certain Alaskan
- 56. Prepared
- 58. Act the ham
- 60. Bull's mate
- 61. Relieve
- 62. Fun and games
- 64. Level
- 65. "____ dead people!" (2 wds.)
- 66. Feel
- 67. For fear that
- 68. Honey makers
- 69. Double-___ sword

Down

- 1. Coat part
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- 3. Fathers
- 4. 1/3 TBSP
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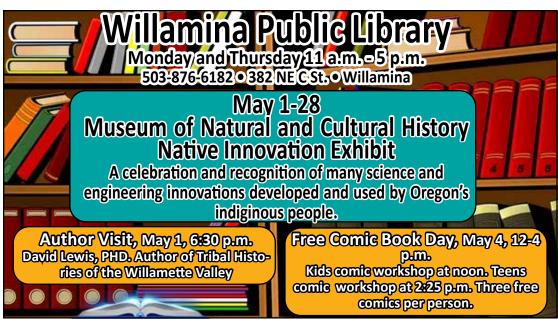
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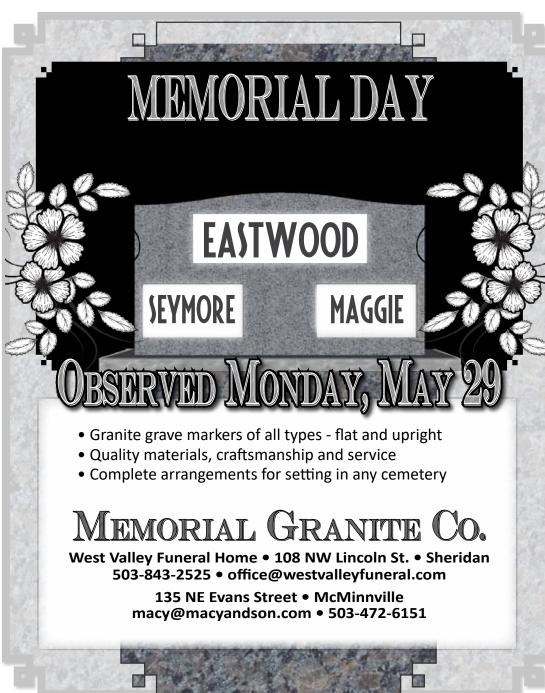
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- **51**. Host

margin

- 53. Frosting
- 54. Bullwinkle, for one
- **55**. Had
- **56**. Spool
- 57. Roof part
- 59. Crude minerals
- 62. Chest bone
- 63. Mogul ____ Turner





Horoscopes April 24-30

ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20

You can get your spark back with some help from friends, Aries. You may have been struggling in one form or another, but others can provide the perspective needed.

TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, you are a dependable rock and that comes with a lot of responsibility. Sometimes you may feel overwhelmed, and in those instances feel free to delegate some tasks.

GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21

Too much joking around may strike a nerve of someone close to you, Gemini. Feel out every situation before you start communicating in such a laid back and jovial way.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22

Cancer, like it or not, you have to stand by a promise or a commitment you made to someone, even if you no longer feel like doing so. Once it is finished, you can go your separate ways.

LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23

Leo, if others have underestimated you or written you off in the past, you will have an opportunity to prove them wrong this week, even if you already know the truth.

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22

Your keen eye for detail has you pointing out a mistake that may have cost someone a lot of money, Virgo. Your reward could be a promotion or another commendation.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23

Making room for your needs right now is challenging as others seem to require all of the attention, Libra. You will have a chance to balance the scales soon enough.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

Right now you may be reluctant to commit or comment on an issue that is affecting some in your circle, Scorpio. You can get involved once you dig further and do your own research.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21

Sagittarius, when you hang out with friends, you may be tempted to spend more than is in your budget at the moment. Set a limit, and perhaps leave your credit cards at home.

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20

Capricorn, you are ready to move forward, but others in your orbit may be holding you back. Know when to cut loose and do things according to your bigger vision.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18

Thinking about all of the things in your life that may not be going to plan could have you feeling down, Aquarius. Flip the perspective and start focusing on the right things.

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20

Pisces, you are known for being a dreamer, but right now you have to come down from the clouds and develop a solid plan of action. There will be time for fanciful ideas later.

