

MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE

The letter Elkhorn Electric sent to Greentrees homeowners is to inform each homeowner that preventative maintenance on their pedestals is much less costly than emergency services, which Elkhorn Electric has seen a lot of lately.

Greentrees is not endorsing any contractor and recommends you contact the electrician of your choice to have an inspection. Greentrees Village is not responsible for electrical services at our individual homes, nor the pedestal boxes that bring the electricity to our homes. Please do not contact our office staff regarding this.

Elkhorn is scheduling inspections. The cost of this inspection is \$120 and will include inspecting and lubricating your service. Please call Elkhorn Electric and schedule an appointment with Heather.

SPRING MAINTENANCE—ELECTRICAL PEDESTALS

A new maintenance routine should be added to each of our lists of annual spring maintenance for our homes. The electrical pedestal and meter is susceptible to corrosion due to moisture, heat, and cold. The pedestal is the sole responsibility of each homeowner. ANY work must be done by a qualified electrician who will get in touch with Central Lincoln PUD for coordination on the maintenance, when necessary. Maintenance should be planned ahead with a licensed electrician of your choice.

If left to fail as ours did, we learned the hard way, an Emergency response and replacement is extremely costly. All short electric meter pedestals are not the current building code. If the electric pedestal fails, the pedestal must be brought up to current code. Good luck and Happy Spring!

Tom & Michele Smith



Original height pedestals in GTV East



Electric pedestal corrosion from dampness heat salt air



Back of electric meter. Notice corrosion on upper left connector



New electrical pedestal—height is approximately 5 feet at top



Original pedestal with electric meter removed. Notice lower right side connection was burnt as well as neutral (yellow wire) corroded and burnt

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HOA DUES REMINDER

HOA Fees: In 2025, dues have increased to \$318/month.

Please remember to change the amount you pay in 2025. If you have an autopay set-up, please change your amount to reflect the current dues.

If you need assistance, please see article below.

Thank you,
Office Staff

2nd ASSISTANCE FUND FOR GREENTREES RESIDENTS INCREASE IN DUES

An additional \$10,000 fund has been set up to help certain residents who are most in need of assistance with the increase in the annual HOA dues. This is a separate fund from the SOS fund created to help with HOA dues increases. Carley Scibetta will be managing the new fund and distributing the amounts in lump sums for each lot needing assistance. It will NOT be a lump sum of \$10,000 given directly to Greentrees. If you require assistance with the increased HOA fees, please contact Carley directly.

The difference between the two funds is one is being held at SOS for those homeowners who may need assistance for a month or two, but no more than six months. The other \$10,000 is being held by Carley and it will be used to pay the increase in dues for homeowners who cannot afford the monthly increase. The payout will be given as a lump sum of \$48 x the number of months needed by the individual. For example, if they only paid their January dues and need help for the remainder of the year, the amount paid will be $\$48 \times 11 = \528 . If they have already paid their February bill, the amount will be for $\$48 \times 10 = \480 .

Please spread the word to anyone who might benefit from this initiative. Also, if you know someone who would need assistance and might be resistant to applying for help, please feel free to pass a name along to Carley.

Greentrees Village Inc. has no involvement in distributing the funds, we only apply the funds paid to Greentrees for the appropriate lots. Please do not contact the office, but contact Carley Scibetta or SOS for more information

Mardi Wetmore

WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS

Jennifer & Troy Brown #275

Cindy Macha #657

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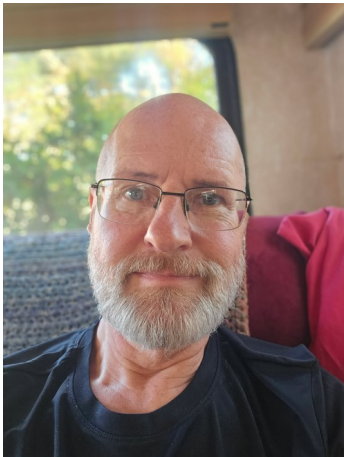


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(Adjacent to St. Vinnie's in Coastal Fitness Plaza)

MAINTENANCE EMPLOYEES

DAVID RHOADES

David Rhoades was born in 1966 in Idaho Falls, Idaho, a city defined by its river's cascading waterfalls. David fondly recalls his mother telling him how the room she had when he was born overlooked the river, which was peaceful and calming. As one of eight siblings—two brothers and five sisters—he moved at the age of eleven with one brother to Arco, Idaho, to live with a foster father. Arco, the first city powered by atomic energy, is where David spent his formative years and attended high school.



