



# BEHIND THE MASK

Guest writer: For Asians in America, the threat — and the fear — is real **Viewpoints B1**

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## Linfield professor alleges antisemitism



Board of Rabbis calls for President Davis, board chair Baca, to step down

By DORA TOTOIAN  
Of the News-Register

The Oregon Board of Rabbis called Thursday for the resignation of Linfield University President Miles Davis and Board of Trustees chair David

Baca, matching calls from students and other university community members.

Allegations of sexual misconduct against Davis and other University Board of Trustees members have received renewed attention in recent weeks after the faculty trustee on the board detailed antisemitism he said he has experienced from Davis

during his process of reporting sexual misconduct allegations to the board.

The 31 members of the Oregon Board of Rabbis were polled, and the 22 who responded all signed the letter supporting the call for resignation.

The Pacific Northwest chapter of the Anti-Defamation

League also sent a letter last week requesting the university to investigate the allegations of antisemitism.

In a response to the ADL, Davis denied making the antisemitic comments and said Professor Daniel Pollack-Pelzner has been engaged in a "smear campaign" against him and the University admin-

istration. Linfield University spokesperson Scott Nelson said in a statement Wednesday that "the facts are straightforward: Outside law firms agreed upon by Dr. Pollack-Pelzner investigated his accusations of antisemitism in 2020 and found no misconduct or violations of

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## Dispensing hope

Virginia Garcia clinics planning to vaccinate 30,000 people by mid-July

By NICOLE MONTESANO  
Of the News-Register

Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center's 17 clinics across Yamhill and Washington counties have vaccinated nearly 15,000 people against COVID-19 so far, staff told Congresswoman Suzanne Bonamici last week. They said that's about halfway to their goal for mid-July.

The reaction they are hearing repeatedly, from people who receive the shot or learn they can make an appointment for one, is "thank God, it is here," staff told Bonamici.

On April 5, Bonamici, who recently helped secure \$10.2 million in funding for Virginia Garcia's efforts through the American Rescue Plan, held a meeting on Zoom with several clinic staff to discuss their efforts. She noted the pandemic "has highlighted the disparities" in access to health care, "among Black and Hispanic and Indigenous communities."

"I was coming to work every day and going back home not knowing if I was going to take it (the virus) home."

— Karla Maravilla  
Call center operator

The pandemic has been particularly devastating for Latinos and other people of color. Virginia Garcia, with offices in 17 locations in Washington and Yamhill counties, including Newberg, McMinnville and Willamina, is focusing its vaccination efforts on people of color who often work in high risk jobs and have a harder time obtaining health care.

In Yamhill County, Latinos make up 16.2% of the population, but 30% of all COVID-19 cases. In large part, that's because Latinos and other people of color often work in high-risk jobs.

Serena Cruz, Executive Director of Virginia Garcia, told Bonamici, "The statistic that stands out is the fact that only 18% of Latinx people throughout the country can work from home. That means 82% have to show up for work every day."

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Dental hygienist Kristen Short gives Marlene Guerrero her initial injection of the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine at the Virginia Garcia clinic in McMinnville on Tuesday. The clinic gave out more than 300 vaccinations.

Rusty Rae/News-Register

## After bout with COVID, nursery worker encourages everyone to get vaccinated

By DORA TOTOIAN  
Of the News-Register

For about two months in the summer, Maria I. Mota Garcia didn't leave her Dayton home. Mota-Garcia, 53, along with her husband, daughter, son-in-law and three grandchildren, all caught COVID-19.

When Mota Garcia, who for 11 years has worked at a nursery

in Dayton, had an opportunity to take the first dose of the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine a few weeks ago, the choice was obvious.

"It's meant so much to me. I don't want to get sick again," Mota Garcia said in Spanish. "Everyone in my family got the vaccine."

On a Saturday in June, Mota Garcia attended a family gathering with her three siblings who

live nearby. One of her brothers remarked he felt like he had the flu, and by the next Wednesday, she started feeling unwell. She was fatigued, her throat hurt, had a constant headache, and she'd lost her sense of taste, she said.

Mota Garcia knew she could no longer stay at work. One of her

See **COVID, A7**

## Secondary students to start hybrid classes

Parent opinions on district plan ranges from supportive to 'woefully inadequate'

By STARLA POINTER  
Of the News-Register

McMinnville middle and high school students will return to in-person classes Monday, April 19, 13 months after schools closed because of the coronavirus pandemic.

Students will be in classrooms for two periods, two days a week. The remainder of their time will be spent in distance learning, including watching live classes, receiving video lessons and completing projects. On Wednesdays, all students will have virtual advisory sessions as well as asynchronous classes in which they can review instructional materials independently, while teachers plan and prepare for their in-person and online sessions.

McMinnville reopened elementary schools March 15, with kindergarten through fifth-graders present about 2 1/2 hours a day, five days a week. To keep classroom groups small, for social distancing, about half attend in the morning and the rest in the afternoon.

About two-thirds of elementary students returned to schools, with most others opting for Comprehensive Distance Learning. About the same number of secondary students registered for hybrid classes.

High school and middle school teachers, administrators and school board members said they are thrilled that secondary students are returning, even part-time.

"The goal is to have all the kids back in school as soon as possible," board member Yanira Vera said at the board's Monday meeting.

Board member Carson Benner added, "we need to push to get as many as possible back in the classroom for as long as

See **CLASSES, A6**

### SOFTBALL

Tigers topple Pirates **A10**



## Dine Out(side) will return to Third

Downtown street will close to cars on weekends starting at end of May

By STARLA POINTER  
Of the News-Register

Diners will be able to enjoy al fresco meals and wine tastings this summer as McMinnville's Dine Out(side) program returns for a second year.

"Last year was such a success," said Dave Rucklos, manager of the McMinnville Downtown Association.

About 23 downtown restaurants served food and beverages outdoors last summer after the program was started to help businesses restricted by coronavirus pandemic regulations that limited indoor dining.

"It was good for us last year, and we're so thrilled to do it again," said Nora Lamb, owner of the Crescent Café at 526 N.E. Third St.

Dine Out(side) is especially helpful since indoor dining capacity is still limited, she said. By having tables outside, too,

Crescent Café will be able to return to nearly 100% capacity for its breakfast and lunch service.

That means it also will be able to expand to its full menu, rather than limited offerings, Lamb said.

"We'd be happy to have it seven days a week," she said.

Along Third Street, restaurants and wine tasting room owners were pleased with the

See **DINE, A2**



Rucklos

"Last year was such a success."

## CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

Below are a number of resources to help educate you and your family.

- Oregon Health Authority - [Oregon.gov/OHA](http://Oregon.gov/OHA)
- Our Health Oregon - [OurHealthOregon.org](http://OurHealthOregon.org)
- Yamhill County Public Health - [hhs.co.yamhill.or.us/publichealth](http://hhs.co.yamhill.or.us/publichealth)
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - [CDC.gov](http://CDC.gov)
- World Health Organization - [WHO.int](http://WHO.int)

For general information on coronavirus, call 211  
Additional resources are also available at [WillametteValleyMedical.com](http://WillametteValleyMedical.com)





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## WEATHER


### McMinnville area

**TODAY**  
 **H 77**  
**L 48**  
 Sunny,  
 NE winds 10 to 20

**SATURDAY**  
 **H 81**  
**L 48**  
 Sunny,  
 winds light and variable

**SUNDAY**  
 **H 82**  
**L 48**  
 Sunny,  
 SW winds 5 to 10 mph

**MONDAY**  
 **H 75**  
**L 48**  
 Mostly sunny,  
 NNE winds 5 to 10 mph

**TUESDAY**  
 **H 73**  
**L 45**  
 Partly cloudy,  
 N winds 5 to 10 mph

**The sun**

	Sunrise	Sunset
Fri.	6:25 a.m.	8:00 p.m.
Sat.	6:23 a.m.	8:01 p.m.
Sun.	6:22 a.m.	8:03 p.m.
Mon.	6:20 a.m.	8:04 p.m.

### Local climate, past 7 days

	High	Low	Precip.
Thursday	56	36	.04
Friday	58	30	trace
Saturday	53	33	.07
Sunday	60	28	-
Monday	66	39	-
Tuesday	64	46	-
Wednesday	69	37	-
<b>Actual April to date</b>			<b>0.11</b>
Average April 1-30			2.91
<b>Actual year to date</b>			<b>15.09</b>
Average year to date			16.13
Average Jan.1-Dec. 31			39.74

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

### Historical temperatures

April	High	Low	Precip.
Average	60	43	2.91
Extreme	99	3	7.07

From records 1894 to present

### Temperature extremes

Oregon extremes for the 24 hours ending at 5:30 a.m. Thursday :  
**High temp:** Scappoose..... 72  
**Low temp:** Lakeview..... 18  
**High precip:** .....no precip

### 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>	
2:49 a.m. (7.8)	9:50 a.m. (0.1)
4:37 p.m. (6.0)	9:23 p.m. (3.5)
<b>Saturday</b>	
3:22 a.m. (7.5)	10:36 a.m. (0.3)
5:36 p.m. (5.7)	10:04 p.m. (3.8)
<b>Sunday</b>	
4:01 a.m. (7.2)	11:30 a.m. (0.4)
6:48 p.m. (5.5)	11:00 p.m. (4.1)
<b>Monday</b>	
4:53 a.m. (6.9)	-
8:02 p.m. (5.6)	12:32 p.m. (0.5)

## GOVERNMENT CALENDAR

Listed are meetings involving city government, county government and school district agencies in Yamhill County. To update information, email [events@newsregister.com](mailto:events@newsregister.com).

### TUESDAY, APRIL 20

**Dundee City Council:** 7 p.m., city hall, 620 S.W. Fifth St., 503-538-3922.

**McMinnville Water & Light Commission:** 5 p.m., Water & Light Office, 855 N.E. Marsh Lane, 503-472-6158.

**Yamhill Regional Water Authority Commission:** 10 a.m., Water & Light Office, 855 N.E. Marsh Lane, 503-472-6919, ext. 5.

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21

**Dundee Planning Commission:** 7 p.m., city hall, 620 S.W. Fifth St., 503-538-3922.

**Lafayette Fire Department:** 7 p.m., fire hall, 486 Third St., 503-864-2451.

**Sheridan School Board:** 6 p.m., school district office, 435

S. Bridge St., 503-843-2433.

**County Solid Waste Advisory Committee:** 4 p.m., Room 32, county courthouse, 535 N.E. Fifth St., McMinnville, 503-434-7516.

**McMinnville City Council:** 6 p.m., Zoom, civic hall, 200 N.E. Second St., 503-434-7302.

### THURSDAY, APRIL 22

**Yamhill County Board of Commissioners:** 10 a.m., Room 32, county courthouse, 535 N.E. Fifth St., McMinnville, 503-434-7501. Formal session.

### MONDAY, APRIL 26

**McMinnville School Board:** 7:30 p.m., via Zoom, administration building, 800 N.E. Lafayette Avenue, 503-565-4000.

### TUESDAY, APRIL 27

**Housing Authority of Yamhill County:** 6 p.m., conference call/HAYC office, 135 N. E. Dunn Place, McMinnville, 503-434-6571.

## EVENTS CALENDAR

### THURSDAY, MAY 6

**Plant sale:** The Yamhill County Master Gardener's Association will hold an online plant sale with scheduled pick-up times on Thursday through Saturday, May 6-8 and 13-15, at the Yamhill County Fairgrounds, 2070 N.E. Lafayette Ave., McMinnville. Profits will fund continuing education for Yamhill County residents and college scholarships for Yamhill County high school seniors. For more information, contact Kelli Watcherson at 503-434-8916 or at [kelli.watcherson@oregonstate.edu](mailto:kelli.watcherson@oregonstate.edu).

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Duane Van Dyke drives Shire horses Nick and Emma during the Oregon Draft Horse Breeders Association plowing competition Saturday at the Yamhill Valley Heritage Center. Draft horses were part of Farm Fest, which became virtual this year, with many guests watching on Facebook rather than attending in person. Yamhill County Historical Society plans to host in-person events again starting in June. Marcus Larson/News-Register

# Farm Fest goes virtual, but live events planned later this year

The News-Register staff

The gigantic draft horses didn't care about COVID; they were just there to lend their muscles to pull plows at the 2021 Farm Fest, a Yamhill County Historical Society event that went virtual this year.

Usually hundreds of spectators visit the Yamhill Valley Heritage Museum, just southwest of McMinnville, for the annual draft horse and mule pulling competition and other Farm Fest activities. This year, the crowd was sparse because of coronavirus restrictions, but anyone could watch the

fun on the YCHS Facebook page.

A 90-minute video is still posted on the page and can be viewed without charge.

In addition to the Oregon Draft Horse Breeders Association competition, the virtual Farm Fest featured blacksmithing, interviews with horse owners and historical society volunteers, and demonstrations of farming techniques dating from the early days of Yamhill County in the 19th Century.

YCHS hopes Farm Fest will return to its in-person format in 2022.

Long before that, though,

YCHS plans to reopen its museums and resume other activities.

The heritage center, 11275 S.W. Durham Lane, and the historical museum and research center, 605 Market St. in Lafayette, will reopen Friday, June 4. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, with appointments available other times.

Upcoming live events planned at the heritage center include:

■ Hay Day, with demonstrations of haying with antique equipment, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 26; \$5 per car.

■ Harvest Fest, including harvesting a crop with vintage equipment, demonstrations, music, food and children's activities, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 21, and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 22; \$8 for adults, free to those younger than 12.

■ Vintage baseball, 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 11; \$5 per car.

■ Handmade Holidays bazaar, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5.

For more information, go to the YCHS website, at [www.yamhillcountyhistory.org](http://www.yamhillcountyhistory.org).

## Dine

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Dine Out(side) program, Rucklos said. But the real drive for having it a second year came from diners. "People loved it," he said.

About 30 restaurants and wine tasting rooms located between Baker and Galloway streets will participate this year, Rucklos said. They will set up tables on Third Street, which will be closed to vehicle traffic Friday evenings and all day Saturdays and Sundays — and Thursday evenings, as well, part of the summer.

Dine Out(side) will start May 28, Memorial Day Weekend, and last through September. It will take place Friday through Sunday during the first month, then Thursday through Sunday from July 4 through Labor Day, returning to Friday through Sunday for its final few weekends.

Rucklos said Dine Out(side) may give way to another event, the UFO Festival, on the final weekend of September. The wildly popular UFO conference, alien parade and related activities are tentatively scheduled for Sept. 23-25, after being canceled in 2020 and moved from its usual May weekend.

In addition to adding another block to the dining area and Thursday service for part of the summer, this year's Dine Out(side) program will include additional tables at many restaurants and, music



Above: During the first summer of Dine Out(side) in downtown McMinnville, Sheri Lunsford, left, and Susan MacLean enjoy lunch at McMenamins. About 30 restaurants will set up tables on Third Street this summer during the second round of Dine Out(side). News-Register photo

at some locations, Rucklos said. In addition, the MDA and Visit McMinnville will put up more barriers and signs promoting the program.

"It's shaping up to be really good," he said.

Last year, Rucklos estimated, about 600 to 700 people dined out each weekend. This year, there may be even more as travel restrictions are easing, so visitors may join locals on Third Street.

He said MDA also is encouraging more Third Street businesses, such as gift shops and clothing stores, to participate by staying open during Dining Out(side). He suggested they offer wine tastings or food samples to draw in customers.

## UFOs expected in September

The News-Register staff

McMenamins Hotel Oregon and the McMinnville Downtown Association are planning to bring back UFOs in September.

The annual UFO Festival, which was canceled in 2020, is scheduled for Thursday through Saturday, Sept. 23-25. That's a change from past years, when the event was held in May.

McMenamins announced

the dates this way, "Since we've been living the plot of a sci-fi movie for over a year, we are ready for the UFO Fest 2021!"

The festival will include the popular alien parade down Third Street, a 5K run, pet costume contest, speakers and presentations about UFO incidents and research. For more information, go to [www.mcmenamins.com/ufo-festival](http://www.mcmenamins.com/ufo-festival).

## Riverbend Community Meeting

This meeting is a regulatory requirement for Riverbend's Title V air permit.

There will be time for questions and input from the community.

Wednesday, April 28, at 7:00 pm

In an effort to keep our community safe, we have transitioned to a virtual format.

Please RSVP to [KThomp19@wm.com](mailto:KThomp19@wm.com) and you will receive login credentials prior to the meeting.



[riverbend.wm.com](http://riverbend.wm.com)



## Legal News Today

Full text of today's legal notices appears on B6-7.





Rusty Rae/News-Register

Mike Bisset, community development director, is retiring after two decades with the city of McMinnville. Working on the civic hall was one of his favorite projects.

# 'A rewarding career'

Mike Bisset retiring after 21 years as Mac's community development director

By DORA TOTOIAN  
Of the News-Register

In the past 54 years, the city of McMinnville has had only three public works/community development directors, each with a tenure of about 20 years.

"I think that's reflective of what a good community this is to work for and how supportive the community is of the infrastructure," community development director Mike Bisset said.

After 21 years with the city of McMinnville, Bisset is retiring. He looks forward to spending time with his grandchildren, supporting his wife as she farms a hazelnut orchard and attending fewer Zoom meetings.

But he will miss the people he works with and the details necessary for ensuring smooth operation of city services people depend on.

"Most everything I've been able to do has been interesting, and that's what's kept me engaged," Bisset said.

"Whether it was the biological process that we use to treat sewage, or dealing with an endangered species that lives at the airport, or figuring out the differences in safety for a roundabout vs. a traffic signal, or the best material to use in a playground so the children are safe when they fall."

Bisset grew up in The Dalles, where his father's work at the Martin-Marietta aluminum plant allowed him to study civil engineering at Oregon State University. The company issued around

100 scholarships each year nationwide for children of employees, he said.

"I'm eternally grateful for the hard work that my father put in for me to have the career I've had," Bisset said.

Bisset arrived in McMinnville in 2000 after working in the 1980s as a surveyor, completing road projects for Yamhill County, and in the 1990s as engineering manager for the city of Tualatin, then one of the fastest-growing cities in the state.

As assistant city engineer in McMinnville, his team managed most of the city's capital infrastructure projects, oversaw streets and wastewater management, reviewed infrastructure built by developers and more. When he arrived, he helped finish projects such as making Lafayette Avenue into an urban arterial and adding sidewalks along Fellows Street.

He stepped into former community development director Don Schut's role in 2006.

"He left a highly functioning department well-respected in the community, and it was my job not to mess that up," Bisset said.

Now, Bisset has been the longest-serving department leader of all the people on the executive team, city manager Jeff Towery said.

"We've often looked to Mike as the historical touchstone," Towery said. "I know the community is a better place because of the years Mike has spent there. We're proud of the team he helped build."

Bisset will work part time for the next few months while the city recruits a new community development

director, Towery said.

In the past two decades, voters have approved park, transportation and public safety bonds, the latter of which resulted in a new police station and civic hall, Bisset said. The city has also invested millions in its wastewater management system since the 1990s by upgrading pipes, he said.

"The public support has been incredible, and it's been important for us to not only complete those projects but do them well and deliver the projects the public has asked us to do," Bisset said.

"I think that's reflective of what a good community this is to work for and how supportive the community is of the infrastructure."

— Mike Bisset

Bisset described seeing numerous changes in his two decades in McMinnville, and two that stand out are the city's population growth and residents' preferred modes of communicating with the city.

Growth in recent years has been slightly faster than it used to be, and he described Planning Director Heather Richards' approach as thoughtful during a chal-

lenging time. In recent years, residents have interacted more with the city online and he said his department has adjusted, with the help of community engagement and public affairs coordinator Noelle Amaya.

He acknowledged the city has not been perfect, pointing to its response after a snowstorm about a decade ago that left Highway 99W through the city undrivable. His department used it as a learning opportunity to develop a strategy of coordinating with county and state partners in anticipation of inclement weather.

"We didn't fare so well publicly after that on that one, but we tried to learn from it and be better, and knowing that that wasn't acceptable, we knew we needed to be better," Bisset said.

He's proud of his staff's work, especially in the past year. Though there have been changes and inconsistencies caused by the pandemic, his team still had to deliver because there's an expectation streets and sewers will continue working, he said.

Bisset said he is also grateful to the many local policymakers with whom he has collaborated and the mutual trust they share with city staff. He consistently brags about them to his peers around the state, he said, and he believes their commitment is reflective of what has made his career in McMinnville meaningful.

"The community has a legacy of people who want to do good things and be involved for all the right reasons. It's made it easy to do my job, and it's made it a rewarding career," Bisset said.

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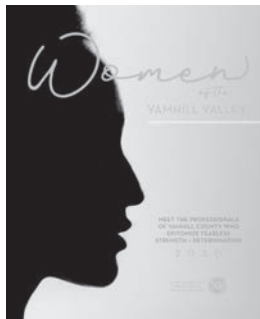
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#### YAMHILL COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

**Tanner Levi Abbott**, 36, Willamina, April 9, second-degree criminal mischief, second-degree burglary, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle/two counts, fail to perform the duties of a driver when property is damaged, reckless driving; booked into the Yamhill County Jail on \$39,000 bail.

**Kimberly Denise Autry**, 52, McMinnville, April 11, fail to appear; booked into the Yamhill County Jail on \$5,000 bail.

**Branden Randall Bolen**, 28, Newberg, April 13, post-prison supervision violation; booked into the Yamhill County Jail without bail.

**Josue Lee Cain**, 43, Portland, April 14, probation violation; booked and released.

**Julia Ann Cunningham**, 48, McMinnville, April 9, post-prison supervision violation; booked into the Yamhill County Jail without bail.

**Elizabeth Nina Gaona**, 37, McMinnville, April 8, fail to appear/two counts; booked into the Yamhill County Jail on \$15,000 bail.