A Small Glimpse Into Some Big Quakes in Oregon History

Written Bv Janos "John" Vamos

Mother Nature constantly reminds us, a small section of her domain at a time, that while we think of this as our planet, we are just another creature abiding by her temperament on this Oblate spheroid of a rock hurling through space.

She lets us soak in the springtime sun with a glass of lemonade in our hands one day, and then she can decide to erase the top of a mountain the following morning (Mt. Saint Helens, May 18, 1980). We are indeed at her disposal; case in point, as I went through my social media this morning, I saw that the United Arab Emirates just received over a year's supply of rain in 24 hours, and a volcano has erupted at least five times over in Indonesia.

Luckily, we often miss some of her glorious temper tantrums here in Oregon, such as hurricanes, tornados, and blizzards. Still, April 26, National Richter Scale Day, got me thinking about how many times Mother Nature has decided to look our way and "shake things up" for us with the one natural disaster available to her right on our doorstep.

We are all familiar with the fact that we live on the Pacific Plate. the most seismically and volcanically active tectonic plate on Earth. It is aptly nicknamed "The Ring of Fire" as it stretches from the west coast of South America up and around the bearing sea to

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the east coast of Asia and down to New Zealand.

We do not notice 99% of the activity this plate produces. On average, we have over 1.000 earthquakes of over 1.0 magnitude yearly between Washington and Oregon.

Here in our little neck of the woods, we have had two earthquakes within the past 30 days, a 0.79 magnitude at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 28, just 2 miles Southwest of Sheridan, a 1.65 magnitude at 2:48 p.m. on Friday, March 29 just eight miles north of Willamina, and one just outside of that 30-day window was a 2.4 magnitude quake at 9:30 p.m. on March 19 that probably scared a few birds up Gopher Valley Road and made a couple residents question their significant other if they had beans for dinner.

Thankfully, Mother Nature has decided to concentrate on other parts of the globe and leave us in peace for the most part. Though she has given us small reminders now and then via ice storms or semi-heavy rains that she has not forgotten about us. it has been quite some time since she has given our area a good ole mark on the Richter Scale via the Northern California to British Columbia part of the Pacific Rim known as the Cascadia Subduction Zone.

Most of our earthquakes happen off the coast of Oregon since the fault line lies from 50 to 100 miles off our coast. Here is a list of

some of the more notable earthquakes in our area that occurred inland

February 28, 2001: Magnitude 6.8 - Coming in all the way from Puget Sound, this earthquake caused high-rise office buildings in Portland to shake for almost half a minute, but luckily, no significant damage was reported here in Oregon. Folks in Washington, of course, were more heavily impacted, with one death, 400 injuries, and a total of \$2 billion in damages.

March 25, 1993: Magnitude 5.6 -The Scotts Mills earthquake was one of our closest, more recent significant events, only 36 miles away as the crow flies. While it did cause quite a bit of damage, primarily to buildings not reinforced for seismic activity, leading up to around \$28 million in damage, no deaths or injuries were reported.

March 7, 1963: Magnitude 4.6 Another earthquake close to home shook Polk County. This one was felt by quite a few residents around the area, but no deaths or injuries were reported besides some broken dishes and slightly minor cracks in the wall.

April 13, 1949: Magnitude 7.1-This was one more large quake courtesy of the Puget Sound area that we felt all the way down here. It caused \$25 million in damages, with 8 deaths and 64 injuries reported in the epicenter, but again, Oregon ended up with some shaking buildings and shaking nerves.

The story's moral is that it's not an if but a when Mother Nature will try to pull the proverbial rug out from under us again since this can affect us by land or sea. Tsunamis from large quakes could have people running for the hills, or shakers inland have people ducking for cover; it is always best to be prepared since these cannot be foretold.

Have an emergency bug-out bag (a bag that holds necessities for a quick escape from home) or keep one in your car, as these quakes can damage essential life resources. You can view an interactive map of the latest earthquakes around the globe at https://earthquake.usgs.gov/ earthquakes/map, and you can better prepare yourself by viewing a vital disaster supply kit list at https://www.ready.gov/kit.