In 1993, David met Terri, and they married. Though they later divorced, their love endured, leading to a reunion in 2018. They resided in eastern Idaho, where the annual snowfall of 12 to 15 feet drove their decision to relocate to Oregon's milder climate. David had a job lined up with NAPA, but when it fell

through, they settled at Heceta Beach RV Park, where the owner offered David work.

David remained employed there until the winter of 2023. During this time, he met Patty Harrison, who informed him about a maintenance position at Greentrees Village. David applied and was hired while searching for a permanent home. He found a rental on 5th Street within Greentrees Village, and he and Terri moved in. Fortunately, because of a decision made by the 2024 board on living and working in Greentrees Village, David was able to keep both his job and the home he and Terri love.

Colleen Starkey

CESAR MARTINEZ

Cesar (Say-Zar) Martinez was born in 1981 in Jalisco, Mexico. He is the oldest of six siblings. When he was seven, his family moved to Arbutle, California. At the age of twelve, wanting to help his struggling parents, he took a night job cleaning at a restaurant for \$12.00 a night, contributing to the family income. He graduated from high school while working in the farming community, starting on an alfalfa farm where he learned to operate machinery for processing and baling.

In 2006, Cesar met April, and they fell in love, eventually marrying in 2008. He secured a managerial position at an olive and nut farm, where he worked for 13 years while raising their three children—a girl and two boys, aged 6 to 24. After years of trying to save for a home, they moved to Florence into a house that April inherited from her mother. This provided them with a stable place to raise their family.



Soon after arriving in Florence, Cesar learned about a maintenance position opening at Greentrees Village. He reached out to James, the hiring manager, who invited him for an interview. After applying, James called the next day with the news that Cesar had been offered the job. Thrilled by the opportunity, Cesar started immediately, excited to embark on this new chapter in his life. He and his family have tried crabbing and decided it was too much work. They are looking forward to getting their fishing licenses so they can try out their fishing poles.

Colleen Starkey

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JOIN EMERGENCY RESPONSE RADIO TEAM

We test once a month and it only takes a few minutes. It's important to have all districts represented. If you can spare 15 minutes a month to test a radio frequency from your home, please contact Kristel 541.997.0909

If you need a radio, GERT has some to loan for the team. We have no one for district 7, so they will unfortunately be last responded to in the event of an emergency.

If you have any question contact Kristel. Leave a message with name, lot number, and contact number.

Kristel Buechner

GREENTREES EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (GERT)

March is Flood awareness month, with a week dedicated to tsunami awareness.

In the past years GERT has participated in Tsunami Walk-Out drill with the City of Florence. This year, the GERT team will be performing their own tsunami walk-out drill in GTV. The city will not be participating in the exercise this year. The tsunami awareness week is the last week in March.

What can cause a tsunami? Tsunamis can be from earthquakes, underwater landslides, or underwater volcanic eruptions. Florence is in a tsunami zone. If we have a local earthquake or a distant earthquake we may be under a tsunami warning or watch.

If you are on the beach and hear the tsunami sirens, leave immediately and follow the evacuation route by getting out of the tsunami zone to higher ground.

The last Friday of every month at 11am, Florence tests the tsunami sirens.

Kristel Buechner
GERT trainer/Coordinator
541.997.0909

IN MEMORIAM

We would like to honor and remember our cherished GTV friends, neighbors, and family members who have passed away; however, we must first obtain permission from the deceased's family. If you are aware of a GTV resident who has recently passed, please let us know so we can reach out to their next of kin for permission and details. All approved announcements will be published in the next available newsletter.

LUNCHEON OUT FORTUNE COOKIES

Do not follow where the path may lead. Go where there is no path... and leave a trail.

After a big storm comes tranquility.

Accept what comes to you each day.

All happiness is in the mind.

A rolling stone gathers no moss, but it obtains a certain polish.

If you can shape it in your mind, you'll find it in your life.

RECYCLE CANISTERS

County Transfer & Recycling has decided to switch to collecting recycling biweekly (every two weeks). They have begun delivering new 65-gallon recycling canisters to our community. Once they begin picking these up, please use the existing yellow bins solely for glass recycling. Place all other recyclables in the new canister. The biweekly pick-up will begin on March 3.