**Jeffery Scott Hubbard**, 31, Molalla, April 8, fail to appear; booked into the Yamhill County Jail on \$7,000 bail.

**Charles Anthony Jones**, 49, McMinnville, April 13, post-prison supervision violation, probation violation; booked into the Yamhill County Jail without bail.

**Shane Michael Justen**, 48, Amity, April 13, post-prison supervision violation; booked into the Yamhill County Jail without bail.

**Jesse Aaron Nealy**, 31, Salem,

April 7, fail to perform the duties of a driver when property is damaged; booked and released.

**Roberto James Nunez**, 31, Newberg, April 13, fail to appear/two counts; booked and released.

**Elizabeth Bianca Ortega**, 25, Lafayette, April 13, fail to appear, Multnomah County hold; booked into the Yamhill County Jail on \$62,500 bail.

**Jorge Luis Velazquez Sanchez**, 22, Amity, April 7, menacing, unlawful use of a weapon; booked into the Yamhill County Jail without bail.

**Jerry Dale Schilling**, 59, Gresham, April 12, probation violation; booked and released.

**Eric Andrew Strickland**, 27, Newberg, April 14, violation of a restraining order; booked into the Yamhill County Jail on \$5,000 bail.

#### McMINNVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

**Gustavo Andalon**, 23, McMinnville, April 7, delivery of a controlled substance/schedule II; booked into the Yamhill County Jail on \$10,000 bail.

**Paul Stephen Knight Jr.**, 37, McMinnville, April 7, violation of a release agreement, violation of a restraining order; booked into the Yamhill County Jail on \$22,500 bail.

**Alexander Scott Mason**, 37, McMinnville, April 8, first-degree burglary, third-degree theft, fail to appear/five counts; booked into the Yamhill County Jail on \$37,500 bail.

**Jesse Josue Preciado**, 28, McMinnville, April 7, second-degree burglary, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle; booked into

the Yamhill County Jail without bail.

**Bradley Alex Prichard**, 36, McMinnville, April 8, second-degree theft, fraudulent use of a credit card, identity theft; booked into the Yamhill County Jail on \$17,500 bail.

**Abraham Sanchez Romero**, 22, Tillamook, April 11, second-degree assault, unlawful use of a weapon; booked into the Yamhill County Jail on \$157,500 bail.

**Robert Thomas Shedlosky**, 25, Sheridan, April 8, fail to appear/four counts; booked into the Yamhill County Jail on \$10,000 bail.

**Danielle Dee Williams**, 43, Dayton, April 10, post-prison supervision violation; booked into the Yamhill County Jail without bail.

**Falon Marie Wright**, 37, McMinnville, April 8, third-degree theft, fraudulent use of a credit card/four counts, identity theft/four counts, attempt to commit a crime/three counts, theft of lost/misplaced property; booked into the Yamhill County Jail on \$78,000 bail.

#### NEWBERG-DUNDEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

**Gordon Arthur Perkins**, 47,

Newberg, April 9, Lincoln County hold, violation of a release agreement; booked into the Yamhill County Jail without bail.

**Alexis Salomon Ramirez**, 24, Newberg, April 11, fail to appear/two counts, contempt of court, driving while revoked or suspended, Marion County hold; booked into the Yamhill County Jail on \$40,000 bail.

**Jeremy Lawrence Williams**, 29, Newberg, April 11, fourth-degree assault; booked into the Yamhill County Jail on \$10,000 bail.

**Jason Neal Williams**, 42, Carlton, April 8, driving while revoked or suspended; booked and released.

**Leonard Michael Ray Wilson**, 46, Newberg, April 13, second-degree theft, identity theft; booked and released.

#### OREGON STATE POLICE

**Benjamin Oseas Ramirez**, 28, McMinnville, April 8, driving while suspended; cited and released.

**Juan Manuel Sotosalgado**, 31, Salem, April 12, fail to appear; booked into the Yamhill County Jail on \$25,000 bail.

**Erica Malia Wood**, 22, McMinnville, April 9, driving under the influence of intoxicants; cited and released.

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## COURT RECORDS

## CIVIL FILINGS

**Midland Credit Management vs. Leslie L. Smith, also known as Leslie Woodruff:** Granted a \$2,738 judgment.

**Midland Credit Management vs. Arthur Kinne:** Granted a \$2,318 judgment.

**Midland Credit Management vs. Jamie Smith:** Granted a \$2,247 judgment.

**Midland Credit Management vs. Minda Jackson:** Seeks \$1,931 allegedly owed.

**Midland Credit Management vs. Angelica Huanaco:** Seeks \$891 allegedly owed.

**Midland Credit Management vs. Alicia M. Meas:** Granted a \$795 judgment.

**Bank of America vs. Marco A. Carrillo Garcia:** Seeks \$8,646 allegedly owed.

**Bank of America vs. Shelby Morgan Paul-Wagner:** Seeks \$7,071 allegedly owed.

**Bank of America vs. Viola I. Vasquez:** Seeks \$1,820 allegedly owed.

**Bank of America vs. John E. Stearns:** Seeks \$1,617 allegedly owed.

**Portfolio Recovery Associates vs. Teresa Privatsky:** Seeks \$1,556 allegedly owed.

**Portfolio Recovery Associates vs. Sabrina M. Driskell:** Seeks \$1,454 allegedly owed.

**Portfolio Recovery Associates vs. Justus Gash:** Seeks \$1,370 allegedly owed.

**Portfolio Recovery Associates vs. Eladio R. Fuerto:** Seeks \$1,138 allegedly owed.

**Capital One Bank USA vs. David T. Filla:** Seeks \$11,048 allegedly owed.

**Capital One Bank USA vs. Kayla C. Quinney:** Seeks \$3,855 allegedly owed.

**Capital One Bank USA vs. Gregory Drury:** Seeks \$2,501 allegedly owed.

**Discover Bank vs. Marco A. Carrillo:** Granted a \$12,149 judgment.

**Discover Bank vs. Joshua E. Lowery:** Granted a \$4,979 judgment.

**Discover Bank vs. Erick Olson:** Seeks \$3,143 allegedly owed.

**OneMain Financial Group vs. Alex D. Rowe:** Seeks \$8,748 allegedly owed.

**OneMain Financial Group vs. Aurelia Rangel Mata:** Granted a \$6,530 judgment.

**Second Round Sub LLC vs. Flora Moyers:** Granted an \$862 judgment.

**Second Round Sub LLC vs. Sheri K. Jones:** Granted an \$830 judgment.

**Velocity Investments vs. Miguel Azua:** Seeks \$5,951 allegedly owed.

**Velocity Investments vs. John Henry:** Seeks \$13,193 allegedly owed.

**Absolute Resolutions Investments vs. David Bailey:** Granted a \$2,008 judgment.

**Citibank vs. Marc E. Stein:** Granted a \$5,682 judgment.

**Diana Gabel vs. Alyssa Berry:** Alleges negligence in an April 2019 motor vehicle crash; seeks \$350,000 in non-economic damages and \$38,000 in economic damages.

**Emily Paine, also known as Emily Dye, vs. Yamhill County District Attorney Bradley berry:** Petition seeks relief from obligation to report as a sexual offender.

**Genesis Recovery Services vs. John Kenneth Benson:** Seeks \$3,091 allegedly owed.

**Jane Kristof, individually, and others vs. Rebecca Bowman-Mealey and Matthew A. Mealey:** Seeks order for removal of all obstructions across roadway which plaintiffs given unlimited access.

**Nicholas White vs. Steven Cain Construction:** Granted a \$10,000 judgment.

**Oscar Diaz Higareda vs. Rogelio Gutierrez:** Granted a \$154,558 judgment.

**Ray Klein, Inc., doing business as Credit Service, vs. Mitchell D., also known as Mitch, Rickard and Tamara Rickard:** Granted a \$2,745 judgment.

**State Farm Mutual Automobile Company, subrogee of Mary Whitfield, vs. Recology Western Oregon Valley Inc. and Robert Porter:** Alleges negligence in an April 2019 motor vehicle crash; seeks a \$25,000 judgment.

**The Fundworks vs. Pleasant Hill Development Company and others:** Alleges breach of written agreement; seeks an \$83,729 judgment.

## CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS

**William James Beam, 23, Lafayette:** Sentenced by Judge Ladd Wiles to 30 days in the Yamhill County Jail for violating probation.

**Adrian Danilo Contreras, 37, Grand Ronde:** Sentenced by Judge Larry Blake to 10 days in the Yamhill County Jail on a Newberg Municipal Court hold.

**Cooper VJ Cunningham, 29, Sheridan:** Sentenced by Presiding Judge Cynthia Easterday to 12 months probation, 80 community service hours and fined \$100 on a conviction of fourth-degree assault.

**Jesus Efrain Esquivel, 38, McMinnville:** Sentenced by Presiding Judge Cynthia Easterday to five days in the Yamhill County Jail, 24 months probation, 12-month driver license suspension and fined \$1,000 on a conviction of driving under the influence of intoxicants.

**Mara Del Rosario Godinez, 44, Sunnyside, Washington:** Fined \$440 by Presiding Judge Cynthia Easterday on a conviction of reckless driving.

**Shawn David Hamilton, 38, Amity:** Fined 440 by Presiding Judge Cynthia Easterday on a conviction of second-degree criminal trespass.

**Greyson Riley Hynton, 24, Portland:** Sentenced by Presiding Judge Cynthia Easterday to three

days in the Yamhill County Jail, 12 months probation and fined \$100 on a conviction of second-degree criminal mischief.

**Adam James Jevning, 42, Amity:** Sentenced by Judge Ladd Wiles to 180 days in the Yamhill County Jail for violating probation; additionally, sentenced by Judge Wiles to 60 days in jail and 36 months probation on convictions of delivery of a controlled substance/methamphetamine within 1,000 feet of a school and endangering the welfare of a minor.

**Matthew Charles Johnson, 52, Oregon City:** Sentenced by Judge Ladd Wiles to 30 days in the Yamhill County Jail, 24 months probation, lifetime driver license revocation and fined \$1,000 on a conviction of driving under the influence of intoxicants.

**Adrian Michael Lambricht, 31, McMinnville:** Sentenced by Judge John Collins to seven days in the Yamhill County Jail, 24 months probation, 36-month driver license suspension and fined \$1,500 on convictions of driving under the influence of intoxicants and possession of a controlled substance/heroin.

**Christopher Colton Pushor, 30, Beaverton:** Sentenced by Judge Ladd Wiles to 120 hours - five days - in the Yamhill County Jail, 18 months probation and fined \$100 on a conviction of possession of a controlled substance/methamphetamine.

**Omar Amador Rivas-Ordaz, 30, Newberg:** Sentenced by Judge Ladd Wiles to 45 days in the Yamhill County Jail, 36 months probation, lifetime driver license revocation and fined \$2,000 on convictions of second-degree criminal mischief and driving under the influence of intoxicants; additionally, sentenced by Judge Wiles to 15 days in jail, 36 months probation, 12-month license suspension and fined \$1,500 on convictions of driving under the influence of intoxicants and reckless driving.

**Michael Andrew Sandoval, 35, Sheridan:** Sentenced by Presiding Judge Cynthia Easterday to 18 months probation and fined \$100 on a conviction of fourth-degree assault.

**Chelsie Fay Sanders, 28, McMinnville:** Sentenced by Presiding Judge Cynthia Easterday to 12 months probation and seven work crew days on a conviction of initiating a false report.

**Arturo Vargas-Avalos, 50, Beaverton:** Sentenced by Judge Ladd Wiles to 10 days in the Yamhill County Jail, 24 months probation, 12-month driver license suspension and fined \$2,000 on a conviction of driving under the influence of intoxicants.

**JimJoe Allen Yslas, 37, Sheridan:** Sentenced by Presiding Judge Cynthia Easterday to 12 months probation, seven work crew days and fined \$100 on a conviction of fail to report as a sex offender.

## DIVORCES GRANTED

**Jason Lee Bickell,** Clackamas, and **Cindy Lee Bickell,** McMinnville; respondent's name **Smith** restored.

**James B. Dawson,** Newberg, and **Lizette A. Ramirez Soris,** Lincoln City.

**Jenny Marie Kern,** Yamhill, and **Douglas Elton Victor Kern,** McMinnville, petitioner's name **Blanchard** restored.

**Joshua Paul Schmidt,** Newberg, and **Elsa Ziedrich Schmidt,** McMinnville.

**Tyler John Snyder,** Yamhill, and **Heidi Snyder,** Dayton, respondent's name **Cisneros-Garcia** restored.

## MARRIAGE APPLICATIONS

**Naomi Giangone,** 29, accountant/human resources manager, Newberg, and **Ryan Christopher Voss,** 31, fabricator/welder, Newberg.

**Darrick Virgil Green,** 32, cellarmaster, Sheridan, and **Norma Ray Buchholz,** 35, chef, Sheridan.

**Nicki Leeann Gregory,** 37, paralegal, Lafayette, and **Sean Alexander Bundrant,** 33, painter, Lafayette.

**Nickelle Daineal Jonette Hope,** 29, teacher, Arverne, New York, and **Clydon Andrew Wong,** 32, bus driver, Yamhill.

**Noelle Rene Murray,** 23, operations coordinator, Newberg, and **Joel Mitchell Sigrist,** 23, marketing director, Tigard.

**Anna Darlene Robbins,** 22, administrative specialist, McMinnville, and **Enrique Rogel Lopez, Jr.,** 22, electrician, McMinnville.

**Cassandra Marie Thornburg,** 32, flagger, McMinnville, and **Adam Edward Wagner,** 31, journeyman, McMinnville.

**Jennifer Rose Turpen,** 40, clerical, Newberg, and **Robert Casey Hill,** 39, mechanic, Newberg.

**Jamie Lee Vega,** 24, teacher, Newberg, and **Celso Marques Penteasbo Serra Neto,** 29, culinary associate team leader, Newberg.

**Alexandra Nicole West,** 21, stay-at-home mother, McMinnville, and **Jesse Ryder Lane,** 21, front desk, McMinnville.

## PROBATE FILINGS

**Dennis A. Ellis:** Small estate closed; **Jeff Ellis** appointed affiant.

**Helen Louise Fleming:** Will entered into probate; **James W. Fleming** proposed personal representative.

**Susan D. Quinteros:** Will entered into probate; **Teresa Quinteros** proposed personal representative.

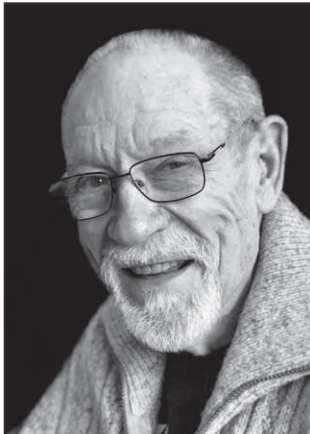
**Ruth C. Sauer:** Small estate closed; **Brian J. Sauer** appointed affiant.

**Katherine Small:** Small estate closed; **Jane A. Childers** appointed affiant.

**Gloria J. Turner:** Small estate closed; **Denise M. Kite** appointed affiant.

**Barbara Ann Waldon:** Small estate closed; **Kathryn Green** appointed affiant.

## OBITUARIES

DANIEL PONSO  
1944 - 2021

Daniel Ponso died peacefully in his sleep, at the age of 76, with his wife Linda by his side on April 11, 2021. Dan spent his childhood in San Pedro, California, with a doting mother and proud Italian father. He loved to play outside with the neighborhood kids and spent much of his youth devoted to playing baseball. A natural artist, Dan also enjoyed the solitude of painting, sculpting, drawing and, of course, listening to his favorite songs. He attended California State University at Long Beach, where he began his studies in art. While there, he held one of his all-time favorite jobs, working with kids and coaching baseball at Peck Park. He reflected on those days with fondness and would recall eating salami and bread from a nearby Italian deli.

In June of 1975, Dan was married to the love of his life, Linda. They spent their first three years of marriage in California, where they both taught school. In 1978, they moved to McMinnville, Oregon. Dan and Linda had their first daughter, Angie, in September of 1979, and Stephanie came next in June of 1981. Dan loved playing outside with the girls and teaching them sports as they got older. He took them camping, introduced outdoor cooking, and could easily captivate them with an impromptu story like Alligator Island. He shared his love of art and music often and trained them in the time-honored skills of handmade Italian ravioli. Dan spent years developing and honing his cooking skills. He loved to read recipes aloud and ponder ways to make them better or more unique. His signature recipe was undoubtedly the spaghetti sauce, Ponso Sauce. On the stove by dawn, he would let it simmer all day long and loved to serve it with mostaccioli al dente. On the most special occasions, his signature sauce was accompanied by the Ponso family traditional ravioli recipe, and that was heaven. By 2009, he had the honor of passing this culinary tradition on to yet another generation of Ponsos. His older daughter, Angie, and her husband, Doug Smith, gave Dan his beautiful granddaughters, Lydia and Gia Ponso.

As a brilliant storyteller with a quick wit, Dan could capture an audience with ease. This, of course, led to him being a truly amazing teacher. Over his 24-year career in McMinnville, he taught art, history and social studies while somehow managing to make them all seem equally interesting. Enhancing the excitement of a classroom by creating traditions like the "Snow Chant" made him so uplifting and memorable. He had a way of connecting to kids through art and storytelling that was unparalleled. He was ambitious and got excited about taking on big art projects. He coveted each step of the planning process with the utmost precision. At Rogers Junior High School in California, he arranged for students to paint murals on public buses still in use on the roads. He used this as a way to spread art all around the city on more than one occasion. He painted multiple murals, including the mustang pack that spanned the width of what was once called the "McMinnville Junior High School" gym. He also painted the Duniway Dragon upon the grand opening of the second middle school in McMinnville in 1994. Dan had a genuine gift of humor and charisma that we all loved. He had a talent in art that could be easily envied. He was kind, smart and caring. He will be forever loved and missed.

Memorial contributions may be made to Parkinson's Resources of Oregon, in care of Macy & Son. A memorial service will be held in the near future, when we can all gather safely. Until then, please share your favorite Ponso memories at Macy's website: [www.macyandson.com](http://www.macyandson.com).

JOANNE  
(HIATT)  
STRADLEY  
1929 - 2021

Joanne (Hiatt) Stradley passed away peacefully of natural causes in her Yamhill, Oregon, home, lovingly attended by her son, Dan, and daughter-in-law, Linda. She was received into the welcoming arms of her Lord and Savior on April 8, 2021. She was 91, the third of five siblings born in Portland, Oregon, to Lester and Rachel Hiatt.

After graduating from Franklin High School, she met and married the love of her life, Donald Stradley, at her church; they shared nearly 70 years together before his passing in 2017.

She was the social butterfly of the family, always welcoming friends and family into her home, and serving youth, women and those with special needs for many years through her church. Her grandchildren were her delight, nine in all, and 19 great-grandchildren.

She is survived by one sister, Carol Six, age 98; her two children, Linda Hoard (David) and Dan Stradley (Linda); along with her numerous grand and great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. She will be remembered with much love by all who knew her.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, April 19, at the Chapel of Macy & Son. To leave condolences, visit [www.macyandson.com](http://www.macyandson.com).

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THERESIA ANNA  
HEFFERNAN  
1935 - 2021

Grace Theresia Anna (Matz) Heffernan passed away peacefully on Saturday, April 10, 2021. She was born May 20, 1935, in Los Angeles, California. The eldest daughter of immigrants, she attended Loyola Marymount College in Los Angeles before marrying the love of her life, Stephen F. Heffernan Jr on January 15, 1955. The wife of a career Navy and Air Force man, she lived her life devoted to her family and the church. Theresia and Stephen raised five children.

In 1978, they moved from Las Vegas to Sheridan, Oregon. She worked as a substitute for the Sheridan and Willamina school districts and Dan Corrigan and Associates. Her main passion was working for and teaching religious education at St. James Church in McMinnville and Holy Trinity in Beaverton for many years before retiring shortly before her husband's death in 2013.

Having lived all over the U.S. and in Germany during her husband's military career, Theresia learned how to cook all different kinds of foods. She was a wonderful cook and passed this passion on to her oldest son and a grandson. Life was always happening in the kitchen.

Theresia was an amazing woman, always giving of her time, energy and whatever resources she had. She enjoyed fishing with her father and sister, playing the piano, painting and pottery. She was a good listener and always had words of wisdom as well as a hug for anyone. But more than anything, regardless of all things, she loved her family. Gatherings were moments of pure joy for her. Although her family is spread, literally, throughout the world, she prayed for and loved them every day. Her battle with Alzheimer's dementia took its toll, but she lived happily and peacefully at Parkland Assisted Living. All who knew her said she was always full of joy and would bring a smile to their faces. She loved telling stories and showing off her wedding album.

Theresia was preceded in death by her father, Frank Matz (1976); son-in-law, Russell Potter (2011); mother, Anna Matz (2013); husband, Stephen (2013); son, Stephen III (2015); and sister, Elizabeth (Matz) Link (2021).

She is survived by children, Anna Mary (James Greer) Heffernan, Frank (Diana) Heffernan, Sheila (Gary) Hay, and Amy Potter. She has a dozen grandchildren, Jessica Heffernan, Matthew Heffernan, Maia (Greer) Leonard, Aidan Greer, Nicole Heffernan, Melissa Heffernan, James Hay, Karyn (Hay) Summar, Briana Potter, Trinity Potter, Maura Potter, and Tayla Potter; as well as 13 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild born only days before her passing.

Her love, kindness, care and faith will be remembered and dearly missed by everyone.

A funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, April 23, 2021, at St. James Catholic Church in McMinnville, Oregon.

JEANNE BLACKSHEAR  
1931 - 2021

Jeanne Blackshear, 89, passed away into the arms of Jesus on April 5, 2021, in McMinnville, Oregon.