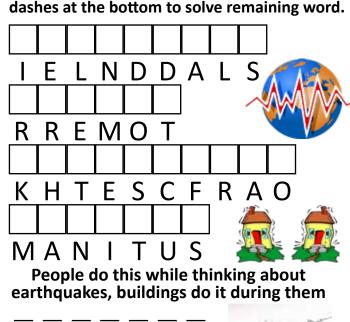
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1719 - Daniel Defoe publishes "Robinson Crusoe", regarded as the first English novel.

1792 - Guillotine first used in France, executes highwayman Nicolas Pelletier.

1859 - Ground broken for Suez Canal.

1876 - Chicago Cubs first NL game, beats Louisville 4-0 (first NL shutout).

1886 - Sigmund Freud opens his first neurologist practice at Rathausstrasse 7 in Vienna.

1901 - Erve Beck hits American League's first home run.

1901 - In last of ninth inning, Detroit Tigers, trailing by 13-4, score 10 runs to win one of greatest comebacks in baseball (first game in Detroit).

1901 - New York becomes first state requiring automobile license plates (\$1 fee).

1950 - Chuck Cooper becomes the first African American to be drafted into the NBA (for Boston Celtics).

1953 - Francis Crick and James Watson's discovery of the double helix structure of DNA is published in "Nature" magazine.

1954 - Bell labs announces the first solar battery made from silicon. It has about 6% efficiency.

1960 - First submerged circumnavigation of Earth completed by USS submarine Triton in 60 days, 21 hours.

1961 - Mercury/Atlas rocket lifted off with an electronic mannequin.

1961 - Unmanned Mercury test explodes on launch pad.

1962 - US Ranger spacecraft crash lands on Moon.

1974 - NFL moves goal posts & adopts sudden-death playoff.

1990 - Hubble space telescope is placed into orbit by space shuttle Discovery.

1994 - Fourteen inches of snow in Southern California.

2019 - Microsoft becomes the third US firm to be listed with a market worth of 1 trillion, after Apple and Amazon.

2022 - First airport for electric flying cars and large drones, built by Urban-Air Port, begins operations in Coventry, England.

Scout Ahead and Keep a Sharp Look out For Obstructions on the River

News Release from Oregon State Marine Board

Heavy wind and rain from winter storms cause trees to plunge into Oregon rivers. Trees become obstructions, a risk for all boaters, including paddlers, rafters, and drift boats. Some of these obstructions will become more dangerous as river levels drop, requiring boats to portage around the obstructions for safe navigation.

"We urge every boater to plan ahead. River conditions can change daily which is why checking river levels is critical. Always look downstream as you navigate allowing time to react and maneuver to the safest course," says Brian Paulsen, Boating Safety Program Manager for the Marine Board.

The Marine Board urges the following precautions:

- Visit the Marine Board's Boating Obstructions Dashboard to view reported obstructions.
- Learn about and how to report obstructions you encounter while boating.
- Scout ahead and look for the safest route for each section of the river before committing. When in doubt, portage out.
- Stay clear of partially sub-

merged trees and limbs. Strong currents can quickly carry you in, potentially leading to capsizing and entrapment.

- Wear a life jacket. Oregon's waterways are cold year-round. Boaters are encouraged to wear a properly fitting life jacket and to dress for the water temperature, not the air temperature.
- If you're using a Stand Up Paddleboard, be sure to wear a quick-release leash on moving water, especially in rivers where obstructions are present so you can disconnect from the board if you are drawn into one.
- Boat with others and stay within sight of one another.
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- Fill out a float plan and let others know where you are boating and when to expect your return.

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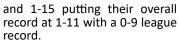


West Valley Sports

Bulldogs Split Games With Bobcats, Spartans Fall Further in League Play

Bulldog softball had its way with Nestucca last week with three shutout games against the Bobcats. Tuesday saw the ladies take home a 15-0 win on their home turf. The Bulldogs headed to the coast and continued shutting down Nestucca with double-header wins of 12-0 and 11-0. This improves the Bulldog Softball overall record to 11-3 and league to 8-1. The ladies improved their OSAA 2A/1A ranking to #4 in the state.