Country Transfer & Recycling would like us to use the 65 gallon canisters for the month of March before calling them to order a different size. If you would like a different size recycling canister, either a 35-gallon or 95-gallon size, you can request one by calling County Transfer & Recycling at 541-997-8233 after April 1.

James Tennison

GTV VEHICLE STORAGE LOTS

Are you aware we have storage lots available for rent to put your truck, RV, or trailer in? No vehicles longer than 24' or wider than 10'. The cost is \$25/mo. Please contact the office about renting one of these lots.

James Tennison

PREPARING FOR THE UNEXPECTED AND INEVITABLE

Death is a topic many of us prefer to avoid, but taking the time to prepare for it is one of the most thoughtful and responsible gifts you can give to your loved ones. By organizing your affairs, you can ensure your wishes are honored, reduce stress for your family, and leave a legacy of clarity and care. Here's a guide to the essential steps you should take to be prepared.

- Make sure all bank accounts have direct beneficiaries. The beneficiary need only go to the bank with your death certificate and an ID of their own.
- TOD = Transfer On Death deed if you own a home. Completing this document and filing it with your county saves your heirs THOUSANDS. This document allows you to transfer ownership of your home to your designee. All they need to do is take their ID and your death certificate to the county building and the deed is signed over. Doing this will avoid the home having to go through probate. Living Will: Allows one to put in writing exactly what you want done in the event you cannot speak for yourself when it comes to healthcare decisions as well as other final decisions.
- Durable Power of Attorney: Allows one to designate a person to make legal decisions if you are no longer competent to do so.
- Power of Attorney for Healthcare: This document allows one to designate someone to make healthcare decisions for them.
- Last Will and Testament: Designates to whom personal belongings will go.
- Funeral Planning Declaration: Allows one to say exactly one's wishes as far as disposition of the body and the services.

If the above documents are done, you can AVOID probate.

If all the above is not done, you have to open an estate account at the bank. All money that doesn't have direct beneficiaries goes into this account. You have to have an attorney to open the estate account. The attorney also has to publicize your passing in the newspaper or post publication at the county courthouse, to allow anyone to make a claim on your property. It's a complete PAIN.

- Make a list of all banks and account numbers, all investment institutions with account numbers, lists of credit cards, utility accounts, etc. Leave clear instructions as to how and when these things are paid.
- Make sure heirs know where life insurance policies are located.
- Make 100% sure SOMEONE knows your Apple ID, bank ID account logins and passwords!
- Make sure you have titles for all vehicles, campers, etc!
- Set up a TRUST for intended beneficiaries, especially those that are too young, and appoint a trustee of said trust.

MOST IMPORTANTLY!!!! Talk with those closest to you and make all your wishes KNOWN. Talk to those whom you've designated, as well as those close to you whom you did not designate. Do this to explain why your decisions were made and to avoid any lingering questions or hurt feelings.

Hope this helps! Hope this lights a spark to encourage all your friends and family to take care of these things to make it easier for those we all leave behind!

My hope is that the above list at least helps you start an important conversation with your loved ones.

Cindy Gentry—Western Lane Crisis Response

Disclaimer: Greentrees Village Inc, The Village Voice, and Cindy Gentry from WLCC are not financial advisers; please consult a financial advisor of your choice. Don't share information that can identify you.

LIVING IN A GREAT SMALL COMMUNITY: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Living in a great small community is about more than just enjoying the benefits—it's about contributing to the collective spirit that makes our neighborhood truly special. Nestled in the heart of our charming 55+ community is a vibrant group of residents who take pride in creating a wonderful place to call home. However, many of our dedicated volunteers, who have selflessly served for years, are finding it harder to keep up as they grow older. Now, more than ever, we need our younger residents to step forward—whether to share their expertise or to learn from the wisdom of those who have built our community's strong foundation.

Your involvement is key to building stronger connections, fostering a sense of belonging, and ensuring our community remains a place we're all proud to live in. From beautifully maintained common areas to engaging activities and smooth operations, our community thrives on the dedication of its volunteers. To keep our neighborhood running smoothly, we need *you*—your skills, your time, and your passion!

Volunteers are the heartbeat of our community, bringing fresh energy, creativity, and care to a wide range of committees and initiatives. No matter your background or interests, there's a perfect role for you to make a meaningful difference.