She was born June 29, 1931, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, to Marie and Paul Carnes. She was six when the family moved to Los Angeles. She grew up with her sister Mary and brothers, Bob and Bill. She attended Culter Academy, Biola College and George Fox. After attending George Fox, she went home and soon married her husband, Douglas Blackshear, on December 15, 1954. They started their family with twin girls, another daughter, and two sons.

She couldn't get Newberg out of her mind, and the family soon moved to Newberg, Oregon, in 1964. She worked with Ron Willcuts Construction for years and other various jobs and retired from Cascade Steel years later.

Doug and Jeanne retired to Depoe Bay, Oregon, and enjoyed the beach life for 25 years. When Doug passed away, Jeanne moved to McMinnville to be close to family.

Jeanne was preceded in death by her husband, Douglas; and two grandsons, John and Hap. She is survived by daughters, twins Patricia Buck (Rex) of Carlton, and Peggi Upperman (Lee) of Newberg, and Paula Cray of Hollister, California; sons, Douglas Blackshear Jr. of Carlton, and Steven Blackshear (Nancy) of Triangle Lake, Oregon; 13 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

A celebration of life will be held at 11 a.m. April 30, at the Chapel of Macy & Son. Private burial will be at Valley View Cemetery in Newberg. To leave online condolences, visit [www.macyandson.com](http://www.macyandson.com).

JOHN M. BRIDGES  
1936 - 2021

John M. Bridges passed away quietly March 26, 2021, at home with his loving wife at his side. He died of complications from CHF and Parkinson's disease. The second of five siblings, John was born November 11, 1936, in Seattle, Washington, to parents William Harry Bridges and Harriet Anne (Costello) Bridges.

He was a good man, and loved by many. He served in the Navy on submarines, the USS Perch, and one of the first nuclear subs, the USS Halibut.

Surviving is his loving wife, Genevieve; four children by his previous wife; grandchildren; brothers, Bill and Tom; and sister, Ruth. He was preceded in death by his parents and younger brother, Dick.

He loved his farm in Sheridan, Oregon, and wanted to die there. He got his last wish.

He will be missed, but the biggest loss is felt by his loving wife and special friend, Genevieve.

John will have an honorable burial at Willamette National Cemetery. The funeral is by special invitation only.

May the love of my life of 23 and 3/4 years now be able to rest in peace and know our love was more real than any other love possible. I love and miss you. Your wife, Genevieve

## Grand Ronde powwows canceled for second year

The News-Register staff

The Marcellus Norwest Memorial Veterans Powwow, traditionally held in July, and the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Contest Powwow, an August fixture on the tribal grounds, have been canceled for the second straight year because of COVID-19 concerns.

Tribal officials posted the following message on their Facebook page:

"This was a difficult decision to make and one that we do not take lightly.

"Over the past year, everyone has made significant progress against COVID-19.

However, the ongoing gathering restrictions as well as the lack of time to plan these events if restrictions are lifted, led to the decision to cancel."

The tribe said it will miss gathering with everyone on the Uyxat Powwow Grounds, located off Highway 22, near Fort Yamhill State Park, but putting the health and well-being of the tribal community and guests is of paramount importance.

"We look forward to seeing everyone in 2022," the message concluded.

The Marcellus Norwest event has honored the late tribal elder Marce Norwest.

The Contest Powwow featured three grand entries, vendors who sold Native American wares and a multitude of food options.

Still scheduled is the tribe's Memorial Day ceremony at the West Valley Veterans Memorial, according to the tribal newspaper, Smoke Signals. It will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, May 31.

There will be a 50-person limit of invitees, and the public may not attend the outdoor event. Social distancing will be mandatory. A traditional meal served prior to the ceremony at the Community Center will not be offered.

It will be replaced with the distribution of box lunches, starting at noon.

The ceremony was canceled last year.



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# Linfield

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policy. There has been no other antisemitism complaint filed with the university.”

“Linfield would be very happy – eager, even – to have a discussion with the Oregon Board of Rabbis,” Nelson said. “Their call is, by their own acknowledgment, based only on press accounts. The university would welcome a full and deep conversation about all the issues and concerns they raise, where the facts could be discussed as well as larger issues of campus climate.”

The News-Register sent Linfield a list of 20 questions and allegations to reply to on Tuesday and offered Davis a phone interview on Wednesday. Linfield did not specifically answer most of the questions, and replied with a statement and pointed to statements it issued last summer amid calls for Baca to resign.

Pollack-Pelzner, an English professor and the faculty trustee on the board, said he spoke up in a recent Twitter thread because he wants a university environment where everyone feels safe and will not face retaliation when reporting sexual misconduct or other abuses of power. He has also called for Davis and Baca to resign.

“I understand that people in positions of power often become defensive when they’re called out for abusing it. But I think it’s really important to be clear that people who report misconduct are not harming Linfield,” Pollack-Pelzner said Tuesday. “People who commit misconduct are harming Linfield. And people who learn about misconduct and fail to act against it are really harming Linfield.”

Pollack-Pelzner has served as the faculty trustee on the board since 2019, for which his role includes delivering a report at the board’s three yearly meetings. The board has 33 trustees and 14 emeritus trustees, according to a Linfield spokesperson.

In his time on the board, he has brought various allegations of sexual misconduct against board members to its attention and requested the board implement sexual harassment prevention training for trustees and make board social events occasions centered on common academic interests rather than off-campus events with alcohol, he said.

“People who commit misconduct are harming Linfield. And people who learn about misconduct and fail to act against it are really harming Linfield.”

— Daniel Pollack-Pelzner, Linfield professor

After the board didn’t implement those measures before its Feb. 2020 meeting, Pollack-Pelzner met with Baca, who Pollack-Pelzner said accused him of a secret agenda to grab power. Baca wrote in a July 2020 statement that since Feb. 2020, trustees have to undergo Title IX training.

Nelson told the Oregonian that Baca was unaware Pollack-Pelzner was Jewish and was concerned the professor was asking him to take “actions that an individual trustee does not have the authority to make.”

The stereotype of Jewish people as power-hungry is one of the most persistent antisemitic tropes, and Jews have often been depicted as the villains in art and literature since the Middle Ages, according to a post about antisemitic myths on the ADL’s site.

In May 2020, the faculty assembly passed a no-confidence



Protesters gathered last summer along Highway 99W to call for the removal of Linfield University Board of Trustees Chair David Baca. Rusty Rae/News-Register file photo

confidence vote in Baca 88-18, which the board rejected. It eventually led to a petition and student protest over the summer calling for Baca’s resignation.

Read more about the history of the sexual misconduct allegations in the accompanying story.

Contacted this week, several Linfield students described feeling betrayed by the university and said they don’t feel the board and president care about their safety.



Davis



Baca

Charlotte Abramson, a junior journalism major and the features editor of the Linfield Review, said their leadership does not inspire confidence and called on Baca to resign.

“The school has taken a side on sexual assault, and there are no sides on sexual assault,” Abramson said. “We are paying so much money, we should be able to trust the people in charge of our education and that they’re going to put our safety as a top priority and not the paycheck that’s filling their pocket.”

Dozens of people commented criticisms of the university on a March 31 Linfield Instagram post featuring cherry blossoms with the caption, “Spring has sprung.” “The flowers are so pretty!! You know what else is pretty?? Not covering up acts of sexual harassment and antisemitism,” one user wrote.

Beatrice DeGraw, a junior literature major and president of Linfield University Pride, called on Davis and Baca to resign.

“I’ve overwhelmingly had positive experiences with different staff and faculty,” DeGraw said. “It’s really hard to be a student at a university like Linfield especially when I am so close to graduating, and to not be able to trust my institution and to not feel proud of the institution that I’m at.”

Katie Martinez, a sophomore elementary education major and McMinnville local, sent an email to trustees imploring them to listen to students and professors and to not protect people in power.

“Linfield needs to do its homework and have some extraordinary accountability and transparency,” Martinez told the News-Register. “It affects all of McMinnville. It affects Yamhill County. McMinnville is a community, and Linfield is a part of that. If this culture permeates Linfield, it’ll permeate McMinnville.”

Pollack-Pelzner, in his recent Twitter thread and in an interview with the News-Register, described Davis allegedly commenting on the size of Jewish and Arab noses in 2018, implying Pollack-Pelzner would be disloyal to Linfield by including allegations of sexual misconduct in a trustee report, and telling board members in Feb. 2020 that following the teachings of Jesus Christ would prevent Linfield from being destroyed by internal disloyalty, he said. Pollack-Pelzner filed a complaint with human resources at Linfield in Feb. 2020 and with the Oregon Bureau of Labor and Industries this month, he said.

Davis denied these allegations in a response letter to the ADL and pointed to investigations into Pollack-Pelzner’s claims (Read the letter in its entirety at bit.ly/3afccyyv). An outside investigator found last summer that two of Pol-

lack-Pelzner’s nine claims were partially or fully substantiated and he “endured significant resistance” from Davis and other University leaders, according to a summary of the investigation. Some of the complaints couldn’t be substantiated because there were no witnesses or because witnesses had a different recollection than Pollack-Pelzner, the summary said.

The Oregonian reported Monday that Davis allegedly referenced the Holocaust to make a point in 2018, saying something to the effect of, “You don’t send Jews to the showers with soap,” according to two Linfield psychology professors who were present.

“I have never met or known anyone at Linfield who would be intentionally antisemitic, and feel heartsick about this accusation.”

— Myles Davis, Linfield president

Davis said in a statement he does not recall making the comment but said that if he did, he would have attributed it to one of his former business professors who used the imagery, in Davis’ words, “to drive home the moral dimension of organizational work.” He apologized for making the two professors uncomfortable and said, “I have never met or known anyone at Linfield who would be intentionally antisemitic, and feel heartsick about this accusation.”

The Oregon Board of Rabbis, comprised of 22 rabbis from all Jewish denominations, issued four requests: for Davis and Baca to step down; implementation of a process for investigating sexual harassment and guidelines against retaliation; training for the board on implicit bias, microaggressions and antisemitism; and reporting and transparency on these topics.

“Linfield University is one of Oregon’s most cherished institutions of higher education, and as such, should guarantee excellent safeguards for personal and academic freedom and dignity. We will continue to insist that no one, regardless of gender or religion or race, experience fear or intimidation, least of all in a hallowed learning environment,” the letter said.

The Pacific Northwest chapter of the Anti-Defamation League, a 108-year-old organization that combats antisemitism and other forms of hate, wrote a letter to the Board of Trustees last week asking the university to investigate the allegations of antisemitism and encouraging the board and other campus leadership to attend trainings on bias and antisemitism.

Miri Cyper, regional director of the Pacific Northwest ADL, wrote the letter after two Oregon Jewish community leaders raised concerns about antisemitism at Linfield. The ADL is not representing Pollack-Pelzner or serving as his attorney, and it is not in a position to verify his allegations, the letter said.

“Based on the alleged comments, it seems like there were a lot of antisemitic tropes and stereotypes that had been used, so we

## IN VIEWPOINTS

News-Register Publisher Job Bladine writes in his column about Linfield’s tumultuous recent years. See Page B3.

thought it was important to bring to light how these tropes become normalized and more common if they’re used a lot and desensitized over time,” Cyper told the News-Register Wednesday.

The ADL said last year that reported antisemitic hate crimes reached their highest level since it began tracking them in 1979, with over 2,100 incidents reported in 2019, according to its website.

Pollack-Pelzner said while he is troubled by the alleged antisemitism he described, his aim in speaking up is to make sure people at Linfield are not afraid to report sexual misconduct and other abuses of power.

“I’ve had faculty say to me that they think the president and board’s actions are unacceptable, but they’re afraid that it’s only their own families who will suffer if they speak up about it,” Pollack-Pelzner said.

The president proposes candidates for promotion and tenure, and the board approves or denies those requests, Pollack-Pelzner said.

Hannah Waterman, a senior biochemistry and math major who helped organize the protest calling for Baca’s resignation last summer, noted the power differential between trustees and students/professors. Waterman also said she thinks Davis and Baca should resign.

Reshmi Dutt-Ballerstadt, an English professor and the coordinator of the gender studies program, described a lack of transparency between the president and board and the rest of the campus community in an email to the News-Register. Nelson said he thinks Linfield is extremely transparent with deliberations and decision-making but said it was fair to ask if there were ways to improve campus communication.

Dutt-Ballerstadt called for Davis and Baca to resign, adding she worried about harm to students and Linfield’s reputation.

“Our community cannot even begin to heal until those that have injured our community are removed. Any rhetoric of ‘moving forward’ without serious accountability is irresponsible, ableist and damaging for those who have been harmed and the overall health of our institution,” Dutt-Ballerstadt said. “If he doesn’t step down then we will signal that those in power at Linfield can simply get away with anything.”

Pollack-Pelzner pointed to trauma researcher Jennifer Freyd’s work on institutional betrayal and institutional courage in describing what he thinks accountability should look like, saying Linfield should begin by apologizing and outlining steps it is taking to prevent sexual abuse.

Waterman, the senior, described a tension between her appreciation for Linfield students and professors and the frustrations she has with university leadership.

“It really isn’t the university, it’s the board and the administration. I love being a student at Linfield. My professors are amazing. I’ve never once had a terrible encounter with professors or other students,” Waterman said. “But having people who are leading the university who have this reputation for discrimination and retaliation is shameful.”

# A timeline of complaints and concerns

By DORA TOTOIAN  
Of the News-Register

In Nov. 2019, Pollack-Pelzner learned of a student and a professor who described being inappropriately touched by trustees, including Linfield University President Miles Davis, but did not want to file Title IX complaints, he said.

Instead, they asked Pollack-Pelzner if he could request the board to implement sexual harassment prevention training for trustees and make board social events occasions centered on students’, professors’ and trustees’ common academic interests rather than off-campus events with alcohol.

Pollack-Pelzner learned through a Dec. 2019 Oregonian article that the student trustee on the board had filed a complaint against now-former trustee David Jubb, who had previously been accused of sexual assault but allowed to stay on the board, according to the Oregonian. Pollack-Pelzner asked Davis, Board of Trustees chair David Baca and the college’s general counsel to implement the preventative measures before the board’s next meeting in Feb. 2020.

Jubb resigned from the board in June 2019 and is awaiting trial. He pleaded not guilty to one count of first-degree sexual abuse and seven counts of third-degree sexual abuse, according to the Oregonian.

When Davis asked faculty to host dinners for trustees in town for the February board meeting, on Valentine’s Day, Pollack-Pelzner again asked about the preventative measures he suggested.

“There’s a well intentioned desire to have communication between trustees and faculty and students. But after three consecutive meetings with complaints about sexual misconduct all involving alcohol and off-campus events, to have the president propose another off-campus event involving trustees and alcohol seemed to me to miss the point,” Pollack-Pelzner said.

Pollack-Pelzner said Baca soon accused him of an agenda to grab power. Linfield spokesman Scott Nelson said Baca didn’t know Pollack-Pelzner was Jewish and thought he was being asked to make decisions beyond his role as an individual trustee.

Davis then asked Pollack-Pelzner to withdraw his February trustee report describing allegations of sexual misconduct against board members, Pollack-Pelzner said. A summary of the investigation last summer looking at Pollack-Pelzner’s claims against Davis substantiated that Davis indicated the report would damage Linfield and “forcefully conveyed – while perhaps not using the actual word ‘disloyal’ – that Dr. Pollack-Pelzner was being disloyal to Linfield by disclosing the allegations in his report,” the report summary said.

In his May 2020 trustee report, Pollack-Pelzner

said 4 people on the Board of Trustees, or about 10% of the board, had been accused of sexual misconduct. Baca censored the allegations in the May report, according to a July 2020 article in the Linfield Review.

Baca said in a July 2020 statement that it was “malicious” to say four board members had been accused, and said that at the time, there were no pending allegations by any Linfield students against current trustees.

The board also issued Pollack-Pelzner an official censure and prevented him from attending executive sessions, he said. Nelson said his removal from executive sessions happened because he “broke confidentiality” of those sessions.

In his May 2020 faculty trustee report, Pollack-Pelzner expressed his concern over the elimination of the voting faculty and student trustee roles on the Board of Trustees. Nelson said the board is looking at “how we might actually increase student and faculty representation at board meetings and give them a chance to provide feedback on important issues, while getting away from voting members.”

In May 2020, the faculty assembly passed by 88-18 a no-confidence vote in Baca after an alumna said the university and Baca failed to intervene as promised after she reported that Jubb allegedly touched her and two other students in 2017, according to the Oregonian. The board later rejected the faculty’s no-confidence vote, the News-Register reported in July 2020.

In Nov. 2020, the Board of Trustees dissolved the faculty assembly and replaced it with a faculty senate model of governance, according to the Linfield Review. The model gives each of the university’s three schools an equal number of senators, but is overall a smaller governing body than the faculty assembly, the article said.

The faculty senate of the College of Arts and Sciences planned to meet on Thursday afternoon, after the News-Register’s deadline.

Over the summer, Linfield community members circulated a petition calling for Baca’s resignation and organized a protest on campus.

It also led to two investigations of a professor’s claims against Davis and trustee Norm Nixon, which were found to be “substantiated by a preponderance of the evidence” but did not violate Linfield’s anti-harassment and sexual harassment policy or its Title IX policy, according to summaries of the reports.

An investigation of Pollack-Pelzner’s claims of harassment and retaliation partially or completely substantiated two of the nine claims, but found the complaints did not meet the threshold for unlawful harassment or retaliation, according to a summary of the report.



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Three dogs perished in a rural two-alarm Amity house fire late Wednesday night. Four occupants safely escaped the blaze.

## Fire destroys rural Amity residence

The News-Register staff

A two-alarm fire destroyed a home and its contents in rural Amity late Wednesday night. Four occupants safely escaped, but three dogs perished.

The fire was reported about 10:30 p.m. at 9751 S.W. Lancefield Road, west

of town, according to Amity Fire District spokesperson Scott Law.

Amity and McMinnville Fire Department crews initially responded but the fire quickly advanced to a second alarm as the residence was engulfed when firefighters initially arrived.

The four occupants had

self-evacuated; one individual was evaluated at the scene for smoke inhalation.

Five residents have been displaced. They are staying with family in McMinnville and being assisted by the American Red Cross.

The Yamhill County Fire Investigation Team will investigate the cause, but the

blaze is not considered suspicious, according to Law.

A total of 34 firefighters responded with 14 pieces of equipment, from Amity, McMinnville and the Sheridan/Southwestern Polk/West Valley fire districts, in addition to the sheriff's office and an Oregon Department of Transportation crew.

## Cause determined in West Valley ambulance fire

By PAUL DAQUILANTE  
Of the News-Register

A catastrophic failure of the transmission that blew oil over engine parts, and ignited a fire was the cause of a late February blaze that destroyed a West Valley Fire District ambulance.

The Sheridan/Southwestern Polk/West Valley Fire District boards received the information at this month's Zoom meeting.

The unit was dispatched to a motor vehicle crash on Highway 22 at Sawtell Road, southwest of Willamina. The ambulance was

stationed at district headquarters on East Main Street, Willamina.

With the ambulance transporting an adult patient eastbound to Salem Hospital for treatment, the vehicle began experiencing mechanical issues.

The crew consisted of firefighter/paramedics McKenna Hoy, Ryan Lamberg and driver Jay Payne. They pulled over and requested another ambulance to continue the transport. A Dallas Fire & EMS unit arrived.

The patient was safely removed from the West

Valley ambulance and some equipment salvaged before the vehicle burst into flames. The patient arrived in Salem without further incident.

Southwestern Polk Board member Keith Moore said he came upon the scene and described it as a "trail of exploded transmission parts."

Willamina Board President Rick Mishler said, "We got lucky. No one got hurt."

The McMinnville Fire Department loaned the district a temporary replacement. The Idanha-Detroit

District has since donated an ambulance to West Valley because it no longer transports patients, according to Fire Chief Fred Hertel.

West Valley voters approved a five-year operating levy in May 2020. It will raise an estimated \$1.76 million, including about \$332,000 the first year and \$374,000 the final year.

A portion of that money is being used to purchase a new ambulance originally scheduled to arrive in June but won't be coming until August. COVID-19 has caused the delay.

## Classes

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possible."

Returning to full in-person classes is the plan for fall, if the Oregon Department of Education allows it, Superintendent Maryalice Russell said.

With hybrid starting, teachers have been preparing to lead both in-person and online classes simultaneously. They will use cameras in the classroom so remote students will see the same thing as those in the classroom.

McMinnville High School math teacher Sean Coste, for instance, said he is has multiple computer screens and a projection screen, so he can reach all his students. For each class he teaches, one group of students will be in the classroom with him one day, with the rest at home; the groups will switch on another day of the week.

Another Mac High teacher, Robin Pederson, said she plans to address the singers in the choir room while others watch from home; the next day of the class, the other group will be in the room while the first group watches.

Since the groups are made up of students in either the first or second half of the alphabet, she's not sure all the vocal parts will be represented. No matter the mixture, she said, in-person learning will allow students to hear harmonies and practice singing together in a way they can't do as well online.

Science teacher Jared Larson said he expects in-person classes to build and improve relationships between students and the staff. Even if classes don't go perfectly, he said, they will learn from what doesn't work, as well as what does.

"It's time to have hope that we can do this together and do it well," he told the school board Monday.

Mac High Principal Amy Fast said her staff is excited for the reopening, even if it's for one quarter. She and teachers said being in the building will help them prepare for a full return in the fall, as well as improve their learning experience this spring.

In addition to welcoming students into the building, Mac High also is planning end-of-year activities for seniors, including a drive-in movie "prom" on May 1. A graduation parade through town is planned June 11 and several small ceremonies will be scheduled, to maintain social distancing.

The senior events will help graduating students conclude their high school years with special memories, the superintendent said.