Bulldog baseball was on the flip side of the winning coin, dropping three games last week to the Bobcats, losing 1-14, 3-13,



The Spartan squads had difficulty putting a win together last week, with the baseball squad dropping two road games, 1-11 to the Dayton Pirates on Tuesday and 0-11 to the Yamhill-Carlton Tigers on Friday. Softball fell at home to the Taft Tigers 9-21 on Tuesday and Friday, losing 0-23 on the road to the Scio Loggers. Spartan Baseball has an overall record of 0-14 and a league record of 0-7. Spartan Softball is at 3-12 overall and 1-6 in the league.



- Which team holds the highest all-time win-loss percentage in MLB history?
- 2. What current franchise was the first baseball team established in the MLB?
- 3. Who holds the record for most home runs hit in their career?
- 4. How many Cy Young awards did legendary pitcher Nolan Ryan win?
- 5. Who broke Roger Maris' 40 year single-season home run record of 61?
- 6. Which team has yet to appear in a World Series?
- 7. Which team holds the longest period between World Series wins?
- 8. Where is the NFL Hall of Fame located?
- 9. Who was Brett Favre's first NFL pass completed to.
- 10. Which two current NFL teams have existed since its founding.
- 11. What team is considered "America's Team"?
- 12. How many NFL teams' names are some kind of bird?
- 13. Which NFL team is actually a publicly owned, non-profit corporation?
- 14. The Lakers are tied with what other NBA team with 17 Championships?
- 15. What NBA team was the first to win 70 games in one season?
- 16. Who was the shortest player to ever win the Slam Dunk contest?
- 17. LeBron James last year broke who's 34 year old all time scoring record?
- 18. Which team's logo is shaped like a musical note?
- 19. What company has made official NBA balls for over 40 years?
- 20. Who has appeared on the most Sports Illustrated covers?

1: New York Yankees 56.9% 2: Atlanta Braves founded in 1881 in Boston 3: Barry Bonds 762 4: Zero 5: Mark McGwire 6: Seattle Mariners 7: Cuba 107 years 8: Canton, Ohio 9: Brett Favre, after it was deflected by a defensive lineman 10: Cardinals and Bears 11: Dallas Cowboys 12: Five - Falcons, Eagles, Seahawks, Ravens, Cardinals: Green Bay Packers 14: Boston Celtics 15: Chicago Bulls 16: Spud Webb (5' nals13: Green Bay Packers 14: Boston Celtics 15: Chicago Bulls 16: Spud Webb (5' o') 17: Kareem Abdul-Jabbar 18: Utah Jazz 19: Spalding 20: Michael Jordon (50)

Willamina Nears Spots at Oregon Relays

Several Willamina athletes are looking to compete at district and state track and field meets. Jose Cruz broke his 800-meter school record at the Delphian Invitational on with a time of 2:03.13 Thursday. The senior, now second in the 2A rankings, is aiming at returning to the state meet in the 800 and the 1500.

Freshman Hadley Hughes leads the 2A state rankings with a personal best of 129-9 in the javelin. She is also in the 2A top five in the state in discus and shot put.

Also in the 2A top five in the state is junior Zoie Sickles, with personal bests of 99-1 in the discus and 32-4.5 in the shot put.

Senior Michael Nolen, a 2023 state qualifier, hopes to surpass his javelin throw from last year. He is ranked ninth in the state at 148-2.

As the only 2A school in the Sherwood Need for Speed Meet on Saturday, Willamina set many personal records. Sickles and Hughes made the finals for girls discus, Sickles at 101-11 and Hughes at 105-3.

Nolen just missed the finals in the javelin, placing 10th with a season best 149-7.

Other improvements at Sherwood were Matthew Atherton's 18-11 in the long jump and Ben Moore's 18-10.5 in that event. Nichole Goodwin improved with 14-8.75 in the long jump and 30-7.25 in the triple jump, reaching the top 10 in Special District 2. The Bulldogs' next meet will be

at 4 p.m. Thursday at Blanchet Catholic, with Gervais and Salem Academy also competing.



Willamina HS Athletic Director Honored

Jerry Buczynski, athletic director at Willamina High School, was honored April 16 for his service over the years.