How to Get Started

Ready to lend a hand? Contact our office at 541-590-3003 to learn more about volunteer opportunities and how you can get involved. Together, we can ensure our small community remains truly great for years to come!

Diane Greer

ATTEND THE MEETINGS OF THESE COMMITTEES TO SEE WHERE OR HOW YOU COULD PARTICIPATE

Activities Committee: Help plan and organize events, social gatherings, and programs that bring our residents together.

Architectural Control Committee: Help maintain the aesthetic and structural integrity of our community by reviewing plans and ensuring compliance with guidelines.

Bingo Committee: Bring fun and excitement to our residents by organizing bingo nights and other recreational activities.

Communications Committee: Contribute to our newsletter (advertising agent, editor, photographer, proofreader, writer), website, and other communication channels to keep everyone informed and engaged.

Finance Committee: Lend your financial expertise to help manage budgets, plan for the future, and ensure fiscal responsibility.

Greentrees Emergency Response Team: Be part of a vital group that ensures our community is prepared for emergencies and ready to assist when needed.

Property Committee: Work alongside maintenance staff to oversee the care and improvement of our shared spaces.





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The Greentrees activities committee has openings for a chairman, hosts for events and anyone who would like to contribute ideas for fun social activities that Greentrees has for residents. We have some openings for hosts for the 3rd Saturday Coffee Socials and for 4th Friday monthly potlucks, and we will have the usual sign ups for those attending and helpers for other events as they occur during the year.

The committee has been doing their work without an official chairman, and will continue to do so if no one steps up. Three big events that require someone to chair them if they are to happen this year are the Flea Market sale in July, our biggest fundraiser, Thanksgiving Dinner in November, and Christmas Dinner in December. If you are interested in taking on a big event, there will be many others to help.

For February, a special thanks and shout out to Tracie Nash for hosting the monthly Coffee Social, and Charles and Elizabeth Lugg for hosting the monthly potluck.

If there is an activity that you would like to see happen, please speak up and help organize it. Last year we added two new activities in December: a showing by the Quilt Group where they exhibited their outstanding work from the year, and a Game Night held on New Year's Eve. We are looking forward to new ideas for other events! The next Activities Committee meeting is Monday, March 17th at 10am in the MPR. We would love to see you there. For more information about the Activities Committee, reach out to Patty Harrison, temporary Activities Coordinator, and/or Jeff Meyers.

SUMMER GOLF LEAGUE

Shelter Cove HOA along with Resurrection Lutheran Church is working with Ocean Dunes Golf Course to sponsor a summer Golf League. We have a number of people interested in playing but it would be great if we had more people. Details are not set in concrete at this point but in general we are looking at the following:

- Late afternoon either Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday in order to avoid conflict with other groups already playing.
- 9 holes, scramble format, possible shotgun start, handicap and net. Social event, just for fun, maybe some small prizes, beginners welcome. Men and Women.

Cost will be \$39.00 per player including cart. No charge for existing Ocean Dunes Golf members. We will be holding an orientation get-together at the Ocean Dunes Club house in the near future to nail down the details. If you are interested please send your name, e-mail and phone # to:

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I understand that a new president—especially one who is still learning the inner workings of our neighborhood and community—may bring some apprehension. However, I want to assure you that my mission is to serve all residents and foster a community where everyone feels welcome and supported. This mission is dependent on each and every one of us working together to create a positive, thriving atmosphere.

We all deserve to live in an environment that is both accommodating and healthy. As president, my role depends on our collective efforts to improve Greentrees. It is important that history does not dictate our roles, rules, regulations, or outcomes. While history can sometimes stand in the way of progress, we must remember that all great ideas are born from lessons learned. By embracing the past as a tool for growth rather than a barrier, we can move forward together.

Tracie Nash

WESTERN LANE MOBILE CRISIS RESPONSE (WLCR) TEAM

On February 12, the Western Lane Mobile Crisis Response Team met with residents to outline their free, grant-funded services—no insurance, tax dollars, or payment required. Operating 24/7, including holidays, they offer mental health counseling and support for challenges like homelessness, food insecurity, alcohol and drug addiction, grief, and various social services, all customized to individual needs.

A central point they stressed is that they don't define a crisis. What feels overwhelming or unmanageable varies from person to person, and they respect that. Their mission is to deliver compassionate, professional assistance without judgment, providing resources tailored to each situation.