Many parents are happy hybrid is starting, too, including some of the 50 or so people who attended a "Back to the Classroom" rally in late February calling for schools to reopen. But some say it's not enough.

Tracie Lux, one of the mothers who organized the rally, said she's "not thrilled" that her ninth-grade son will

"That's not conducive to much learning, but something is better than nothing."

— Parent Tracie Lux on the 2 1/2 hours, two days a week classroom schedule

be in the classroom for only about 2 1/2 hours, two days a week.

"That's not conducive to much learning," she said, "but something is better than nothing."

Lux, a licensed clinical social worker, said she's seen first-hand the benefits of being in school and the repercussions from being socially isolated.

"Our kids have been sitting in front of screens for over a year. I'm concerned about them," she said.

If McMinnville doesn't open by fall for full-day, in-person learning, she said, she plans to enroll her son in another district that offers more classroom time. Other nearby districts already are doing so, she said, and hopes McMinnville follows suit.

She noted that her son, who has attended McMinnville schools since kindergarten, has been able to play football and basketball and now is starting track. He has enjoyed the interaction with other students.

"It's ironic," she said. "They've had more sports time than time being able to learn."

Again, she said, "we take what we can get."

Another set of parents wrote to the McMinnville School Board this week

## Hot, dry weather leads to burn ban

The News-Register staff

With hot, dry weather in the forecast, fire danger is expected to be especially high through the weekend, according to the National Weather Service and area fire departments.

Outdoor burning is banned throughout Yamhill County, according to the county fire chief.

Warming and cooking fires are allowed, but residents cannot burn yard debris or do any other burning. For more information about when and

if burning is allowed, call 503-472-3344.

The weather forecast calls for slowly warming temperatures, low humidity and breezy conditions Friday through Sunday. Temperatures are expected to reach the 80s over the weekend, unusual for April.

Despite the hot weather, local rivers and lakes remain too cold for swimming, safety experts said.

Sunny, warm days are in the forecast at least through Wednesday, April 21.

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## Sheridan council to meet in school gym

The News-Register staff

The Sheridan City Council will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, April 19, in the Sheridan High School gymnasium. The meeting was originally scheduled to be held in the cafeteria.

There will be a public hearing related to the possible formation of Fire District 22 (Sheridan

and Southwestern Polk).

That will be followed by the council voting to send a resolution to voters in November. Should the resolution pass in both Polk and Yamhill counties, the district will be formed.

There will be both bleacher and floor seating at the meeting. Social distancing will be observed.

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# Hope

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“What we see is incredibly high rates of positivity at Virginia Garcia,” Cruz said.

Virginia Garcia was founded in memory of a six-year-old girl who died when her Spanish-speaking parents were unable to understand the English-language medical care instructions they received for her. Today, Cruz said, although its primary constituency remains be Latino, it offers services in 62 languages.

The clinic is receiving vaccine doses from both the state and federal governments to reach high risk populations.

Cruz said the organization set a goal that “seemed ambitious and impossible,” of vaccinating 30,000 people by July 14, and so far has administered nearly 15,000.

“The teams are very, very excited,” she said.

Edgar Pizano, the front office supervisor at the Hillsboro clinic, said to reach that goal, the clinic closes for nearly all business except vaccine appointments every Tuesday and Thursday, and often administers 600 or more doses in a day.

“Throwing a vaccine party,” as he calls it, twice a week is hard, Pizano said, but hearing the responses is rewarding.

“People, they talk about it. ... people just say ‘it is wonderful; I didn’t have to wait long and was just in and out,’” Pizano told Bonamici.

People want the vaccine, staff told Bonamici, but they also want a chance to talk about it first; to ask why staff members chose to get vaccinated, what side effects they experienced, how long they lasted, how the staff feel about it all. Being able to share those first-hand experiences, they said, has been invaluable.

“It was so rewarding to know we were going to get the vaccine. For myself, I was coming to work every day and going back home not knowing if I was going to take it (the virus) home. I have two kids of my own, and I have my dad, who was very ill,” call center operator Karla Maravilla told Bonamici.

Staff are tired, and it was often frightening for them to come in to work, managers said.

“Our staff have put their fears aside and come to work when they really don’t want to be here; they would rather be at home and safe,” Pizano told Bonamici.

Maravilla added she feels like a dispenser of hope to patients calling in.

She said she’s answered numerous calls from people worried about their children returning to school and wondering where they can sign up to be vaccinated.

“I say, ‘It’s OK, we are offering the vaccine,’ and they say, ‘Oh, but my sister doesn’t go to Virginia Garcia,’ and I can say ‘It’s OK, your sister can get it here,’” she said.

She offers information about where they can go to learn more about the vaccine, what her own side effects were, and more.

Cruz said that “nearly 60% of patients being vaccinated” by Virginia Garcia “are Latinx and 79% are people of color,” highlighting the agency’s need to keep distributing vaccine as quickly as possible.

Outreach Coordinator Ignolia Duyck told Bonamici she spends much of her time arranging vaccination events for farm workers, meeting a need she expects will grow more urgent and time-consuming as seasonal migrant workers begin arriving in June.

Duyck is now calling farms, vineyards and nurseries throughout the area, and either scheduling a time when workers can visit a health center for vaccination, or arranging onsite vaccination clinics for places with 100 or more employees. In addition, she is working to reach communities from a variety of other cultures, to help them understand how and where to register for vaccinations.

“I love helping people,” Duyck told Bonamici. “Sometimes there are patients who don’t know how to write or read so we go through that with them ... we walk them through the place they have to sit down and just wait. They thought it was going to be something more hard ... we just hear people saying, just ‘thank you.’ We hear people saying ‘thank God they are here’; ‘thank God you are here.’”

# County will replace all planned J&J vaccine doses with Moderna

By NICOLE MONTESANO  
Of the News-Register

Health officials across Oregon and the country are making hasty plans to replace all Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine doses with Moderna or Pfizer, after learning Tuesday that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention are recommending a temporary halt to the Johnson & Johnson doses while it investigates a rare but serious possible side effect.

Newberg City Councilor Elise Yarnell Hollamon spoke about the issue to a weekly Elected Officials Roundtable hosted on Zoom by County Commissioner Casey Kulla. Yarnell Hollamon, clinic manager for Providence Newberg Hospital, serves on the COVID response team for the hospital and oversees the hospital’s drive-through vaccination clinics.

“Up until last Saturday, we were doing Moderna exclusively,” Yarnell Hollamon said, but on April 10, the hospital received 1,500 doses of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine that it administered at a vaccination clinic held at the A-dec facility in Newberg.

Providence holds weekly vaccine clinics hosted by A-dec; appointments are required.

Ironically, Yarnell Hollamon said, a manufacturing problem with the Johnson & Johnson doses that resulted in “a huge decrease in allocations last week” to the county may have helped, because it meant the hospital had already made

plans to replace the Johnson & Johnson doses with Moderna doses instead. Neither the Moderna nor the Pfizer vaccines have been associated with the clotting problem experienced by six recipients of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

County Health and Human Services Director Lindsey Manfrin was not available to speak on the Zoom meeting. She told the News-Register Thursday that the county will be using Moderna vaccine for all clinics where it had intended to use the Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

The Public Health Department issued a statement on Facebook, providing a link to the CDC statement, and saying all vaccine clinics would use Moderna doses, and also provided a link in its weekly newsletter.

Manfrin said her department has “messed to community members through our website, social media and phone bank to share information with individuals who may be concerned.”

The CDC announced it was recommending the pause on Tuesday this week, sending health officials across the county scrambling to re-organize their plans. The Oregon Health Authority announced Tuesday it would follow the recommendation and ask all providers in the state to stop using the Johnson & Johnson vaccine, until the CDC can provide further information.

CDC officials made the decision after learning six women had developed a rare

form of blood clots in combination with low platelets, within two weeks of receiving the Johnson & Johnson vaccine. One of the women died, and another is in critical condition, according to The New York Times. All were between the ages of 18 and 48. None of the reported cases were in Oregon, the OHA said.

The CDC noted that as of April 12, some 6.8 million people had received the Johnson & Johnson vaccine in the U.S. The OHA said that 85,148 doses have been administered in Oregon.

The blood clots are a rare and severe type that cannot be treated with the usual medication, the CDC said, but alternative medications are available.

The CDC statement said both it and the Food & Drug Administration will investigate the cases more thoroughly, and determine whether they were caused by the vaccine, and whether additional cases occurred.

It said the pause will also give the health care community time to plan how to manage any cases of the clotting disorder that might occur.

CDC said people who received the J&J vaccine who develop “severe headache, abdominal pain, leg pain, or shortness of breath within three weeks after vaccination should contact their health care provider.” Health care providers are asked to report adverse events to the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System at <https://vaers.hhs.gov/reportevent.html>.

The VAERS system allows anyone to fill out an online report to the CDC when they believe they have experienced an adverse reaction to a vaccine; staff evaluate the reports and determine whether they believe investigation is needed.

Johnson & Johnson also put out a statement, saying that “The safety and well-being of the people who use our products is our number one priority.”

It said, “In addition, we have been reviewing these cases with European health authorities. We have made the decision to proactively delay the rollout of our vaccine in Europe and pause vaccinations in all Janssen COVID-19 vaccine clinical trials while we update guidance for investigators and participants.”

COVID-19 cases have been increasing in Yamhill County, in Oregon and the nation over the past month. On April 19, everyone 16 and older will become eligible for vaccines, but for this week, the county expected to receive only 2,000 doses of vaccine, still far short of what it has been hoping for, in order to be able to accelerate its vaccination rates.

Yamhill County reported

15 new cases of COVID-19 on Thursday, bringing it to a total, to date, of 4,068 cases. There have been 74 deaths in the county.

The OHA’s weekly report, released on Wednesdays, shows last week was the third week in a row of surging daily cases, the OHA said, with more hospitalizations and deaths than the previous week.

It said there were 26% more new cases than the previous week, hospitalizations rose slightly, and there were 47 reported deaths; “the highest weekly total in five weeks.”

The OHA reported 816 new cases on Wednesday, and three deaths.

According to the OHA, 34,642 Yamhill County residents had received at least one dose of vaccine as of Wednesday. It lists the county population at 108,061.

An active outbreak was listed at the Sheridan prison, which has seen 84 cases since October 19; the most recent onset on March 31.

A school outbreak remains listed at Perrydale School outside Amity, which is over the Polk County line. Three students have been reported with COVID-19; the most recent on March 25.

## COVID

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coworkers is significantly older than her, and though they had all worn masks at work, she worried she’d already passed the virus on to her. Fortunately, her coworker tested negative, she said.

On Friday, her sister informed her Mota Garcia’s nephew was in the hospital after testing positive for the virus.

Mota Garcia said she has rheumatoid arthritis, which causes a person’s immune system to mistakenly attack its own body’s tissues, and she was significantly sicker than anybody else in her home, she said.

“People think, ‘I won’t get it’ or, ‘Not everybody can catch the virus,’ but that’s a lie,” she said.

She went to the hospital two times during her illness, though she never had to spend the night there, she said. She was desperate to go outside and would lean her head out the window for

fresh air, she said.

The nursery where she works paid her for 80 hours of work, but she normally works more in a two-week timeframe, and it was difficult to pay her bills, especially given that she sends part of her paycheck to relatives in Mexico, she said.

People from human resources at the nursery brought pizza to her family when they couldn’t leave the house, and Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center, where she received the COVID-19 vaccine, also brought them groceries, she said.

Her employer required

two negative COVID-19 tests before returning to work, Mota Garcia said; the more her illness dragged on, the less likely seemed the prospect of ever testing negative.

But eventually, that day arrived, and now Mota Garcia is diligent about reminding those around her to wear their masks and encourages everyone to get a COVID-19 vaccine.

“There are people who don’t want it. They’re afraid they’ll become zombies or go crazy,” she said. “The people who haven’t suffered (through COVID-19) say that.”

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SPORTS

# FROM THE GRIDIRON TO THE DIAMOND

## Spartans play league baseball mere days after finishing football season

By **LOGAN BRANDON**  
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SHERIDAN — Last Friday, Sheridan junior Gavin Anderson was slinging passes around Bill Chrisman Memorial Field, trying to defeat rival Willamina in the final game of the 2021 football season.

Two days ago, Anderson was the starting pitcher in the Spartans' season-opening baseball game against Kennedy. Because of his commitment to football, Anderson practiced only once with his baseball team before Wednesday's Tri-River Conference contest against the 2018 state runners-up Trojans.

Asked about the rapid turnaround from football to baseball, Anderson replied, "It was tough, but I felt like we dealt with the adversity pretty well. It's been a rough year for Sheridan, so it felt good to be out here, get a game in and shake the rust off."

Anderson termed his first start, "nerve-wracking," during which he pitched two-and-a-third innings and surrendered seven runs. He attacked the strike zone, forcing the Trojans to beat him swinging their bats.

While Anderson did have an opportunity to attend one additional practice before the Kennedy game, he had another priority Monday: earning his driver's license.

As such, Anderson played the Trojans with minimal preparation. Fellow football players like starting catcher Tucker Davis, centerfielder Walker McCallister and third baseman James

Hass appeared equally rusty. Of the Spartans 15 varsity baseball players, nine played football as recently as a week ago.

Playing a talented program like Kennedy proved a difficult matchup for Sheridan, lack of preparation notwithstanding. The Trojans prevailed in five innings, 16-0.

"We survived — it's all good," noted Anderson.

Third-year head coach Randy Rorrer admitted the lack of training camp and preseason proved problematic. He said the majority of his players were able to attend three practices before Wednesday's clash with Kennedy.

Last week, players decided to practice football, then attend evening baseball workouts with Rorrer. The split practices made organizing drills challenging, but the team was still able to improve fundamentals.

"I would work with our five non-football guys for a couple hours, then our seven football guys would show up later to take batting practice and field ground balls. We have kids who are willing to work, because they love to play and be around each other," said Rorrer.

Following the lopsided loss to the Trojans, the Spartan head coach quickly told his players, "You can't expect to be in mid-season form when you've had only a few practices."

Sheridan's players weren't disheartened by Wednesday's defeat. The team clearly enjoyed their time on the field. They cracked jokes in the dugout and played a light-hearted golf mini-game with assistant coach DJ Arthur after the contest.

"It's a blessing to be out here, masks or not. It's awesome to play with these guys," noted Anderson.

The Spartans are also competing in memory of a former teammate, Keegan Smith, who died earlier this year. Sheridan



placed his number-one jersey at second base during warmups. According to Anderson, the team still mourns Smith's unexpected death.

"We had a big loss this year with our brother, Keegan Smith. It's been tough. I hope his family is doing okay — we're thinking about them all the time," said Anderson.

Sheridan has exactly 30 days to fit in 14 games. At most, the Spartans will practice 16 more times before the conclusion of the season.

But that's okay with Coach Rorrer.

"My idea is we will play baseball this year. We will play, and not so much practice baseball. We're going to go out, have fun and try to improve while playing it," he explained.

Rorrer added, "It's instant baseball — just add water."



Top: Sheridan third baseman James Hass barehands the baseball on a grounder to the left side of the infield. Above: Spartan starting pitcher Gavin Anderson tosses a fastball for a strike against Kennedy.

*"It's instant baseball — just add water."*

Randy Rorrer, Sheridan head baseball coach on the team's strategy in a short season

## Tennis recap: Grizzly girls triumph over La Salle, Wilson; Mac boys drop two non-league matches

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McMinnville 7, La Salle 1; McMinnville 6, Wilson 2 (girls)

McMinnville's girls tennis team started its 2021 season with a pair of wins against La Salle Prep and Wilson in non-conference play.

During Tuesday's match, the doubles teams of Ainslie Ridgway/Mariah Arnold, Grace Lane/Ella Saltmarsh, Jackie Denley/Alex Armenta and Claire Larson/Emma Lane all prevailed for the Grizzlies. In singles, Elyse Patterson, Laney Hyder and Dolan DeChatelet earned victories.

Against Wilson, Arnold, Ridgway and DeChatelet all won their singles matches. In doubles, Grace Lane/Saltmarsh, Denley/Armenta and Larson/Molly Shannon beat their opponents.

Patterson narrowly lost in number-one singles, as did Lucy Angevine and Hyder in a competitive number-one doubles contest.

Mac girls play at Wilsonville today at 4 p.m.

La Salle 8, McMinnville 1; Wilson 6, McMinnville 3 (boys)

The Grizzlies dropped two non-league matches this week, losing 8-1 to La Salle Prep Tuesday, then falling 6-3 to Wilson in Wednesday's home contest.

"With each of our first two matches I have seen significant improvement in competitive maturity with this young varsity team," said Mac head coach Wesley Gabrielsen. "Our guys are taking some lumps against quality non-league opponents, and learning how to deal with defeat early in their

high school tennis careers.

"I am excited to see how our league season goes starting next week," he added.

Tommy Gabrielsen notched a pair of gritty victories at number-two singles against both La Salle and Wilson. He prevailed in his first match, 6-4, 6-7 (5), 6-3, before winning Wednesday's bout, 6-4, 7-6 (3).

Cody Pickar recorded a win in number-one singles against the Trojans, prevailing 6-2, 6-2.

Dom Rentsch and Graham Sommers overcame a 4-6 loss in the first set against Wilson's Tyler Dorrier and Lue Harrington to ultimately win 7-6 (5), 10-4.

Mac hosts Wilsonville today at 4 p.m.

## Mac softball crushes Century, 24-3

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HILLSBORO — Faith Lawson drove in a career-high seven runs, leading the McMinnville softball team to a 24-3 road victory over Century. Hitting in the ninth spot of the order, the senior collected a pair of base knocks, a two-run single and two-run homer, both in the second inning. Lawson also drove in run on an error in the first and collected her seventh RBI on a ground ball to short stop in the third.

The Grizzlies dominated offensively with 17 hits and three walks. Brynn McManus (3-3, two runs), Mya

Stigall (2-4, home run, three RBIs), Mackenzie Bekofsky (2-4, double, three RBIs), Kaydi Stevensn (2-2, two RBIs, three runs) and Lawson (2-4, seven RBIs, three runs) all collected multiple hits.

Bekofsky started in the circle. The freshman tossed two-and-two-thirds innings, giving up three runs, two earned, on three hits and three walks. She struck out five in her first career start.

Kayden Sullivan recorded the final out of the contest with a strikeout in the third inning. Mac hosts Roosevelt Tuesday night at 5.

### SPORTS ON TV

#### FRIDAY

**MLB Baseball**  
Houston at Seattle..... 7 p.m., ROOT

**NBA Basketball**  
L.A. Clippers at Philadelphia..... 4 p.m., ESPN  
Portland at San Antonio..... 5:30 p.m., NBCSNW  
New York at Dallas..... 6:30 p.m., ESPN

**Soccer**  
Minnesota at Seattle..... 6:30 p.m., FS1

**Golf**  
PGA, The Heritage, second round..... noon, GOLF

#### SATURDAY

**MLB Baseball**  
Chicago White Sox at Boston..... 1 p.m., FS1  
Minnesota at L.A. Angels..... 6 p.m., FS1  
Houston at Seattle..... 6 p.m., ROOT

**NBA Basketball**  
Utah at L.A. Lakers..... 1:30 p.m., ESPN  
Golden State at Boston..... 5:30 p.m., ABC

**Gymnastics**  
NCAA Championships..... 12:30 p.m., ABC

**Golf**  
PGA, The Heritage, third round..... noon, CBS

#### SUNDAY

**NBA Basketball**  
New Orleans at New York..... 10 a.m., ESPN  
Brooklyn at Miami..... 12:30 p.m., ESPN  
Portland at Charlotte..... 4 p.m., NBCSNW

**Soccer**  
MLS, L.A. Galaxy at Miami..... noon, ABC  
MLS, Philadelphia at Columbus..... 2:30 p.m., FS1  
MLS, Portland at Vancouver..... 7 p.m., ROOT

**MLB Baseball**  
Houston at Seattle..... 1 p.m., ROOT  
Atlanta at Chicago Cubs..... 4 p.m., ESPN

**Golf**  
PGA, The Heritage, final round..... noon, CBS

#### MONDAY

**MLB Baseball**  
L.A. Dodgers at Seattle..... 7 p.m., ROOT

**NBA Basketball**  
Golden State at Philadelphia..... 4:30 p.m., ESPN  
Utah at L.A. Lakers..... 7 p.m., ESPN



McMinnville's Ky Hoskinson slides in safe just ahead of the throw to steal a base against Sprague during Monday's non-league matchup.

## Grizzlies

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Though the Grizzlies registered seven hits and four walks against the Tigers, the top of the lineup isn't solidified, Peterson noted.

"I'm confident in the top half of our lineup," he added.

"But we're still figuring some things out — it's been awhile since a lot of these guys have faced live pitching."

Pitching depth, obvious in Guinn's performance against Newberg, can be a weapon. Hoskinson, Guinn and Henderson present a solid three-starter rotation, while Weeks, Bryan Blank and

Dryden are serviceable bullpen arms.

"Our rotation can be very competitive," predicted Peterson.

Mac's head coach counts on Hoskinson stepping up as a leader in the clubhouse. The talented junior can anchor the rotation and drive in runs from the third spot in the order, but Peterson cred-

its his work ethic for setting an example for the youthful varsity squad.

Overall, the Grizzlies simply are eager to take the field again.

"We're looking forward to playing baseball. It's great to have another opportunity to play the sport we love," said Peterson.

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SPORTS

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Left: Linfield head softball coach Jackson Vaughan recorded his 700th career win with the Wildcats during last weekend's four-game series against Lewis & Clark. The number-one ranked 'Cats fell in the first game of the series on Saturday, 6-0, but turned the tables on the Pioneers in the second game with an 8-0 win, giving Vaughan the milestone victory. Linfield won both ends of the Sunday doubleheader. Vaughan has been the head coach since 2002 and was the assistant coach for four years prior. His record currently stands at 702-174-2, a winning percentage of .800. His teams won Division III national titles in 2007 and 2011.