He and Greg Grant, athletic director at Heppner High School, received the Jim Lotramel Lifetime Service Award, given to the athletic director "who exemplifies the profession with servant leadership and a lifelong commitment to serving today's youth."

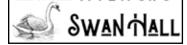
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Sheridan Firefighters Tobias Watson (middle) and Brandon Stroud (right) chat with a community member as they cook breakfast for them before the Sheridan Litter pick-up.



Sheridan Scouts, accompanied by some parents and a canine companion, get ready to patrol the town for litter and trash in the citywide litter pick-up to celebrate Earth Day 2024.



Delphian School Students arm themselves for the Battle for Earth as they do their part for Earth Day, celebrated every year on April 22. They helped roam Sheridan and pick up litter where found.



Ashton Sanders gives directions to volunteers in the Sheridan Citywide littler pick-up.



Kay Buckles hands out grabbers and bags to volunteers of the Sheridan Litter Pick-up.



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Tony Coleman Featuring Johnny Wheels and the Swamp Donkeys

Written by "Liz Hodgins"

On Saturday, April 20, the good times, they rolled to a packed house at the West Valley Community Campus for a fundraiser supper supporting both the Willamina Fourth of July Committee and the West Valley Community Campus. The event, sponsored by the Wet Season Music Series, was well-attended by young and old alike, enjoying a delicious tri-tip supper and free music entertainment by local legends Johnny Wheels and the Swamp Donkeys playing with blues great Tony Coleman.

Tony Coleman, a recent transplant to Sheridan, played in BB King's band for 31 years. In addition to playing with BB King, Tony has played with many blues greats, including Otis Clay, Albert King, Etta James, James Cotton, and Buddy Guy, to name a few. We are exceptionally fortunate to have his drumming and singing expertise in the West Valley. Local rising stars Johnny Wheels and the Swamp Donkeys have catapulted into national recognition since playing at the Waterfront Blues Festival in Portland and then competing in the 2020 International Blues Challenge in Memphis.

The pairing of these accomplished and talented musicians

was phenomenal; the start of their set, "Let the Good Times Roll," got the house up and dancing. Johnny blew his heart out on his harp, Tony hammered the drums, and the dance floor filled with joyful energy. Their excellent rendition of Ste-vie Wonder's "Superstition" packed the dance floor with happy, energetic dancers, young and old, dancing with abandon. It was great fun and somewhat of a relief for this old-timer when they played "Angel from Montgomery" for the slow song rest. The music was fantastic, and they even threw in the chicken dance for the littles.

The Wet Season Series event raised \$1,150 in suppers sold and \$400 in donations for a total of \$1,550 for the Willamina 4th of July Committee. Likewise, the beverages sold and the donation jar at the beverage bar raised money for the West Valley Community Campus toward their efforts to meet new fire safety requirements. If you have yet to attend a Wet Season Music Series event, please consider supporting a remarkable local venue when the Wet Seasons Concert Series kicks off in October. For more information about events at the West Vally Community Campus, go to http://westvalleycommunitycampus.org



Johnny Wheels jams out on his harmonica as Tony Coleman provides some beats in the background during the last Wet Season Concert Series at the West Valley Community Campus.



Dancers of all ages get down on the dance floor. Coincidently, this was the only time seating was available at Wet Seasons Concert. The Concert raised \$1,550 for the Willamina 4th of July Committee.



Tony Coleman showed his skills during his West Valley Community Campus Concert.



Bassist Taylor Frazier provided rhythm and melody to the concert enjoyed by a packed crowd.





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Champion Says Mill Closure is Permanent, Lumber Slump to Blame

After months of waiting, the 300 employees at Champion International's plywood mill in Willamina learned last week the plant will be closed permanently.

Only 33 employees, in maintenance and office jobs, were still working at the mill since the Feb. 8 shutdown that idled 277 workers. Some salaried employees will be offered jobs at other Champion plants.

Champion's decision to sell the mill was announced Friday – one day after a letter was sent to employees. But the handwriting had been on the wall since early March when company officials hinted the shutdown might be permanent.

the decision to close the plant permanently reflects not only the continued poor markets for plywood, but also the lack of a long-range timber supply for the operation," said Al C. Smith, general manager of western softwood plywood and lumber manufacturing for the company's building products division.