The team tackled a tough but vital topic: suicide and its prevention, a pressing concern in Florence, where seniors face an alarmingly high suicide rate. They identified common triggers for suicidal thoughts among older adults, such as grief from losing a spouse or close friends, physical disabilities that restrict independence, social isolation due to distant family or friends, and persistent depression. They encouraged breaking the silence around these struggles, emphasizing that seeking help carries no shame—it's a courageous step. If you or someone you know is hurting, they're ready to assist.

In emergencies, dial 911 and request the Crisis Response Team; they can arrive with police to calm volatile situations or alone if police aren't needed. For non-emergencies, call 541-997-3515. Beyond immediate aid, they offer aftercare, following up to ensure access to food, medical care, housing, or other support, promoting lasting stability.

Diana Lindsley

"Dogs are wise. They crawl away into a quiet corner and lick their wounds and do not rejoin the world until they are whole once more."

—Agatha Christie




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SENIOR ABUSE AWARENESS PRESENTATION

Senior abuse is, unfortunately, all too common. It doesn't have to be physical abuse, but can also be emotional, mental, or financial abuse. It can be done by family, spouse, 'friends', and others. Do you know the signs of senior abuse? And if you witness it, do you know what to do and who to report it to?

Adult Protective Services will be doing a vital presentation for Greentrees on these important topics to educate us on these critical issues. They will be here on **March 11 at 2 PM** to do a presentation in the Rec Hall. They will give us the answers to the questions above and answer any questions you may have. Don't miss this important event—plan to attend and help protect our seniors.

Grief Counseling

Losing a loved one can be an incredibly isolating experience, often leaving those in grief feeling disconnected from the world around them. While joining a group may not be your initial instinct, a grief support group can offer immense comfort and understanding. Recognizing that grief is both a shared human experience and a deep personal journey can help alleviate some of the pain and guide you toward healing.

PeaceHealth offers two free support groups: men-only group meeting monthly, and an 8-week closed group for all adults who have experienced loss.

For men, grief can be particularly challenging. PeaceHealth's new men's grief group welcomes all men 18+; your loss need not be recent, or hospice related. Meetings are held the first Monday of each month, 1:00–2:30 PM, at the PeaceHealth 386 Admin Building (386 9th St), near the Primary Care Clinic and Memorial Garden. No registration is required, and trained bereavement professionals facilitate. Contact Christina Harkness at 541-997-3418 with questions. Join us!

For those interested in the 8-week closed group, please call to inquire about upcoming session dates. This group is open to all adults experiencing grief and provides a structured environment to support your healing journey. Additional details can be found in the flyer included in this issue. We encourage you to reach out and take advantage of these opportunities to find solace and connection.

Christina Harkness
PeaceHealth / PeaceHarbor Hospice

Clocks will officially spring forward on Sunday, March 9 at 2 AM

"A dog teaches a boy fidelity, perseverance, and to turn around three times before lying down."—Robert Benchley



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MAINTENANCE UPDATE

Maintenance is moving forward with phase 2 of the waterworks project. The patch work of phase 1 is going to be completed as soon as the asphalt plant is reopened. We will notify you as soon as we know when that will be. We have installed all of the new lighting in the Clubhouse. Just some touch up work of the drywall left to finish. The bear bench has been refinished and we are now working on refinishing the arbor from the Atrium.

James Tennison

INFORMATION GALORE—FLORENCE CITY NEWSLETTERS

Focus On Florence, the name of our city newsletter, has numerous informational articles. Our sleepy little town is packed with events, changes, and resources. This year brought news such as: new codes, recycling, land use, Rhody Express ridership, public works projects, winter storm damage, and more. By attending the Environmental Management Advisory Committee meeting, I learned that our town is a “Tree City” and learned about forthcoming county recycling changes that can affect us all.

There is a wealth of information available on the city’s website which is: www.ci.florence.or.us. On the website’s home page, there are links to:

- Our community: It features amenities, education, events, activities, and more.
- Doing Business: It lists resources for various business-related matters.
- Welcome Visitors: It highlights amenities, events, activities, recreational information, and links to the calendars and minutes for Florence Events Center and the Chamber of Commerce.
- Inside City Hall: It gives you knowledge about how our city operates, including agendas and minutes.
- Helpful Resources: It links us to information about various aspects of life in Florence.

Check it out—there is a wealth of free and excellent information to be had!