Tigers

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team.

Finally, the Tigers broke through with a massive offensive explosion in the sixth. Maddy Tuning ignited the attack with a leadoff double. Fluke issued free passes to Bryason Conway and Hailee Stephenson, before Kya Ellis laid down an absolutely perfect squeeze bunt.

Roxy Brown cleared the bases with a two-run double, then Halle Kerr capped the inning with an RBI single up the middle.

Dayton rallied for a run in the seventh off Ingram, who relieved Slater in the circle during the fifth frame.

A walk by Anna Baumholtz and infield single by Jori Hill put runners on first and second for Fluke. The senior pitcher laced a 2-2 offering to rightfield, scoring Baumholtz.

DeSmet flew out on the next pitch.

With only one out left, Kerr expected Dayton to

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Dave Fluke, Dayton head softball coach

attempt a dramatic double steal with runners on the corners.

"I called timeout to ask (John) if I should throw it," said the Tiger catcher.

As Kerr predicted, the Pirates were in motion on the next pitch. She fired a strong throw to second base and caught the runner for the final out.

"It felt pretty good," noted Kerr. "I knew she was going to go with a runner on third, so we got it done."

Kerr's heroics highlighted her critical role with Y-C. During the offseason, Coach Kuehnel wasn't sure he'd have a varsity catcher this year. Kerr, who stepped away from softball in eighth grade,

agreed to join the program.

And in her first varsity game, she exited the field in victory.

Slater and Ingram combined for 12 strikeouts in seven innings. Slater said she "loved every moment" of her start.

For the Pirates, Fluke tossed a complete game. She struck out five and walked two.

Dayton head coach Dave Fluke called the season opener "an emotional experience for the girls." After losing out on the 2020 season, the first-year head coach feels excited to witness his players compete in competitive softball.

"It was fun to watch them smile and play the sport again. Y-C is a great bunch and they're very competitive - our girls love that about them," noted Fluke.

Y-C and Dayton play Game Two of a three-match series today at 3 p.m. in Yamhill.



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Yamhill-Carlton shortstop Alyse Hurley drops down a bunt for a hit during Tuesday's league game against Dayton.

Bulldogs, Spartans earn all-league selections

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Several local high school athletes were recognized for their play during the OSAA's Fall Sports Season, which began in early March. Despite the condensed schedule, conferences still awarded athletes with all-league considerations.

Willamina's cross country team, which won a district championship for the first time in school history, earned three all-state honors. Kaleb Floyd and Michael Fox both secured third team, all-state, while Josh Andersen was honorable mention.


The Bulldog volleyball team also snagged all-league commendations. Sophomore

Hallee Hughes placed on the first team, Kallie Schoenbacher and Madison Diehl both claimed second team status and Amelia Mooney was an honorable mention.

Willamina finished third in the Coastal Range League after recording a 4-2 record in conference action.

Sheridan's volleyball team registered four all-league selections. Sophomore setter Haley Ayala earned first-team honors. Senior middle blocker Emily Rech was a second-team choice, sophomore middle blocker Natalie Nielsen was third team and senior outside hitter Madysen Mehr was an honorable mention.

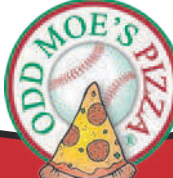
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**DANNY ANGUIANO**


**JUNIOR MIDFIELDER DAYTON HIGH SCHOOL**

Danny scored a pair of goals during last week's 3A Culminating Week Tournament Finals. The junior midfielder was tireless in his defensive effort and in the Pirates' ball control.




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**MARISELA MENDOZA**  
GIRLS' SOCCER  
Junior | Coach: Anna Heuberger  
Parents: Alvaro & Haydee

Marisela recorded a hat trick to carry the Grizzlies to a 4-1 win over David Douglas. Mari's leadership on the field this season has been outstanding! Great job Marisela!





**ELLA SALTMARSH**  
VOLLEYBALL  
SENIOR | Coach: Ben Patterson  
Parents: Matt & Sheila

Ella posted a career year and played a pivotal role in our undefeated season. Her ability to consistently put balls away on attacks as well as her timely blocking provided a spark in crucial moments throughout the year. Additionally, Ella plays the game with an inner fire that helped set the tone for our team and fueled the attitude with which we took the court. Ella will be greatly missed next year but we are so proud of her four years as a Grizzly.









**COOPER ERICKSON**  
FOOTBALL  
Senior | Coach: Ryan McIrvin  
Parents: Brian & Kendra

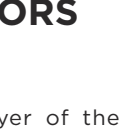
Cooper has been a consistently solid performer on the defensive the past two years. Cooper stepped in this week as a starter on the offensive line. His play vs Forest Grove last Friday played a big role in the Grizzlies 30-0 season ending victory. Cooper is a hard worker and one of the Grizzlies most consistent players. Great job Cooper and Go Grizzlies!!



**SOCCKER SENIORS**  
BOYS' SOCCER  
Coach: Jose Milan

MHS boys' soccer player of the week goes to the Senior Class of 2021. After Monday night's intense battle that ended in a 2-2 draw with the visiting Beaverton Beavers the Grizzlies showed up Wednesday night motivated and determined to end the season on a high note in their last game at home vs the Canby High School Cougars. The Grizzlies



defeated the Cougars 4-1 in a game where the seniors had a dominating presence. The charge was led by #7 Grayson Ryan (M/12) who had 1 goal, 4 shots on goal and 4 crosses, #12 Jorge Amador (F/12) had 1 goal, 3 shots on goal and 2 crosses, #5 Salvador Fabela (D/12) had 1 goal, 3 tackles won and 6 passes intercepted, #14 Emanuel Arenas (F/12) 8 shots, 6 shots on goal and 10 key passes, #3 Moises Ramirez (D/12) had 8 tackles won, 6 block shots, 6 passes intercepted, #2 Julian Grimaldo (M/12) had 1 tackle won, 4 passes intercepted and two shots, #20 Dominique Rentsch (F/12) had 2 shots and 2 key passes, #1 Landon Alvarez (GK/12) had two saves and two block shots. Although #6 Andy Cartagena (M/12) was not available for the game against the cougars he has played a vital role in the growth of the program and his teammates. Thank you Senior Class of 2021 for all of your efforts throughout these years!



**KYLE SPENCER**  
BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY  
Sophomore | Coach: Joshua Hanna  
Parents: John & Robin

Kyle placed first at the Pacific Conference championships on Friday, April 9, 2021. He crossed the finish line in a time of 16:23.90. Kyle ran a smart race, moving up slowly through the runners in the first thousand meters, before eventually breaking off on his own. Kellen Reed, another grizzly placed second in conference. Thanks in large measure to Kyle and Kellen's efforts McMinnville took second in the conference. Excellent work Kyle!





**GABRIELLA KING**  
GIRLS' CROSS COUNTRY  
Senior | Coach: Joshua Hanna  
Parents: Anthony & Kara

Gabriella led the grizzlies at the Pacific conference championships on Friday, and was the first athlete from McMinnville to cross the finish line. Because Ella finished 14th overall she made the all-conference team. Ella did a good job of keeping herself relaxed, while still moving fast throughout the race. Good work Ella!








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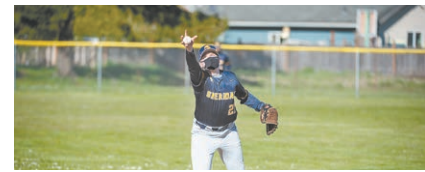
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**YC Booster Club ATHLETE OF THE WEEK**

<p><b>SPENCER HORNE</b></p> <p>Year: Sophomore Sport: Soccer Coach: Briggs</p>  <p>Spencer is a central defender for YC, thanks to his speed and athleticism. Spencer volunteered to step in as goal keeper against Newport and recorded seven saves. His solid play instilled confidence in the team and kept us in the game till the end. Great Job, Spencer!</p>	<p><b>WYATT HURLEY</b></p> <p>Year: Junior Sport: Baseball Coach: Mossholder</p>  <p>Wyatt was dominant on the mound vs. Dayton in a 14-4 victory on Tuesday. He was the starting pitcher for the Tigers and did not allow a hit and struck out 11 in his 4 2/3 innings. He also finished the game with 3 RBI's for the team. Well Done, Wyatt!</p>	<p><b>KIERRA KNAPP</b></p> <p>Year: Senior Sport: Volleyball Coach: Takashima</p>  <p>Kierra has earned 1st Team All League honors from this season. She totaled 117 digs on the season! She has grown as a leader in the last 4 years with her positivity and competitive mentality. Kierra, you will be greatly missed next year. Thank you for all you have done!</p>	<p><b>MIKEL RIVAS</b></p> <p>Year: Senior Sport: Football Coach: Mossholder</p>  <p>Mikel had an astounding 205 yards receiving on five catches for the Tigers in the victory over Dayton on Friday. He also had 50 rushing yards and two touchdowns. Mikel's athleticism and speed were superb on offense and defense. Way to finish strong Mikel!</p>
<p><b>YC SOFTBALL TEAM</b></p>  <p>The YC softball team opened the season with a 10-7 win over Dayton. It was an all out team effort. All of the players stepped up for the win with outs, runs and hits at critical points in the game. This week our AOTW is our team. Keep it up!</p>			





From the gridiron to the diamond  
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Yamhill-Carlton sophomore Alyse Hurley slides into second for a stolen base during the third inning of Tuesday's Class 3A PacWest Conference matchup against Dayton. Hurley later scored on Maddy Tuning's RBI grounder to shortstop.

## Tigers topple Pirates in season opener

*Brown's two-run double, Kerr's strong throw lift Y-C to 10-7 win*

By LOGAN BRANDON  
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A single player remains from Yamhill-Carlton's quarterfinal run in the 2018 Class 3A state softball tournament: Kati Slater. She was a freshman on a team which won 14 games, placed second in the PacWest Conference and eventually reached the second round of the state playoffs.

Slater started at shortstop when Y-C traveled to Yamhill County rival Dayton for the quarterfinal matchup. The Pirates won the postseason clash, 10-1, and Slater has never forgotten the feeling of falling two games short of the state championship.

Tuesday, the Tigers and Pirates faced each other for the first time since the 2018 playoffs. In their recent bout, Y-C beat Dayton, 10-7. It was the Tigers' first victory in the series since the 2015 season.

The three-run triumph felt like vindication for 2018, Slater said.

She explained, "We've

wanted this one since the end of my freshman season. This was the game! We had them first game of the season on their field. We were prepared for this one, and we finished it.

"It's always a goal to beat Dayton," added Slater.

Y-C head coach John Kuehnel wasn't surprised by the extremely competitive nature of the matchup. He felt relieved Slater was able to win a "revenge game" against the Pirates after she experienced the postgame loss two years ago.

"It's just great to beat them for the first time in six years," he said. "I think we're pretty compatible, pretty close in terms of talent this year."

Kuehnel's words ring true; the recent clash featured six lead changes and three ties. Neither side could seize total momentum in the initial four innings.

Y-C struck the opening blow in the first frame. Slater led off and reached safely on an infield error. She stole second and third, then crossed home plate on Briley Ingram's groundout to

second base.

But the Pirates answered the challenge in the bottom half.

With two outs, Slater struck out her Dayton counterpart, Maddie Fluke, but a dropped third strike allowed Fluke to race safely to first base. Jodi deSmet and Brin Shilhanek followed with back-to-back singles, scoring pinch runner Taylor Douthit. Dayton took a 2-1 lead when Jaeden Oliveira's grounder to shortstop was mishandled, allowing deSmet to score.

Neither side mustered any offense in the second inning; both opposing pitchers combined for five strikeouts.

The Tigers knotted the score in the third. Slater again reached first base to lead off, this time on a single to right field. After swiping second base, she tied the game on Ingram's RBI groundout.

Y-C and Dayton combined for seven runs in the middle innings, leading to a 6-5 advantage for the home



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Yamhill-Carlton starting pitcher Kati Slater winds up to deliver an offering during Tuesday's game against Dayton. Slater pitched four innings, allowed four runs and struck out seven.

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## Finding their swings: Grizzlies fall to Sprague, Newberg



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McMinnville's Parker Guinn takes a big cut at a pitch in the zone, sending the ball into left field for a hit during Monday's 11-4 loss to Sprague. Guinn also blasted a solo home run during Wednesday's 5-4 defeat at Newberg.

By LOGAN BRANDON  
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"We gave ourselves a chance to win."

So McMinnville baseball coach Todd Peterson said following the Grizzlies' narrow 5-4 Wednesday loss to Newberg. Mac also appeared competitive in Monday's season opener against Sprague, but eventually dropped an 11-4 result to the Olympians.

Following a quick switch from football to Monday's opening game, Peterson and the Grizzly coaching staff have very little time to prepare their young team for the five-week abbreviated baseball schedule.

"The short turnaround presented some challenges," said Peterson. "We got thrown into the fire on Monday."

With only four seniors on the roster, Mac's focus on youth development was already evident this week.

Sophomore catcher and right-handed pitcher Parker Guinn led the Grizzlies against their cross-county rivals. Guinn pitched a complete game, striking out 12 and allowing just a pair of earned runs. He also launched a solo home run in the top of the third inning, handing the Grizzlies a 3-0 lead.

"Parker was unbelievable against

Newberg," noted Peterson. "He pitched really well for us, going all six innings when our scheduled starter couldn't pitch. He also hit an absolute bomb for a home run."

Standout performances from younger players like Guinn, Ky Hoskinson, Braden Woods, Max Saltmarsh and Kade Weeks remain crucial to the team's overall goals, Peterson said.

"We may be young and inexperienced, but we have a lot of good pieces," he explained.

Following Monday's loss, during which the Grizzlies surrendered eight runs the final three innings, Peterson noticed a mental change among his players. Mac's youthful group simply didn't appreciate losing in such a way, he said.

"I think we had a good mentality after dropping that Monday game. Our guys were a little nervous going into it, but I like the resolve we showed," observed Peterson.

Mac was limited to six hits against the Olympians, including a 2-3 effort by Hoskinson and a two-RBI outing for Casey Henderson. The Grizzlies displayed patience at the plate, recording eight total walks, two by Jalen Dryden and three by Woods.

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# BEHIND THE MASK

*For Asians in America, the threat — and the fear — is real*



## GUEST WRITER

*Peter Chee is a real estate and portrait photographer making his home in Portland. An Oregon State University grad who grew up in Hawaii, he has a background in print media that led him to a stint as a staff reporter for the News-Register earlier in his career. He is passionate about social justice and gender and racial equity. He believes not in sensationalism, but speaking truth to power, even if it's uncomfortable. During the pandemic, he's been enjoying home cooking, food photography and loose leaf tea.*

**O**n the outside, I presented myself like I would any other day for work. I socially distanced. I made small talk about the weather. I maintained the facade that everything was “OK.”

After my last appointment, I returned to my car and removed the masks I wear — the physical mask first, then the emotional ones. Uncovered and alone in my car, I let my frayed edges — my emotional exhaustion and grief — show.

It was the afternoon of March 17, amid a week when anti-Asian hate seemed to reach a crescendo.

Just that morning, a white man in San Francisco punched a 75-year-old Asian grandmother in the street, blackening both her eyes — this after he'd punched an 83-year-old Asian man a short distance away. The day prior, a white male in Atlanta killed six Asian women as part of an eight-person killing spread among three Asian-owned spas.

There've been almost daily reports in the weeks since. We've experienced a wave of attacks. Assaults. Slurs. Spitting.

And it didn't just start. According to a recent report on National Public Radio, nearly 3,800 reports of anti-Asian discrimination have been documented since March of last year in the U.S.

As an American of Chinese descent, my heart is heavy. I hope in sharing my words here I can serve as a touchstone to humanize myself and those who resemble me.

This is real. This is happening. Please do not look away.

Like many, I am fatigued from life constrained by the pandemic. But I also feel I have a target painted on my back. So I am on alert every time I set foot outside the house.

Day to day, I work hard to manage my fears and care for my well-being. I exercise. I meditate. I read. I have a kick-ass therapist. And I'm part of a men's emotional support group which meets virtually.

Still, I feel helpless, because all the push-ups, self-help and “Yoga with Adriene” on YouTube can't stop a sucker punch, not to mention a knife, a bullet or a truck.

Asians in America have been acutely feeling the pain of racist attacks and scapegoating since the start of the pandemic.

Dog whistle phrases like “Kung Flu” and “Chinese Virus” were given a national platform. Meanwhile, the words of Asian-Americans trying to raise the alarm were lost amid media coverage of larger racial justice protests, along with COVID and the presidential election.

The Atlanta murders proved a tragic inflection point. Yet even so, many Americans still minimize or deny the magnitude of anti-Asian sentiment.

So much denialism centers around the belief that compared to “everything else,” this issue is small. But hate always starts small. It starts with stereotypes, objectification and name-calling, then escalates. Read the headlines or open a history book to see where things go.

I've been told on the street, “Go back to China!” But I was born in America, as were my parents. English is the only spoken language I know.

What does racism feel like? For me, racism tears at my identity as an American. It sets me adrift, when by all accounts I am worthy and deserving to stand proudly.

After being arrested, the Atlanta gunman spoke of his struggle with sex addiction, telling police he targeted the Asian women to remove “temptation.” When asked by police if race motivated him, he said no. And I've watched as authorities continue to tip-toe around the issue of race ever since.

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## GUEST COMMENTARY

# Liberals overreacting to Georgia election reform

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As I received my edition of the April 9 News-Register, I was totally blindsided — although, truth to tell, not entirely surprised — by the reprinting of the op-ed hatchet jobs perpetrated by Dr. Wim Laven and CNN.

Georgia's recently enacted election reform law has sent the left into a feeding frenzy of spurious charges of “racism,” “suppression” and, their most recent favorite, “Jim Crow.”

Even President Biden joined in the knee-jerk reaction calling for boycotts. The most egregious act was committed by Major League Baseball, when it relocated its all-star game from Atlanta to Denver.

Of course, no one bothered to actually read the law. They just jumped on the bandwagon of boycott, boycott, boycott.

Let's take a look at this so-called throwback to the Jim Crow-era. Let's do the intellectually honest thing and see what the law actu-

ally does, not what Dr. Laven and CNN dishonestly charge.

Charge one: Voters standing in line to vote in person are prohibited from receiving water. Dr. Laven, ever the drama queen, is really s-o-o-o-o-o wrong here.

Fact: Voters are allowed to bring water and/or food while waiting in line to vote. If additional water is required, every polling station will have self-serve water available.

Pollworkers are allowed to distribute water to those requesting it. What is not allowed is the distribution of food, water or any other items by volunteers or other outside parties.

Charge two: The law suppresses voting by reducing hours, dropbox locations and absentee voting.

Fact: In-person voting hours are expanded from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Anyone still in line at 7 p.m. will be allowed to cast a ballot.

Dropboxes are being consolidated in Metropolitan Atlanta from

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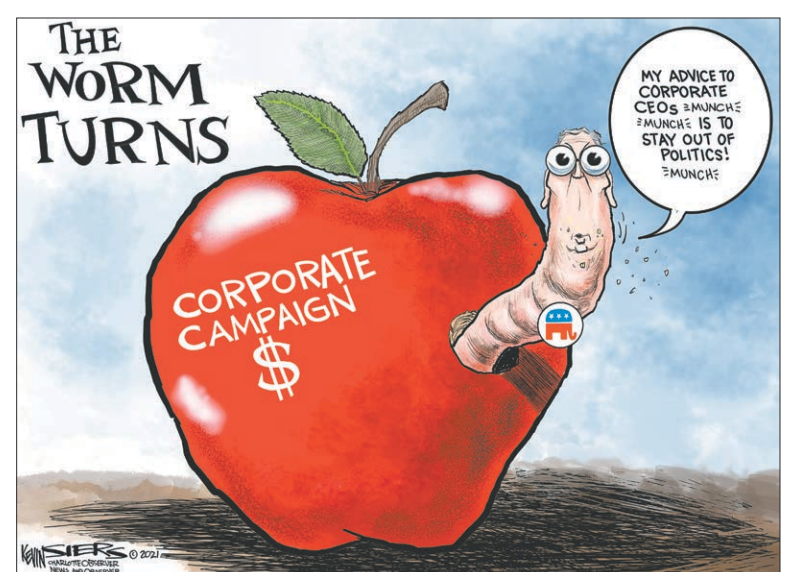
# Baseball's decision to drop Atlanta shows potential of corporate action

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Major League Baseball knows how to exert leverage over local lawmakers.

More than 100 companies, including Atlanta-based Delta Air Lines and Coca-Cola, issued public denunciations of Georgia's restrictive new voting law. While some executives are discussing doing more — such as halting donations or delaying investments — Major League Baseball is among the few to date venturing beyond mere words. It quickly decided to move its 2021 All-Star Game from Atlanta to Denver.

Both baseball's decision to relocate the July 13 game and the many corporate press releases issued about the voting law drew a swift rebuke from Republicans, who vowed boycotts of baseball and the products these companies produce. The Senate minority leader even threatened retribution if companies didn't stay out of politics — with an exception



for campaign contributions, of course.

As a corporate governance scholar, I have studied how corporations use their economic power to get what they want from lawmakers. I believe Republicans'

angry reaction signals just how deeply concerned they are that other companies might follow baseball's lead.