John Hanson, a company spokesman, said Champion now will try to sell the plant. But, he noted, several companies that expressed interest in the mill earlier this year may be reluctant because of the market conditions.

At its peak operation, the mill produced 170 million sq. ft. of 3/8 inch plywood. That annual production would be enough to build 34,000 homes.

Champion's decision to sell the

Willamina mill came as no surprise to many in the local lumber industry who have said privately for months it looked like the closure would be permanent. They based their opinions on several factors: the company's lack of adequate local timber supplies and the overall condition of the mill which was not retooled in recent years to handle smaller logs.

The company first laid off 50 employees last December, blaming the slump in lumber sales caused by the steadily increasing interest rates for mortgages and other loans.

Permanent closure of the mill means the loss of one of the largest payrolls in the area. Last November, the last full month of the mill's operation, the payroll totaled \$470,000. More than two thirds of the employees live in the Sheridan-Willamina area.

Champion officials will continue to negotiate settlements with the employees' union, Local 3-22 of the International Woodworkers of America. Pension plans are not included in the negotiations since they were already covered in a wage contract, according to Hanson. Items to be negotiated include severance pay for the workers he said.

The company also will help laidoff workers-now on unemployment rolls-find other jobs, Smith said. Such help, however, may be meaningless since other mills are also cutting back operations.



Sheridan Dance & Drill team won the Oregon State Championship in the Division. The competition was held at McKay High School in Salem, April 12. Back row, left to right: Corinne Warwick, Josie Hebert, Lori Claus, Kelleyne Williams, Lynette LaRue. Front row: Becky Denton, Michele Denton, Pam Boekhoff, Letha Cook.

A Good Idea

Gene Maynard of Sheridan has a good idea – to open a part-time state unemployment office in this area.

With an estimated 600 local workers hit by the lumber industry slump, we think the state should help lessen the burden on out-of-work people by opening a local office here.

As it is now, these workers must drive 15 or 20 or 25 miles to either McMinnville or Dallas to take care of their unemployment benefits. A state policy requires that unemployment offices not be operated within 25 miles of each other. That's fine in "normal" times – not "hard times like we are now experiencing.

We appreciate Rep. Paul Hanneman's interest in this issue. In a letter to Raymond P. Thorne, administrator of the state Employment Division, Hanneman has asked if a temporary office could be located in the Sheridan-Willamina area as Mr. Maynard has requested.

Scouting Reports

Brownie Troop #408 met March 27 at the Christian Church with all five members present.

Plans for their upcoming sale at the VFW Flea Market were discussed. Anyone wishing to donate items may get in contact with the troop. Proceeds from the sale will go towards sending the girls to Girl Scout Day Camp in July and/or purchasing new Junior uniforms for the troop.

Guest for the program was Joyce Parmeter and her daughters Kirsten, Ingrid and Kendall. Mrs. Parmeter brought a slide presentation showing her art of making dolls.

Following the slides she showed the girls several dolls, including her special doll Agatha and another life-sized friend.

Mrs. Parmeter makes approximately 100 dolls each year. They range from \$15 to over \$250 and are shown in many shows throughout the area.

She showed dolls in several stages of construction.

Hospital Honors Five Volunteers

Five local residents who volunteer to work at McMinnville Hospital were honored to Mark National Volunteer Week.

Local residents include Mrs. Archie Watson, Mrs. Ade Pelzer

and Mrs. Jerry Hamilton. Also honored were The Rev. Ned Landis of Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Willamina and Pastor Jack Baily of the Assembly of God Church in Sheridan.



Members of Willamina High School Junior-Senior Prom Court for 1980 are, from left, Myra Robinson [escort Tim George no pictured], Diane Hamilton-Alan Burdon, Tina Butler-Tony Evans, Karen Wilhelm-Joe Hargitt, Sandy Butler-Chad Brooks and Susan Wilson-Mark Taylor.



On a pleasant spring day, John Fancher takes out his tri-cycle for a cruise around Sheridan as he did last Sunday.





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A First Federal team player hustles to first after a hit during Tri-City Little League play.