Jack Stephen

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CLAM CHOWDER CHALLENGE

Clam Chowder Cook off Competition coming soon!

Who: Greentrees Residents

What: Crown the King or Queen of GTV Chowder Chefs

When: March 28th, Greentrees Village Potluck, 5pm, Rec Hall

Join the fun and bring your favorite potluck dish. Chefs who wish to join the chowder competition will bring a large pot of clam chowder to share samples for residents to pick their favorite. This will be a blind tasting, meaning we won't know who made which chowder. Prizes will be awarded!

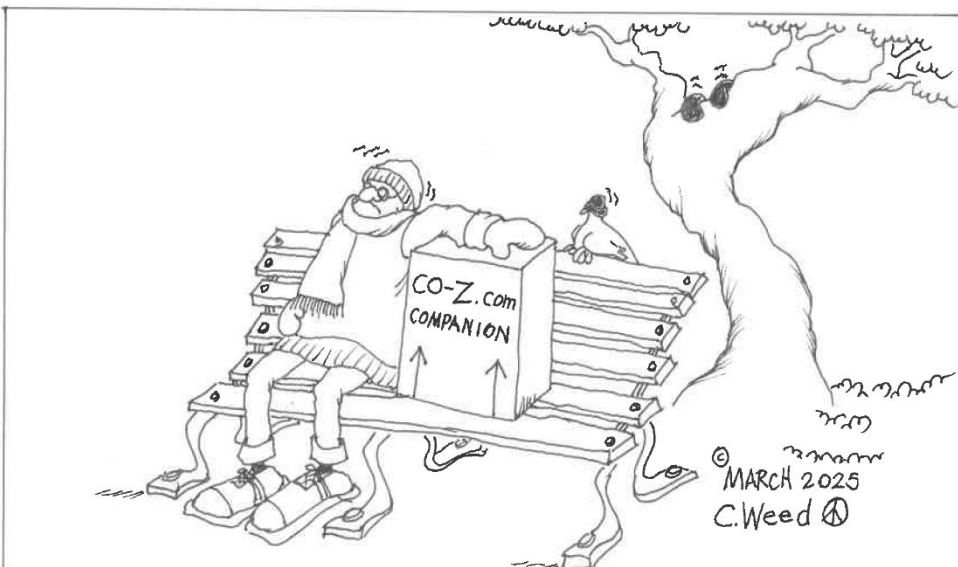
Throw your name in the "pot" to be included in the competition. Contact Patty Harrison at Lion-Patty@aol.com or 541-461-2639

Patty Harrison



Rest Stop

by C.Weed



CLAUDE THOUGHT HE'D CHOSEN A SENIOR DATING SITE, WITH HIS ONLINE SEARCH FOR A COZY COMPANION, TILL HE RECEIVED THE SPACE HEATER.

PET OF THE MONTH

Meet Ulani! This sweetheart mom has finished her job nursing her puppies, now that her puppies are off to their new homes, she's looking for her own. Ulani would make a great companion for someone willing to give time and training to their new family member. She's friendly, and loving and has been enjoying her stay in her foster home. Ulani can be very shy at first but warms up to you after some time. She LOVES other dogs and would greatly benefit from a home with another furry friend.

Jaclyn Parker
Executive Assistant
Oregon Coast Humane Society

GROUP CORNER

Join a club/group/game and meet new people who have your same interests.

Luncheon out! –This group meets monthly at various restaurants around town. They will meet on Mar 19 at noon at the Hospital Cafeteria. Contact Jude Stendahl, lot 204, at 763-792-2312 or jude.stendahl@gmail.com for any questions. All are welcome to attend! Signup sheet in the library.

Knit / Crochet Group – The group meets the first Friday of each month at the Multi-Purpose Room at 1PM. Next meeting Mar 7. All knitters and crocheters welcome! Please contact Carol Parrish for more information.

Scrapbooking / Papercrafting Group! Papercrafting / scrapbooking is back on! Next session, Mar 16 10AM–2PM in the Rec Hall. Contact Joy at jplummergeang2015@gmail.com for information or to attend.

Pickle Ball – This is a small group that meets at 8:30AM every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. They encourage anyone who wants to learn the game to come, watch, and learn. Extra paddles are available.

Quilt Group –Next meeting will be Mar 21 at 10AM. All abilities are welcome! If you would like to donate supplies, we'd love to have them. We will make easy blocks and put together quilts for the children of Florence. Please contact Diana Lindsley at 541-590-3623 for more information.