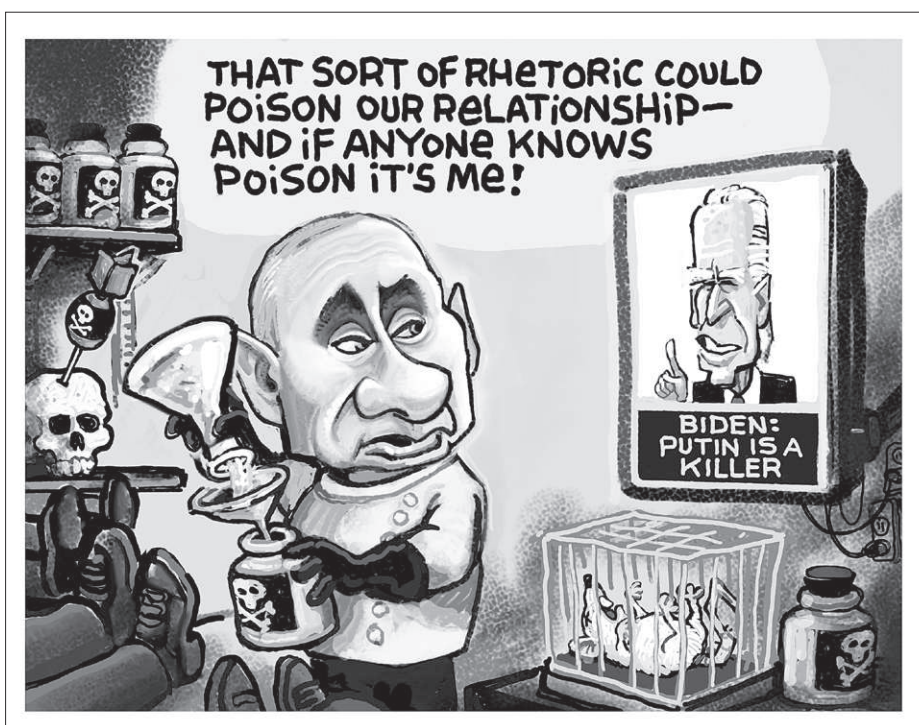
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EDITORIAL

## New challenges hamper campaign against COVID

COVID-19 is a fearsome menace to our way of life, and has lingered far, far longer than any of us might have imagined when it began early last year.

Along the way, it has killed more than half a million Americans, infected more than 30 million others, and crippled normal social, economic, educational and athletic interaction for the rest. And every nation on the planet is suffering along with us.

The end appears to be in sight, thanks to rapid development and deployment of highly effective vaccines. However, the view remains too distant and indistinct to fully embrace just yet, and we suffered a potentially devastating blow earlier this week when officials at least temporarily halted administration of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

Johnson & Johnson is the third of three to come U.S., joining Pfizer and Moderna. The removal stems from a rare form of clotting experienced by a subset of the 6.8 million American recipients — six women in the 18-48 age range, one of whom died.

It accounts for about only 80,000 of the almost 2.5 million doses of vaccine administered in Oregon to date, and a similar percentage nationally. However, its potential value is very high in the state and nation, and even higher for the world as a whole.

Johnson & Johnson holds several distinct advantages over its Pfizer and

Moderna rivals: It depends on older and better established technology. It requires only one dose. It is substantially cheaper. And it can withstand to three months of transport and storage under nothing more than routine, universally available refrigeration.

These advantages make it ideally suited for people who aren't well rooted — such as farmworkers and street people — or live in remote, hard-to-reach locales — say, Alaska's expansive wilderness. It has also proven a much better sell to the hesitant portion of the population, thought to run as high as 30%. You only have to reach them once, you can do it cheaply and you don't need any sort of high-tech refrigeration capability.

Unfortunately, that segment of the population is very much larger in many parts of the world than in the U.S. And because COVID respects no artificial boundaries, vaccination constraints around the globe threaten us as much indirectly as they menace our distant brethren directly.

More than half of all adult residents have been at least partially vaccinated in many states, and both Oregon and the U.S. as a whole are nearing that mark. While loss of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine will hinder efforts to reach the roving, remote and reluctant, it shouldn't greatly impede the overall effort.

But consider this: In many African nations, including Ivory Coast, Nigeria,

Uganda and Zimbabwe, less than one-half of 1% of the population has been even partially vaccinated at this juncture. And single-dose, cost and refrigeration issues loom large in all Third World nations, not just those on the African continent.

We are also facing another serious new challenge — a soaring infection rate among the under-18 set. That is causing a serious COVID resurgence in some parts of the U.S. just as we are moving to fully resume in-person public education.

Clearly, we are going to need to begin vaccinating our children if we are going to truly vanquish this scourge. However, the lowest age currently authorized for vaccination is 16, and that's only for Pfizer.

All three major U.S. providers are currently conducting clinical trials with children. It appears, however, that approvals probably won't be forthcoming until fall, even if all goes well.

The combination of the Johnson & Johnson setback, rising youth infection rates and continued vaccine reluctance among a disturbingly large numbers of adults makes one thing abundantly clear: We can't let our guard down yet. We may be able to see the finish line looming in the distance, but we aren't there yet and don't know when we will be.

Yes, we're as tired of this as you are. But for now, vigilance must remain our mutual watchword.

READERS FORUM

### Threat to democracy

I was happy to hear that Major League Baseball is pulling its All-Star Game out of Georgia in retaliation for that state's new and very restrictive voting law. When laws like this are instituted, reaction should be swift.

This law places new restrictions on voting by mail and establishes greater legislative control over how elections are run. It seems intended to lower voter participation.

This situation could, I believe, pose a threat to democracy. The decision as to how elections are to be conducted should not be made by one political party or some other special interest group.

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Yamhill

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GUEST COMMENTARY

## Risks from coronavirus far greater than any danger from vaccination

By DR. SCOTT GIBSON

Earlier this week, the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention advised local and state governments to put administration of the Johnson and Johnson COVID-19 vaccine on hold until concerns about a rare blood-clotting side effect have been resolved. After reviewing the available information, I would like to share a medical perspective on the issue.

To date, about 6.8 million people have received the J&J vaccine in the United States. It is the only one-shot vaccine available here.

Of those, six women between the ages of 18 and 48 have developed cerebral sinus venous thrombosis, known as CSVT. It causes a potentially fatal blood clot to form in the veins that drain blood from the brain and send it on to the heart. And it did prove fatal for one of the six.

CSVT is not an unknown condition. It occurs in roughly three to five people per one million every year.

That means that every three months, about one person out of every million would form a clot in the cerebral sinus system. The J&J vaccine, however, was approved on February 28 and not distributed for use until early March, just over a month ago.

In one month, we would expect one cerebral sinus blood clot for every three million people. The rate here is more than what that.

What is perhaps of more interest is that all of the clots were associated with a drop in the

number of platelets in the blood — tiny cell fragments that help us form a clot at the earliest stages of a cut or other bleeding injury.

Because of the higher than expected CSVT rate, and the associated drop in platelets, the CDC wisely decided to declare a pause so the matter could be investigated further.

This is similar to the action taken in Europe in March over similar concerns about the Astra Zeneca vaccine. It was triggered by a March 15 report from the Paul-Ehrlich Institute in Germany identifying seven cases of CSVT out of 1.6 million people vaccinated.

Both the Astra Zeneca and J&J vaccines employ chimpanzee adenoviruses, harmless to humans, to get the blueprint for the coronavirus spike protein into our cells. It is unknown if this commonality is related to the increased incidence of clots.

Researchers believe the clots are being caused by the immune system of affected patients being triggered to form antibodies against the platelets in their blood. This makes the platelets clump together and form clots in the blood vessels.

I have seen this rare form of clotting before. When I was in medical school, a man was admitted to our hospital with a blood clot in his leg.

He was given heparin, the standard anti-coagulant, to prevent further clotting. But within days, he developed clots throughout his body. His platelet count plummeted in tandem, as

platelet clots formed in his arteries and veins.

He died shortly thereafter. His was one of the earliest recognized cases of heparin-induced thrombocytopenia.

The condition seen with the vaccine patients appears similar. Some researchers are calling it vaccine-induced thrombotic thrombocytopenia, or VITT.

Why it has been seen in the Astra Zeneca and J&J vaccines so far is unknown. It may still be possible that this could occur with the Moderna and Pfizer vaccines, but the absence of such reports so far is certainly reassuring.

It may also be that the risk of this reaction is limited to younger people.

We know that auto-immune disorders generally appear at younger ages, unlike many diseases that become more common as we get older, like cancers and heart disease. The immune system of younger people may be more prone to being triggered to create this exceedingly rare reaction. Accordingly, we might see recommendations that the J&J vaccine be used only in the older population.

The fact that all of the vaccine-associated CVST cases in the U.S. have arisen among women is also of interest.

Curiously, blood clots in the cerebral sinus *not* associated with vaccines occur in women 75 percent of the time, and usually in 20- to 40-year-olds. That has been suggested, but not proven, to stem from use of birth control pills by women of childbearing

age.

Whether some common cause makes women more prone to vaccine-associated clots is not clear. We are only at the leading edge of learning about this condition.

It is also vital to note that COVID-19 itself triggers clotting at an astonishingly high rate. More than 30% of critically ill COVID patients, and 58% of patients succumbing to COVID, suffer from clotting.

An emergency department study of patients admitted with COVID pneumonia shows 18% of those undergoing chest CT scans suffered from clotting in the lungs. I cannot think of another infectious disease that promotes blood clots at such an extraordinary rate.

If you are frightened of blood clots, the thing you should most want to avoid is the disease, not the vaccine.

The risk of a clot from the vaccine appears to be around one in one million. The risk of clots if you catch COVID is probably close to 1,000 times that, so the best way to avoid dangerous blood clots is getting vaccinated.

No vaccine is completely free of risks. But even if these preliminary findings are confirmed, the vaccine is still extraordinarily safe. The risks from contracting COVID-19 far outweigh the minute risks from vaccination with J&J or Astra Zeneca.

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## WHATCHAMACOLUMN

## Story resurfaces with a vengeance

Linfield Professor Daniel Pollack-Pelzner wanted another bite of the apple in his campaign to discredit Linfield University President Miles Davis. He didn't get just one, but a whole bushful.

Our news story today rekindles distasteful controversies at Linfield dating back to 2017, before Davis arrived in mid-2018 from Shenandoah University in Virginia. Since then, Davis and Linfield have endured three tumultuous years, and Pollack-Pelzner has been a continuing thorn in some of those wounds.

Setting aside the 2018 storm surrounding Linfield's volleyball team — a high-drama situation resolved deftly by Davis — those controversies include:

Pre-2018 financial problems leading to 2019 faculty reductions; sexual offense and inappropriate behavior charges against members of the Board of Trustees and, to a lesser degree, Davis himself; overlaying all that with



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challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic; and lesser known, internal faculty power struggles related to Linfield's 2020 conversion from college to university.

That's a lot of apples, as previously reported. For a complete review, just type “Jubb” into our website search field; read today's story, which links to a letter Davis issued in response to the 2020 controversies; and consider how this latest reprise of old news surfaced.

Two weeks ago, Pollack-Pelzner wrote a series of tweets retracing his grievances against Davis and Linfield, with special emphasis on accusing Davis of long ago anti-Semitic comments. Back in 2020, we reported Davis's terse denial “in the strongest terms possible. These claims of bias on my part are fictitious, and were thoroughly investigated. I will not dignify the allegations by discussing them further.”

Pollack-Pelzner's 2021 Tweets drew a letter of concern from Portland chapter of the Anti-Defamation League; Oregon Public Broadcasting, whose website indicates no 2020 coverage of

the Linfield saga, dove into the whole story as if it were all new stuff; The Oregonian, which covered the 2020 sexual scandal but apparently missed the anti-Semitism charge, made up for lost ground with a lengthy investigative article published this week.

And now, we're all revisiting these past offenses and allegations. Developments continue to unfold, like the call from the Oregon Board of Rabbis for Davis to resign, which occurred just as this column was going to press.

Linfield has rebounded financially, and its conversion to University status may be its best path to future stability. That good economic news evolved despite the series of controversies that Linfield hoped — now without success — were being left behind.

Meanwhile, Miles Davis remains a lightning rod at the local campus, as Pollack-Pelzner plays a mixture of Zeus and Thor in raining down bolts and encouraging others to do the same. It seems like a story with more to come.

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## Corporate

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consider this: The MLB decision is expected to cost Georgia as much as \$100 million in lost economic activity.

Corporations understand that the jobs and tax revenue they can provide — or withhold — give them power at the negotiating table.

That's because states are all competing for the same investments. Tesla, for example, agreed to build a factory near Reno, Nevada, in 2014 in exchange for \$1.4 billion in state benefits after a bidding war.

National Football League teams have been especially ruthless in their negotiations with cities and states.

They have demanded hefty taxpayer subsidies for new stadiums. By threatening to move to another city, team owners can extract hundreds of millions of dollars in new benefits.

The dynamic is easy to understand. Lawmakers cater to corporations because they want to attract and keep business investment.

When corporations leave, they can cause property values to stagnate and tax revenue to plunge — as happened in Hartford, Connecticut, a few years ago, after several large insurance companies abandoned the city.

How corporations use their leverage is up to them. They can feed their bottom lines or advance social causes.

Traditionally, it's been the former. For example, many U.S. companies lobbied for a \$1 trillion corporate tax cut in 2017.

But increasingly, it's becoming the latter, as well.

In 2015, the threat of corporate boycotts caused then-Gov. Mike Pence to support changing an Indiana law that would otherwise have allowed anti-gay discrimination in the name of religious freedom.

Something similar happened in 2016 when Georgia's governor bowed to corporate pressure in vetoing a bill that would have legalized discrimination against same-sex couples on religious grounds.

And again in 2017, North Carolina partially repealed a law targeting transgender people over concern that boycotts by PayPal, the NCAA and former Beatle Ringo Starr would cost the state \$3.76 billion over a dozen years. The threat did not end efforts to restrict LGBTQ rights at the state level, but did demonstrate that when corporations band together, they are capable of exerting enormous economic and political pressure to advance social causes.

That possibility is likely on the minds of Georgia lawmakers following the MLB's All-Star Game decision. Despite the apparent leverage companies yield, it's not simple for most companies to just get up and leave.

For example, Delta benefits from a tax break on jet fuel in its home state. And Coca-Cola's ties to Georgia are deep and long-standing, dating back to a soda fountain in Atlanta in 1886.

Companies don't sever such ties or give up generous tax breaks easily, and neither Delta nor Coke has ever suggested that it might.

But if the many companies that publicly objected to the law want to have an impact on policy — and see the law changed or repealed — money has to be at stake. As I learned in my own research, North Carolina changed its 2015 law only after companies began boycotting the state.

Delta and Coca-Cola

employ thousands of people and generate billions of dollars in economic activity in Georgia. That's serious leverage they could use if they felt the voting rights issue sufficiently important.

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The question, then, is what it would take for them to leave Georgia.

Words and press releases alone usually aren't enough. Ultimately, this threat of lost business is what makes corporations a formidable adversary.

Without being privy to Major League Baseball's internal deliberations, I cannot say why the league dropped Atlanta with so little hesitation. But here are some likely possibilities.

First, MLB may have been concerned about holding the All-Star game in the midst of a political controversy, drawing unfavorable attention, especially in light of its own recent commitment to displaying zero tolerance for racial injustice.

It may also have seized an opportunity to show solidarity with its players, given the high-profile advocacy for social causes of many professional athletes. Research suggests employee diversity is an important consideration for corporations on matters of social justice.

Finally, as a practical matter, moving the All-Star game may have offered MLB some public relations benefits at relatively low cost to itself.

Those same reasons are likely why other sports leagues — such as the NCAA in North Carolina and the NFL over the Georgia legislation of 2016 — are often out front on these types of social issues.

And Georgia should not count on any backlash subsiding soon. After all, the NCAA withheld championship games from South Carolina for 15 years, until the state removed the Confederate flag from the statehouse grounds.

For now, MLB's decision has not prompted the kind of mass corporate revolt that could force change.

On April 12, Will Smith's production company said it was pulling its upcoming slavery-era drama, “Emancipation,” out of Georgia because of the voting law. But it's unclear whether any Georgia-based corporations will follow baseball's lead by moving business operations out of the state.

The voting law that passed is actually less restrictive than earlier versions, suggesting criticism — including that from companies — likely had some impact. Lawmakers may have made some changes precisely to avoid sparking a stronger corporate response.

But if companies like Delta and Coca-Cola really want to make a difference, if they really want to use their leverage on this issue, they will need to go beyond words. Actions would speak much louder.

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## GUEST COMMENTARY

## Prevalence of stereotypes makes Asian women especially vulnerable

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Asian American women understand that the alleged murderer of eight people in Atlanta was acting in keeping with a culture filled with racialized and sexualized views of Asian women. Of the people murdered, four women were of Korean descent and two of Chinese heritage.

The shooter himself, Robert Long, has said he was motivated to act violently because of his self-proclaimed “sex addiction.” He allegedly told investigators that the businesses he attacked represented “a temptation for him that he wanted to eliminate.”

Long sought to eliminate the objects of his sexual temptations, Asian women. In doing so, he drew on the U.S.'s long history of sexualizing Asian American women.

Harmful stereotypes of Asian women in American popular culture date back to at least the 19th century. Back then, American missionaries and military personnel in Asia viewed the women they met there as exotic and submissive.

These stereotypes influenced the first U.S. immigration law based on race, the 1875 Page Act, which prevented Chinese women from entering the United States. The official assumption was that, unless proven otherwise, Chinese women seeking to enter the United States lacked moral character and engaged in prostitution. But in fact, many were wives seeking to reunite with husbands who had already come to the U.S.

Around the same time,

Chinese women in San Francisco were scapegoated by local public health officials. Officials cited fears they would spread sexually transmitted diseases to white men, who would spread it to their wives in turn.

In the mid-20th century, U.S. military intervention and base-building in China, Japan, the Philippines, Korea and Vietnam resulted in increased interracial contact between American soldiers and Asian women. The GIs restricted interactions with the larger Asian population meant that they primarily met Asian women who worked on or near the military bases, typically service workers who cleaned or cooked on base or sex workers from surrounding communities.

Some soldiers married Asian women and brought them home as war brides, while others primarily viewed Asian women as sexual objects. Both approaches perpetuated stereotypes of Asian women as sexually submissive, either as ideal wives or exotic prostitutes.

These stereotypes are evident throughout U.S. popular culture in the form of novels and movies.

“The Teahouse of the August Moon” and James Michener's “The Bridges at Toko-Ri” feature romances between GIs and Asian women. Vietnam-era films like “Full Metal Jacket” and “Platoon” depict graphic sexual violence committed by American GIs against Vietnamese women.

In online digital pornography, Asian women are disproportionately presented as victims of rape, compared

to white women or women of other racial backgrounds. Asian American feminist and activist Helen Zia argued there is a connection between the portrayals of Asian women in pornography and violence against Asian American women in real life.

Sociologist Rosalind Chou describes how in 2000, a group of white men kidnapped five Japanese exchange students in Spokane, Washington, to fulfill their sexual fantasies of Asian female bondage, a subgenre of pornography.

Sexual attacks targeting Asian American women are more likely to come from non-Asians. Though most attacks on white or Black women come from men of the same ethnic background, Asian American women — and Native American women — are more likely to be sexually assaulted by males of a different ethnicity.

The most recent high-profile example of this dynamic is the 2015 rape of a woman by white Stanford athlete Brock Turner.

Not until 2019 did the woman, Chanel Miller, reveal her real name and her identity as an Asian American woman. At that point many Asian American women understood another element of what had already been a troubling case of white male sexual aggression: Turner likely felt entitled to use and abuse Miller's unconscious body not just because of her gender, but also because of her Asian heritage.

In March 2020, Asian American and Pacific Islander community organizations joined with San Francisco State University's Asian

American Studies Program to document incidents of anti-Asian racism occurring across the country during the COVID-19 pandemic.

They formed a group called StopAAPIHate, which has recorded an average of 11 anti-Asian hate incidents in the U.S. per day since its creation, including in-person and online verbal harassment, civil rights violations and physical assaults.

The group has found that Asian women report hate incidents 2.3 times as often as Asian men. The data doesn't distinguish between sexual assaults or harassment and other types of physical attacks and harassment, but it nevertheless emphasizes the vulnerability of being Asian and being female.

Asian women are not the only targets of racial and sexual violence. All non-white women faces greater risk of these perils than white women.

One day after the white male shooter in Georgia killed six Asian women, an armed white man was detained outside Vice President Kamala Harris' official residence in Washington, D.C.

As a mixed-race South Asian and Black woman, Harris is not exempt from this culture that racializes and sexualizes Asian women and all women of color. None of us is.

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## Mask

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Here in America, a man sooner committed and confessed to mass murder than openly acknowledge either his racism or his misogyny — a malignant brew that places Asian women in special danger. In reported cases alone, Asian women are 2.3 times more likely to be targets of racist incidents.

By the numbers, to say men committing mass murder in America is a problem is an understatement. From 1982 to the point of the Atlanta rampage, 116 mass shootings had been carried out by men, three by women.

This is a hard fact to face, but we need to overcome the cognitive dissonance — the continued denial in the face of reality — that the most violent and lethal attacks in America are perpetrated by males.

Beyond racism and sexism, and perhaps running deeper, I believe systems in American society too often give rise to men whose entitlement prevents them from knowing empathy, displaying self-awareness or taking

responsibility for their own emotional needs. This leaves many primed to harm the women around them — and anyone who doesn't look or think like they do — as they are often overly relied upon for emotional processing.

This lack of male empathy and emotional awareness is compounded by the unrealistic expectations of what is often referred to as “toxic masculinity.” From childhood, men are conditioned to never admit defeat, acknowledge wrongdoing, show vulnerability or display weakness.

To learn from failure is essential for emotional growth, but men often face immense downward societal pressure, which serves to inhibit them from doing so. I can think of no better example than a quote from shame researcher Brené Brown's book “Daring Greatly,” in which a father and husband confesses his wife and daughters would “rather see me die on top of my white horse than watch me fall off.”

In his published work, author and historian Ibram X. Kendi promotes the concept of anti-racism. In short, for you to “not be a racist” isn't enough, you must to speak

out and actively work to change the cultural and societal environment where racism thrives.

From my standpoint, we can take the principles of anti-racism and apply them directly toward efforts to unlearn sexism and misogyny.

Men must better see to their own emotional wellness, then find the courage to reach out and support others. This is because racism, sexism and misogyny are ultimately linked by the need for more men to place value in those who are different from them.

As an Asian American, things are scary for me right now. But I still have reasons to hope. I've had numerous white friends offer support, through public acts of advocacy, private messages, offers to deliver food, even the gift of fresh eggs from a clutch of hens. Beyond this, many of my white friends are showing real courage engaging in difficult conversations with family members and colleagues.

Just as importantly, my friends are continually looking at themselves in the mirror, with honesty and compassion, to find ways to

grow as allies. For this, I am so grateful.

If you have friends of Asian descent, I say now is as good a time as ever to check in, because there's a good chance they are hurting — even if they aren't outwardly showing it, even if anti-Asian attacks have once again slipped lower in the headlines. What matters is to help them feel seen, validated and like they belong.

If you don't have any Asian friends, consider supporting Asian-run businesses, or even donating to organizations geared toward racial justice. Every form of support counts.

I began this piece speaking of removing the emotional “masks” I wear. I set these aside to do honest work on my own prejudices, entitlement and sexism, as do the other men in my support group.

It is vulnerable reflection I hope more Americans, men especially, find the courage to do. Lives quite literally depend on it.

This is the crux of race-based work — having the humility to both see and learn from small missteps, in order to avert failing in larger, life-ending, life-ruining ones.

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# There's fun to be had at any age

I'd like to clear up a misapprehension many people seemingly have with regard to the elderly. They think elderly people don't have fun.



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

I don't know whether that's because they think aged people aren't capable of having fun, or that aged people perhaps have fewer opportunities for fun — such as marathons.

When I was growing up, I worried about my parents and felt sorry for them because I didn't think they were having any fun, or at least they didn't do any of the things I regarded as fun.

Sometimes in the spring for "entertainment," after supper, mother and Lynn walked down to check the wheat and rye fields tinged with the green of the sprouting crop, trying to assess the size of the crop they'd harvest this year — which was of great concern. A poor crop meant they would have to buy hay to feed the cattle in winter. This was during the Depression and posed a considerable hardship.

I have fun writing about age, and one reason I enjoy age as subject matter is that everyone seems to be concerned about it, or will in the future, which makes it a good choice and, also, because when I write about age I don't have to do any research.

As you may have noticed, or will in the future, age is not at all willing to join in any subterfuge about disguise. It sends us out in the world with gray hair. It may decide to replace our teeth. It helps our eyes with glasses. It adds something to our ears that wasn't provided by nature. Then it decides that a cane will be apropos in case we encounter an unfriendly dog or a suspicious looking

person eyeing our purse. Age is also big in suggesting walkers, or even wheeled devices capable of providing interesting rides.

And the age of other people always seems of universal interest. We so often hear the question, "How old are you?"

Some people are reticent about divulging their age especially if they don't look their years

I have a wild idea: I think it would be nice if we had two ages. One of our ages would be our true age but the other would be our virtual age.

This is how that virtual age would be determined — although I do not have the slightest belief this way of reckoning would ever become universally adopted:

You got up this morning and you are feeling like a million bucks — definitely not your actual 75 years. So when you go out to lunch with the and age is being discussed and someone asks your age. Why should you tell them your actual age? Give them your virtual age — maybe 60, maybe even 55. This is not telling a falsehood, as I view it. You don't feel your actual age; you don't look your actual age; you don't act as if you were 75. Why then, should you not give your virtual age as 55? My point is that I think we should have two ages with the one being based on birth date and the other being how old you actually feel and act and think. Is not that second age really more accurate?

But now we come to the other part of this team and that is our all-important body. We should listen to our body. It tells us so much. It probably knows more than we do. Yet some pay scant attention to what it says or the signals it sends. It's as if our theme song were, "I ain't got no body."

In almost every magazine, in almost every newspaper edition these days are articles about our physical well-being — and how exciting and

challenging is this tussle with age

Many of the articles relate to the physical abuse that age imposes on our bodies. If I were going to be a doctor, I would not consider geriatrics, although it indeed is extremely beneficial and important. But age is so infinitely complex, not only as to the number of its ailments but as to how patients view age and how best to cope with it. It seems to me geriatrics would have more ramifications than any other branch of medicine, although much research is being done regarding it.

For example, one study reveals that people who have pets have better cholesterol levels, reduced risk of high blood pressure, and lower rate of heart disease than those who don't have pets.

This research then is countered by the theory that this may be because people who have the energy to own a pet and can afford to have a pet may already have these health advantages. Although it is agreed that having a pet is beneficial, the difficulty is collecting evidence, scientific proof thereof — and that article assured readers that continued research regarding those findings is being done.

Anyone who has a pet thinks that he knows well as to the outcome of that research.

One aspect of age is, of course, our mental reaction to it, and I'm pretty sure I should be doing more crossword puzzles and should be a better helpmate to my body.

We should talk to our body, treat it like a partner, not ignore what it tells us. Articles I read remind me that I'm in a partnership with my body and that it is ever so important to be an active partner, which makes this age condition interesting and challenging.

We are given many suggestions as to what we should do. And even more necessary than crossword puzzles, is movement, more movement. True, our body

does not always agree, but in some instances we need to overrule our body because mine is known to be lazy and slothful at times, although it is true our body probably knows more than we.

As for what constitutes fun, it varies considerably from person to person. It matters not what it is as long as you include it in your life.

But in almost every article the importance of activity and exercise is stressed, so exercise first. We are even warned not to sit too long at a time. After an hour at your desk, get up, move around, get the blood flowing. It also perks you up mentally.

According to the experts, we can care for the needs of our body with just a few minutes a day. Exercise your body for a happy mind. A little exercise helps reduce stress. A short brisk walk is a great way to start your day and helps balance your mind.

Give yourself some praise for something you've done. Enumerate things for which you can be grateful.

Keep a journal. Writing is therapeutic because you write down your thoughts, your worries. Try writing a bit each night.

Read, read, read — a book, magazine, newspaper. It's an escape.

Give yourself time to socialize with friends.

Spend less time on technology. Eat nutritious foods.

Get enough sleep, sleep, sleep. It's good for mind and body.

Don't work all day, every day. Save time for relaxation — and fun.

Tell yourself you're amazing. You are.

Take care of your body. It's your friend, you need it, and remember, age has no bearing on your having fun. Fun is a given for all ages.

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## Georgia

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94 to 23, and their use limited, on a statewide basis, to the same daytime hours as in-person voting. But voters will have 17 days in which to drop off absentee ballots — a full two and a half weeks.

The law requires voters to file a formal request for an absentee ballot. It also tightens the period for doing so on both ends, but still allows ample time — more than two months.

Charge three: Voter ID is racist and suppresses minority voting.

Fact: A recent AP poll featuring more Democratic than Republican respondents found more than 70% of voters support an ID requirement. It enjoys majority support even among minority voters.

Studies show voter participation increases with an ID requirement. ID is only required for prospective voters registering the first time or voting absentee, not for registered voters participating in person.

Most importantly, to meet the requirement for casting an absentee ballot, a voter need provide only a driver's license number, state ID number or last four digits of a Social Security number, replacing the previous signature verification process. If he fails to do so, his ballot will simply be labeled provi-

sional pending subsequent verification.

What is blatantly racist is not tighter voting regulations, but the idea only whites are capable of obtaining IDs and meeting the requirements — that somehow minorities are incapable of producing identification or live in such isolated locations they cannot avail themselves of any contact with the outside world.

Finally, what are the positives regarding Major League Baseball leaving Atlanta?

Baseball officials are moving the game from a city that is 53% Black to a city that is 76% white. And they are moving it to a state with a voter ID requirement of its own.

In the process, they imposed an unnecessary financial hardship on minority businesses relying upon the game to pump much needed financial stimulus into the local economy. As a result, the very people who initially clambered for boycotts, like Stacey Abrams, are now backpedaling in the face of a resounding backlash from the community.

And, by the way, Major League Baseball requires a picture ID to pick up tickets at the will-call window.

Bill Hall is a Navy veteran who bills himself as the oldest soccer coach in Oregon.

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1. Graceful dance	___ A ___	Ace, in poker	___ U ___
2. Speck of snow	___ K ___	Sweetheart	___ M ___
3. Server	___ A ___	Poet or novelist	___ R ___
4. About 30 days	___ N ___	River's opening	___ U ___
5. Group of notes	___ D ___	Household task	___ E ___
6. Long for food	___ G ___	Orion	___ T ___
7. Where the king sits	___ E ___	Mass of people	___ G ___
8. Float or levitate	___ V ___	"Iliad" author	___ M ___
9. Stem	___ K ___	Horse cubicle	___ L ___
10. Gloomier	S ___	It has rungs	L ___

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## GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

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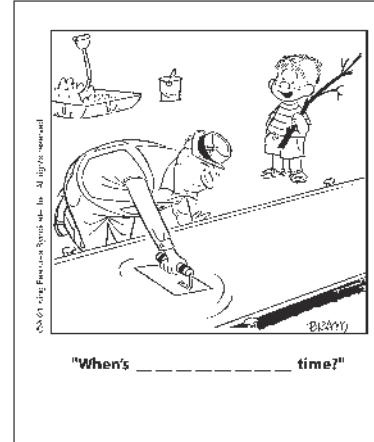
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### PUZZLES

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### SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Distant  
**METEOR** [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]

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<b>ACROSS</b>	<b>39</b> Resident doctor	<b>72</b> Writer Haley	<b>111</b> "You Were Meant for Me" singer whom everyone treasures?	<b>24</b> "Wake Up Little —"	<b>75</b> Doth own Little
<b>1</b> Insurance giant	<b>40</b> "Kiss From a Rose" singer after lots of coaching?	<b>73</b> Clutch sitter	<b>114</b> "Sort of" suffix	<b>26</b> Hitter of high notes	<b>76</b> It's a pain
<b>6</b> Italian side dish	<b>44</b> Inits. on an ambulance	<b>74</b> Moby Dick's pursuer	<b>115</b> Sharp bark	<b>29</b> Revealing, as a bikini	<b>77</b> Lager, e.g.
<b>13</b> Govt. media watchdog	<b>45</b> — Romeo	<b>75</b> "Have You Ever?" singer doing commercials for Mac computers?	<b>116</b> Most ethereal	<b>33</b> Dial or Coast	<b>79</b> Time
<b>16</b> Once lived	<b>48</b> "Marat/Sade" playwright	<b>76</b> "Yeah!" singer as a deacon?	<b>117</b> Popular font	<b>34</b> Actor Linden	<b>80</b> "Do I have a volunteer?"
<b>19</b> Cheek makeup	<b>49</b> With 35-Down, short, easy punts	<b>77</b> — -deucy	<b>118</b> No longer active: Abbr.	<b>35</b> See 49-Across	<b>81</b> In addition
<b>20</b> Put out of memory	<b>50</b> Cup edge	<b>78</b> Needle hole	<b>119</b> Ocean	<b>36</b> Africa's Guinea —	<b>82</b> "Hey, sailor!"
<b>21</b> "Impressive!"	<b>51</b> Lowly	<b>79</b> "Yeah!"	<b>120</b> Frightful flies	<b>37</b> ER workers	<b>83</b> Cartoon pic
<b>22</b> Skiing peak	<b>52</b> Hostelerias	<b>80</b> Readily bent	<b>121</b> Shabby	<b>38</b> Not fake	<b>84</b> Cowardly evasions
<b>23</b> "Glamorous" singer who's a member of the nobility?	<b>53</b> Tilted text: Abbr.	<b>81</b> — -deucy		<b>39</b> Bed size	<b>85</b> "Phyllis"
<b>25</b> Doggy	<b>54</b> "Material Girl" singer of high birth?	<b>82</b> Needle hole		<b>40</b> Nevada city	<b>86</b> Filmmaker
<b>27</b> Not disproven	<b>55</b> "— chance!"	<b>83</b> "Yeah!"		<b>41</b> "I a stinker?"	<b>87</b> Jean- — Godard
<b>28</b> "This Old House" airer	<b>56</b> "Material Girl" singer of high birth?	<b>84</b> Negatives		<b>42</b> "I a stinker?"	<b>88</b> Nav. rank
<b>30</b> Hot and heavy	<b>57</b> Neither's partner	<b>85</b> In the style of		<b>43</b> Ringo who was knighted	<b>89</b> Cartoon pic
<b>31</b> Size above med.	<b>58</b> Bit of dust	<b>86</b> Readily bent		<b>44</b> Downy duck	<b>90</b> Cowardly evasions
<b>32</b> Kind of camera, for short	<b>59</b> Neither's partner	<b>87</b> — -deucy		<b>45</b> Air blowers	<b>91</b> Shucks
<b>33</b> "Raise Your Glass" singer being scandalous?	<b>60</b> Bit of dust	<b>88</b> Needle hole		<b>46</b> Air blowers	<b>92</b> Fiscal sums
<b>36</b> Cheese variety	<b>61</b> Galena, e.g.	<b>89</b> "Yeah!"		<b>47</b> "Ah, me!"	<b>93</b> Oz resident
<b>38</b> With 82-Across, Tour de France, e.g.	<b>62</b> Ending for peer	<b>90</b> Co. leaders		<b>48</b> Court champ	<b>94</b> Leachman of
	<b>63</b> "Every Breath You Take" singer working as a spy?	<b>91</b> Olympic racer		<b>49</b> Arthur	<b>95</b> "Phyllis"
	<b>64</b> Galena, e.g.	<b>92</b> Cheese variety		<b>50</b> Kind of paint	<b>96</b> Lowest point
	<b>65</b> Ending for peer	<b>93</b> Co. leaders		<b>51</b> Nautical	<b>97</b> Really got to
	<b>66</b> "Every Breath You Take" singer working as a spy?	<b>94</b> Cry of pain		<b>52</b> Shangri-la	<b>98</b> Really got to
	<b>67</b> "Every Breath You Take" singer working as a spy?	<b>95</b> Cry of pain		<b>53</b> Seeing red?	<b>99</b> Yank in Europe, say
	<b>68</b> — -TURN (traffic sign)	<b>96</b> Cry of pain		<b>54</b> "— is human"	<b>100</b> Skein bird
	<b>69</b> Suffix with mountain	<b>97</b> "Hot in Harre" singer on edge?		<b>55</b> "— is human"	<b>101</b> "Namely ..."
		<b>98</b> "Hot in Harre" singer on edge?		<b>56</b> — -dovcy	<b>102</b> Really got to
		<b>99</b> Vehicle navig. aid		<b>57</b> Super 8, say	<b>103</b> Tummy
		<b>100</b> Vehicle navig. aid		<b>58</b> Sculpt	<b>104</b> Connections
		<b>101</b> Bar bill		<b>59</b> At no time, to	<b>105</b> Open a bit
		<b>102</b> UFO pilots		<b>60</b> Lake craft	<b>106</b> Lynn or Miles
		<b>103</b> Outer: Prefix		<b>61</b> Crop off	<b>107</b> Hot tub site
		<b>104</b> Decided by ballot		<b>62</b> Too gaudy	<b>108</b> Hot tub site
		<b>105</b> Outer: Prefix		<b>63</b> Not a thing	<b>109</b> Hot tub site
		<b>106</b> Decided by ballot		<b>64</b> Big oil gp.	<b>110</b> Afore
		<b>107</b> Suffix with mountain		<b>65</b> Northeast, on a map	<b>111</b> Op. (kin of "bid.")
		<b>108</b> Deviate			
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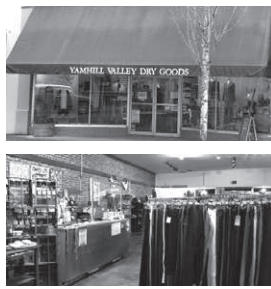
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# LEGAL NOTICES

### NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF YAMHILL In the Matter of the Estate of: ALMA MONTRE, Deceased Case No. 21PB00541

### NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that JAMES WILLIAM MONTRE has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to Personal Representative, JAMES WILLIAM MONTRE, at the address below, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred.

All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the attorneys for the personal representative.

### ADDRESS FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE:

c/o Attorney Joshua D. Zantello, OSB #121562  
Andrews Ersoff & Zantello  
2941 NW Highway 101  
Lincoln City, OR 97367  
Dated and first published April 2, 2021

/s/ JOSHUA D. ZANTELO  
Joshua D. Zantello,  
Attorney for Personal Representative  
NR Published April 2, 9, 16, 2021

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Yamhill County Transit Advisory Committee (YCTAC) will meet on **April 22, 2021 from 3:00-5:00 p.m.** The meeting will be held via Microsoft TEAMS teleconference. We are requesting all YCTAC members, local staff, and the public to **participate in a virtual meeting via MS TEAMS.**

General public who want to participate by phone can access the virtual MS TEAMS meeting at 1-971-357-0426, Conference ID #844 401 553#

To request an accommodation, an interpreter or have other meeting questions, please contact Cynthia Thompson at 503-474-4910 or email [thompsonc@co.yamhill.or.us](mailto:thompsonc@co.yamhill.or.us) or at least 48 hours in advance of the April 22nd meeting.

Si necesita esta información de otra forma o si necesita servicios de traducción, por favor marque al 503-474-4910.  
NR Published April 16, 20, 2021

### NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

On 5/18/2021 at the hour of 10:00 a.m. at the front steps of the Yamhill County Courthouse, 535 NE Fifth Street, in the City of McMinnville, Oregon, the defendant's interest will be sold, subject to redemption, in the real property commonly known as **1428 Adams Street, Lafayette, OR 97127.** The court case number is 16CV27702 filed out of Yamhill County Circuit Court, where WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST, NOT INDIVIDUALLY BUT AS TRUSTEE FOR HILLDALE TRUST, is plaintiff and ALL UNKNOWN

HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF TIA WAGENER, AN INDIVIDUAL; WILLIAM RHODES; OREGON AFFORDABLE HOUSING ASSISTANCE CORPORATION, A DOMESTIC NONPROFIT CORPORATION is defendant. The sale is a public auction to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check, in hand, made out to Yamhill County Sheriff's Office. For more information on this sale go to: <https://oregonsheriffssales.org/> Tim Svenson, SHERIFF Yamhill County, Oregon  
By: Candice Bernard/Civil Deputy  
NR Published April 16, 23, 30 May 7, 2021

### NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

#### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF YAMHILL

In the Matter of the Estate of: HELEN LOUISE FLEMING, Deceased. Case No. 21PB02690

### NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned personal representative at:

James W. Fleming, Personal Representative  
c/o Tankersley & Wright, LLC  
Attorneys At Law  
701 NE Evans Street  
PO Box 625  
McMinnville, OR 97128

Phone: 503-472-0344 within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred.

All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the attorneys for the personal representative, Catherine A. Wright Dated and first published April 16, 2021

James W. Fleming  
Personal Representative  
Catherine A. Wright, OSB #000831  
Attorney for Personal Representative  
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### NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

#### PUBLISHED FIRST TIME April 2, 2021

#### Estate of Laura Marcoullier Notice to Interested Persons (No. 21PB01949)

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Yamhill, Probate Department. Notice is hereby given that Kole Preston has been appointed as the personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them to the undersigned personal representative in care of the undersigned attorney at: 201 B Avenue, Suite 220, Lake Oswego, Oregon, 97034 within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, or such claims may be barred.

All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this estate may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative or the attorney for the personal representative.  
NR Published April 2, 9, 16, 2021

### CALL FOR BIDS April 27, 2021

The Director of Public Works, Yamhill County, McMinnville, Oregon, will receive sealed bids until **April 27th, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.** for the "Yamhill County 2021 Chip Seal Project." The work will consist of spraying oil, spreading owner supplied chip rock, rolling, sweeping, scrub sealing, and fog sealing at various county roads located in Yamhill County, Oregon. Plans and Specifications may be obtained from the Yamhill County Department of Public Works, 2060 NE Lafayette Avenue, McMinnville, Oregon 97128. Telephone (503)434-7515

### ADDRESS

Bids shall be mailed or delivered to Greg Haffner, Yamhill County Engineering Manager at the above address, no later than **April 27th, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.** at which time they will be publicly opened and read at the same locations. Bids may not be submitted by facsimile or electronic means.

Each bidder shall submit the subcontractor disclosure form required by OAR 137-049-0360 within two (2) working hours after the bid closing (prior to **4:00 p.m.** in a separate envelope marked "Yamhill County 2021 Chip Seal Project Subcontractors Disclosure Form")

Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope plainly marked "Yamhill County 2021 Chip Seal Project" and shall show the name and address of the bidder on the outside. No bid will be received or considered by the engineering manager unless the bid contains a statement by the bidder that the provisions of ORS 279C.530 shall be complied with. Each bidder must identify whether the bidder is a resident bidder, as defined in ORS 279A.120. If a bid is received from a non-resident bidder, the provisions outlined in ORS 279A.120 will apply to said bid after the bid is opened and before the contract is awarded. No bid shall be received or considered unless the bidder is registered with the Construction Contractors Board.

The Board of Commissioners, Yamhill County, reserves the right to waive minor informalities and to reject any or all bids that do not comply with prescribed public contracting procedures and requirements, including the requirement to demonstrate the bidder's responsibility under ORS 279C.375(3)(b), or if Yamhill County finds that it is in the public interest to do so.  
BY ORDER OF YAMHILL COUNTY Board of Commissioners  
Greg Haffner  
Engineering Manager  
Department of Public Works  
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### NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

#### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF YAMHILL

#### Probate Department

In the Matter of the Estate of CLAUDINE K. BENSON, Deceased.

Case No. 21PB02006

### NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

Notice: The Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Yamhill has appointed the undersigned as Personal Representative of the Estate of Claudine K. Benson, Deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present the same, with proper vouchers to the Personal Representative at Johnstone & Obert, PO Box 626, McMinnville, OR 97128 within four months from the date of first publication of this notice as stated below, or they may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by this proceeding may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the Personal Representative, or the Attorney for the Personal Representative.  
Dated and first published this 16 day of April, 2021

### Personal Representative

David L. Benson  
414 Trail Street  
Gaston, OR 97119  
503-628-9856

### Attorney for Personal Representative

Mark G. Obert, OSB 963800  
Attorney at Law  
1215 N. Adams, PO Box 626  
McMinnville, OR 97128  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE

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### TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

TS No. OR05000197-15-1S APN 132653 TO No 8763996 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE Reference is made to that certain Trust Deed made by, JAMMY S. RIMMER, A SINGLE PERSON as Grantor to WESTERN TITLE & ESCROW COMPANY as Trustee, in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as designated nominee for GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC F/K/A GMAC MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns, dated as of January 22, 2007 and recorded on January 29, 2007 as Instrument No. 200702237 and the beneficial interest was assigned to U.S. Bank Trust National Association as Trustee of the Lodge Series III Trust and recorded May 17, 2019 as Instrument Number 201906191 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Yamhill County, Oregon to-wit: APN: 132653 LOT 9, BLOCK 2, ROSE PARK ADDITION TO THE CITY OF MCMINNVILLE, COUNTY OF YAMHILL AND STATE OF OREGON. Commonly known as: 830 NE 18TH STREET, MCMINNVILLE, OR 97128 Both the Beneficiary, U.S. Bank Trust National Association as Trustee of the Lodge Series III Trust, and the Trustee, Nathan F. Smith, Esq., OSB #120112, have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said Trust Deed and notice has been recorded pursuant to Section 86.735(3) of Oregon Revised Statutes. The default for which the foreclosure is made is the Grantor's failure to pay: Failed to pay payments which became due Monthly Payment(s): 35 Monthly Payment(s) from 05/01/2015 to 04/30/2018 at \$969.90 4 Monthly Payment(s) from 05/01/2018 to 08/31/2018 at \$999.53 12 Monthly Payment(s) from 09/01/2018 to 08/31/2020 at \$1,087.81 12 Monthly Payment(s) from 09/01/2019 to 08/31/2020 at \$1,181.00 7 Monthly Payment(s) from 09/01/2020 to 03/31/2021 at \$1,216.81 Total Late Charge(s): Total Late Charge(s) 676.49 By this reason of said default the Beneficiary has declared all obligations secured by said Trust Deed immediately due and payable, said sums being the following, to-wit: The sum of \$170,611.95 together with interest thereon at the rate of 2.00000% per annum from April 1, 2015 until paid; plus all accrued late charges thereon; and all Trustee's fees, foreclosure costs and any sums advanced by the Beneficiary pursuant to the terms of said Trust Deed. Wherefore, notice is hereby given that, the undersigned Trustee will on August 2, 2021 at the hour of 11:00 AM, Standard of Time, as established by Section 187.110, Oregon Revised Statutes, at the 5th Street entrance to the Yamhill County Courthouse, 535 E 5th St, McMinnville, OR 97128 County of Yamhill, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the said described real property which the Grantor had or had power to convey at the time of the execution by him of the said Trust Deed, together with any interest which the Grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said Trust Deed, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by

the Trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in Section 86.753 of Oregon Revised Statutes has the right to have the foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Trust Deed reinstated by payment to the Beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of said principal as would not then be due had no default occurred), together with the costs, Trustee's or attorney's fees and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the obligation or Trust Deed, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for sale. Without limiting the Trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the Trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a Trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the Trustee's sale. In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes plural, the word "Grantor" includes any successor in interest to the Grantor as well as any other persons owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by said Trust Deed, the words "Trustee" and "Beneficiary" includes their respective successors in interest, if any. Dated: March 18, 2021 By: Nathan F. Smith, Esq., OSB #120112 Successor Trustee Malcolm & Cisneros, A Law Corporation Attention: Nathan F. Smith, Esq., OSB #120112 c/o TRUSTEE CORPS 17100 Gillette Ave, Irvine, CA 92614 949-252-8300 Order Number 74383, Pub Dates: 4/9/2021, 4/16/2021, 4/23/2021, 4/30/2021, THE NEWS REGISTER NR Published April 9, 16, 23, 30 2021

### NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

#### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF YAMHILL

#### Probate Department

In the Matter of the Estate of BONNIE JUNE ROSE, Deceased Case No. 21PB02442

### NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

Notice: The Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Yamhill has appointed the undersigned as Personal Representative of the Estate of Bonnie June Rose, Deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present the same, with proper vouchers to the Personal Representative at Johnstone & Obert, PO Box 626, McMinnville, OR 97128 within four months from the date of first publication of this notice as stated below, or they may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by this proceeding may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the Personal Representative, or the Attorney for the Personal Representative. Dated and first published this 16 day of April, 2021

**Personal Representative**  
Randolph Rose  
13300 SW Dupee Valley Rd.



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## LEGALS CONTINUED

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mobert@johnstone-law.com  
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May 7, 2021

### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING

A public meeting of the Budget Committee of Yamhill County, Oregon, will be held in a virtual meeting via Zoom, to discuss the budget for fiscal year July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022. The meeting will take place on May 3, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget. This is a public meeting where the deliberations of the Budget Committee will take place. Due to current declared emergencies related to COVID-19 and to maintain social distancing, the Committee will meet via Zoom (Meeting ID #92083988501) and the meeting is closed to in-person public attendance; however, the meeting will be

livestreamed to the Board of Commissioners' YouTube channel. A special public comment session on the budget will be held at 5:30 p.m. on May 3, 2021, also via Zoom (Meeting ID #95463159093). The special public comment session is closed to in-person public attendance; however, the meeting will be livestreamed to the Board of Commissioners' YouTube channel. Anyone wishing to submit public comment for the special comment session on May 3, 2021, will need to submit comments in writing (email at bocinfo@co.yamhill.or.us or mail 535 NE 5th St, McMinnville, OR 97128) and comments must be received by 5 p.m. on May 3, 2021, to be added to the record. All comments received will be distributed to Budget Committee Members and added to the record. A copy of the proposed budget may be inspected or obtained after Monday, April 26, 2021, on the county's website at www.co.yamhill.or.us. For questions regarding accessibility or to request an accommodation please contact the Board of Commissioners' office at 503-434-7501 or 503-554-7801. This notice is also published on the county's website at www.co.yamhill.or.us. NR Published April 16, 2021



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**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Practical matters dominate the week, but cultural activities also are favored, especially those that can be shared with someone special in the Bovine's life. Some important news might be forthcoming.  
**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) You need to know more about a possible career move in order to see if it offers a real opportunity or just a change. You're sure to get lots of advice — some of it good — but the decision must be yours.  
**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) The arrival of hoped-for good news about a loved one dominates most of the week and provides a great excuse for the party-loving Moon Child to plan a special event to celebrate.  
**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Leos and Leonas rushing to finalize their plans might want to think about slowing down the pace, or risk overlooking an important consideration that could become a sore point down the line.  
**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) The week's challenges call for logical approaches. But sentiment also has its place. Sharing memories with a special someone, for example, strengthens the bond between you.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) A brand-new approach to a problem could have a good chance of succeeding if it's based on a solid foundation of fact to strengthen its potential for standing up to scrutiny.  
**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) A favorable report should give your optimism an important boost as you confront another phase of a challenge. Don't be timid about accepting advice from someone you trust.  
**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) You might want to target another goal if your current aim is continually being deflected. But stay with it until you find that first sign of an opening, and then follow through.  
**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Although offers of advice might not always please the usually sure-footed Goat, good counsel is always worth considering, especially from those whose experience can be invaluable.  
**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Don't rush to make up for lost time. Your productivity can be measured not only by what you do, but how you do it. Move carefully until the job is done the way you like it.  
**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Emerging facts about someone you know might cause you to rethink your relationship. But remember to make judgments in context of a full situation, not just on scraps of data.  
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3. Waiter, Writer	8. Hover, Homer
4. Month, Mouth	9. Stalk, Stall
5. Chord, Chore	10. Sadder, Ladder

**Super Crossword**

**Answers**

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## COMICS

**Out on a Limb** by Gary Kopervas

WHATCHA GOT, PANTUSOP...  
WE CAUGHT HER AND HER CREW AT THE BORDER WITH A TRUCKLOAD OF PRODUCT SECTIONALS, LOVECHAIRS, RATTAN PATIO FURNITURE AND SOFA CUSHIONS  
SOMEBODY CALL MY LAWYER.  
AFTER MONTHS OF SURVEILLANCE, THE AUTHORITIES FINALLY BUSTED LOTTIE WITZIG, HEAD OF THE WICKER CARTEL

**R.F.D.** by Mike Marland

MUD SEASON KEEPS GETTIN' WORSE.  
UH-OH! HERE HE GOES AGAIN WITH THE CLIMATE CHANGE THING!  
ALTHOUGH, I GOTTA ADMIT... IT DOES SEEM A MITE MORE EXTREME THIS YEAR.

**TIGER** by Bud Blake



# Kid Scoop

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## Kid Scoop Together: How to Draw a Dragon

### AN INTERVIEW with Adam Rubin

Many students have read the books *Dragons Love Tacos* and *Dragons Love Tacos 2: The Sequel*. Kindergarten students at Strobridge Elementary in Castro Valley, CA put together a whole lot of questions for the author Adam Rubin and they loved these books so much, they went on to read more of Adam's books.



**Q: How did you make the book?**

A: I get this question a lot and I think some students are under the impression that I actually physically produce the books in my apartment ... I only write the words.

I use Google docs (just like a lot of students I know). After I'm finished writing, Dan draws the pictures and then all the digital files are sent to a factory in China where they print out the copies of the books for people to buy. The front and back cover are hard because there are thick pieces of cardboard hidden under the paper.

**Q: How did you think of the idea?**

A: When I was a kid, my dad had a little statue on his desk that looked like a dragon eating a taco. It made me think of the phrase "Dragons Love Tacos" which stuck in my head until I was an adult and it sounded like a good title for a picture book. I have the statue on my writing desk now.

**Q: Where were you when you wrote the story?**

A: I wrote *Dragons Love Tacos* at my kitchen table at night after work while I was working at an advertising agency in Chicago. I had a day job and wrote stories at night for the first seven years that I was an author.

**Q: Why do dragons love tacos?**

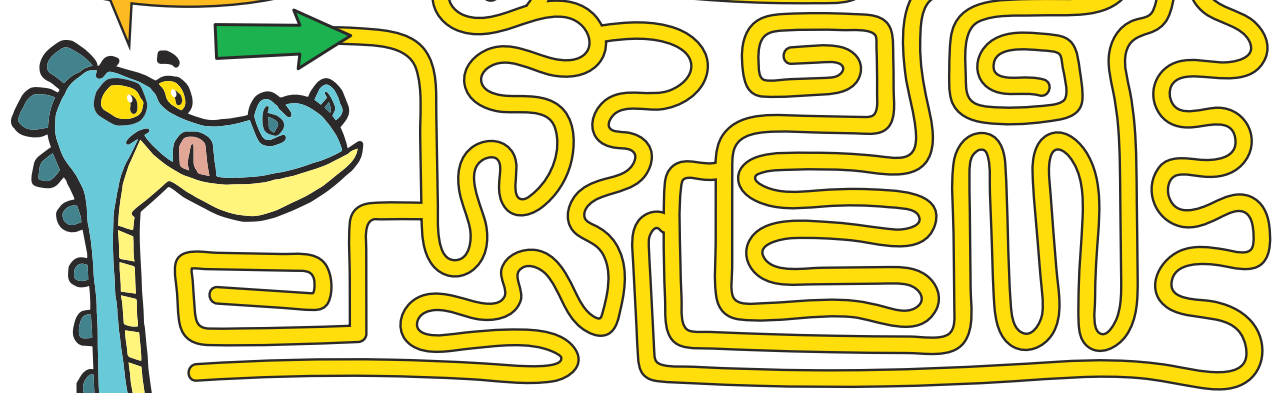
A: Dragons love tacos for the same reasons I love tacos. Tacos are delicious, nutritious, fun to make and easy to eat. There are endless varieties. They are the perfect food!



**Q: Why don't dragons like spicy salsa?**

Dragons have a special sensitivity to spicy foods, just like my Uncle Morris. Luckily, I have a stronger stomach and love to eat spicy salsa. The spicier the better, in fact.

I'm ready for lunch! Can you help me find the taco?



**Q: Why does smoke come out of the dragon noses?**

Dragons are known to breathe fire. The smoke is a warning sign of the impending inferno. Kind of like a burp from Uncle Morris.

**Q: When did you start writing stories?**

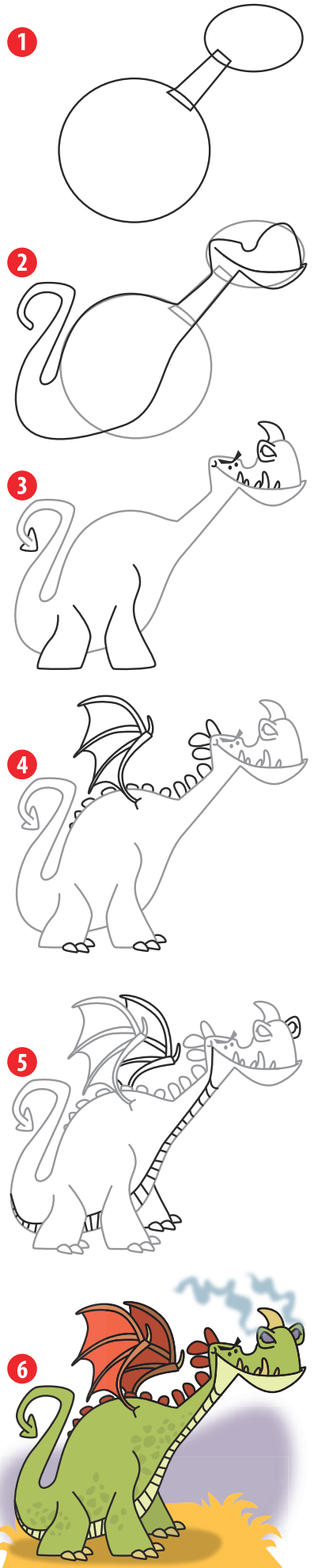
I always liked writing stories, ever since I was a little kid. When you're a kid, people tell you what to do all the time: what to eat, what to wear, when to go to bed ... But when you write a story, you can do anything you want. You can stay up 'til 4:00 in the morning, you can eat a thousand pizzas, you can fly to the moon on a magical rhinoceros. That's what I love about writing. Anything you can imagine, you can bring it to life in a story.



**Extra! Extra!**  
**What a Character**

Select a character in a comic strip. Write three things that describe how this character looks. Then write three things about the personality of this character.

**Standards Link:** Writing Applications: Students write phrases that describe concepts.



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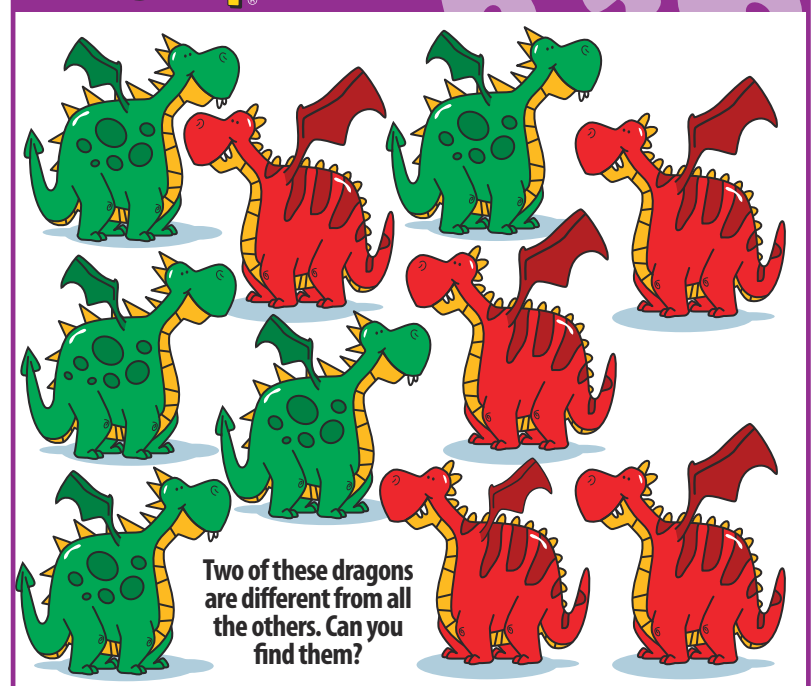
**This week's word: PHYSICALLY**  
The adverb **physically** means relating to the body not the mind.

Painting the mural was **physically** hard work.  
Try to use the word **physically** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

**Write On!**

**Reading Rocks**  
"I love to read because..."  
Explain why and what you enjoy reading.

**Kid Scoop Puzzler**



**Double Double Word Search**

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?

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**Standards Link:** Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

**FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY**

**Headline Helpers**  
Select five headlines from the newspaper. Then rewrite them by using **synonyms** for the nouns and verbs. Synonyms are words that means the same thing as another word (For example, **good** = great, excellent, awesome).  
**Standards Link:** Vocabulary: Use strategies of the writing process to write a variety of sentences.

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**ANSWER:** Fire alarms!

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# BEHIND THE MASK

*For Asians in America, the threat — and the fear — is real*



**O**n the outside, I presented myself like I would any other day for work. I socially distanced. I made small talk about the weather. I maintained the facade that everything was “OK.”

After my last appointment, I returned to my car and removed the masks I wear — the physical mask first, then the emotional ones. Uncovered and alone in my car, I let my frayed edges — my emotional exhaustion and grief — show.

It was the afternoon of March 17, amid a week when anti-Asian hate seemed to reach a crescendo.

Just that morning, a white man in San Francisco punched a 75-year-old Asian grandmother in the street, blackening both her eyes — this after he’d punched an 83-year-old Asian man a short distance away. The day prior, a white male in Atlanta killed six Asian women as part of an eight-person killing spread among three Asian-owned spas.

There’ve been almost daily reports in the weeks since. We’ve experienced a wave of attacks. Assaults. Slurs. Spitting.

And it didn’t just start. According to a recent report on National Public Radio, nearly 3,800 reports of anti-Asian discrimination have been documented since March of last year in the U.S.

As an American of Chinese descent, my heart is heavy. I hope in sharing my words here I can serve as a touchstone to humanize myself and those who resemble me.

This is real. This is happening. Please do not look away.

Like many, I am fatigued from life constrained by the pandemic. But I also feel I have a target painted on my back. So I am on alert every time I set foot outside the house.

Day to day, I work hard to manage my fears and care for my well-being. I exercise. I meditate. I read. I have a kick-ass therapist. And I’m part of a men’s emotional support group which meets virtually.

Still, I feel helpless, because all the push-ups, self-help and “Yoga with Adriene” on YouTube can’t stop a sucker punch, not to mention a knife, a bullet or a truck.

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# Is your lawnmower ready for summer?

Cutting the grass is a crucial part of maintaining your lawn. If you want to simplify this task, make sure your lawnmower is in good condition at the beginning of the season. Here's a checklist so you don't forget anything.



**The Blades.** Since damaged blades can't be sharpened, you'll need to replace them if they're cracked or dented. Blades that are in good shape should be sharpened to ensure a clean cut. To help your mower perform efficiently, do this at least twice every summer.

**The Oil.** If you have a gas-powered lawnmower, change the oil in spring or after about 50 hours of use, whichever comes first. Be sure to disconnect the

spark plug before you begin. Place a container near the drain pipe, gently tilt the mower toward it and remove the oil cap or plug. Once you've drained the old oil, replace it. If your mower has a fuel filter, change that as well.

**The Spark Plug.** To ensure your lawnmower starts easily and runs smoothly, replace the spark plug once a year. All you need is a spark plug socket and wrench to remove the old plug and install the new one.

**The Air Filter.** Like the spark plug, your lawnmower's air filter should be changed annually. In some cases, however, simply cleaning this component will do the trick.

In addition to these steps, remember to inspect the wheels, lubricate all moving parts and clean the underside of your lawn mower. If you have an electric model, charge or replace the battery as needed. Don't forget to fill up the tank if you have a gas-powered mower.

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# Five tips for taking care of rose bushes

Roses can easily become the star of your garden. While the climbing varieties are tricky to care for, rose bushes present less of a challenge. Here are some tips for taking care of them.



**1: Water them sufficiently.** Roses need to be watered on a regular basis, especially in the spring. Do so early in the morning and apply mulch to help the soil retain moisture. Water the base of the plant to avoid getting the leaves wet.

**2: Fertilize them sparingly.** Rose bushes don't need to be fertilized every year. However, if the soil is lacking in nutrients, you can apply a natural, nitrogen-rich fertilizer in the spring to stimulate new growth. In July, opt

for a phosphorus mixture to promote flowering.

**3: Prune them annually.** In spring, remove branches that are diseased, damaged or growing inward before the buds open. Keep healthy canes, but cut them back by about a third of their length. Always prune just above a bud that's pointing outward from the plant.

**4: Rejuvenate them periodically.** Rose bushes benefit from being severely

pruned back every five years or so. This is an effective way to rejuvenate the plant and encourage new growth. Identify a few older canes and cut them just above ground level.

**5: Check them frequently.** Rose bushes are susceptible to diseases such as powdery mildew, rust and black spot. They also attract a number of harmful insects including aphids, caterpillars and beetles. Inspect your plants regularly and treat them as needed.

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