Book Club – This group usually meets at 2PM on the 4th Thursday of each month in the Multi-Purpose Room. Next meeting will be Feb. 27 at 2PM. Rather than everyone reading the same book, each month members are encouraged to bring a book that they have read or are reading. For more information, please contact Charles Lugg at 541-590-3871 or Don McGehe at 541-590-3421.

Game Night – Game night is held on Saturday evenings, from 5-9PM in the Rec Hall. Bring your favorite board games or come join in the fun, even play pool – there are several games happening. Bring some snacks to share. Contact Diane Greer at 661-706-1669 for more information.

Bunco – Bunco is held the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month in the Rec Hall. It's a quick play dice game that is easy to learn. Bring snacks to share. Contact Carol Cardwell at 775-677-0606 for more information.

Poker – A small group meets Thursdays in the Coffee Room for a friendly game of poker from 5:30–8:30PM. Buy in is \$10. For more information contact Bing Ott at 541-968-8273.

Other Groups? – If you belong to a group and would like to share your group information, please contact the office at 541-590-3003 or email gtvwebmaster57@gmail.com to get your group activities added to the Group Corner section.



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AT THE MOVIES



By Jim Negri

GENRE: DRAMA

Dirty Dancing -- 1987: Baby (Jennifer Grey) is one listless summer away from the Peace Corps. Hoping to enjoy her youth while it lasts, she's disappointed when her summer plans deposit her at a sleepy resort in the Catskills with her parents. Her luck turns around, however, when the resort's dance instructor, Johnny (Patrick Swayze), enlists Baby as his new partner, and the two fall in love. Baby's father forbids her from seeing Johnny, but she's determined to help him perform the last big dance of the summer.

Dogville -- 2004: A barren soundstage is stylishly utilized to create a minimalist small-town setting in which a mysterious woman named Grace (Nicole Kidman) hides from the criminals who pursue her. The town is two-faced and offers to harbor Grace as long as she can make it worth their effort, so Grace works hard under the employ of various townspeople to win their favor. Tensions flare, however, and Grace's status as a helpless outsider provokes vicious contempt and abuse from the citizens of Dogville.

Don't Say A Word -- 2001: Ruthless crook Patrick Koster (Sean Bean) and his partner capture young Jessie Conrad (Skye McCole Bartusiak) and hold her for an unusual ransom. Koster wants Jessie's therapist father, Nathan (Michael Douglas), to somehow coax traumatized teen Elisabeth (Brittany Murphy) into divulging a mysterious code number that will lead the criminals to a hidden jewel worth a fortune. Unfortunately, it may be impossible to convince the delusional Elisabeth to cooperate: she hasn't spoken in 10 years.

Draft Day -- 2014: Sonny Weaver Jr. is the general manager of the Cleveland Browns. One of pro football's most important days, NFL draft day, is drawing near, but Sonny has much more on his mind than just which players to recruit. His lover is pregnant, and the team's owner wants to fire him. After Sonny accepts a deal with Seattle that nets him that team's first-round pick, he immediately wonders if he has made the right choice for himself and the Browns.

Dreamer -- 2005: Ben Crane (Kurt Russell) is a horse trainer who is struggling to connect with his precocious daughter, Cale (Dakota Fanning). But then a horse by the name of Soñador suffers a broken leg after its evil owner (David Morse) races her despite Ben's advice. Rather than put his client's injured horse down, Ben adopts her and welcomes Cale into the family business. They train Soñador to race again as grouchy but kind-hearted Grandpa (Kris Kristofferson) lends his encouragement.

Eagle Eye -- 2008: Jerry Shaw (Shia LaBeouf) and Rachel Holloman (Michelle Monaghan) are two strangers whose lives are suddenly thrown into turmoil by a mysterious woman they have never met. Threatening their lives and family, the unseen caller uses everyday technology to control their actions and push them into increasing danger. As events escalate, Jerry and Rachel become the country's most-wanted fugitives and must figure out what is happening to them.

Ellen Foster -- 1997: In this TV movie set in the American South during the 1980s, 11-year-old Ellen (Jena Malone) enters a life of hardship after her mother's suicide. Fleeing her abusive father, she goes first to live with her bitter grandmother (Julie Harris) and then is shuttled to one strange household after another, always beset by new problems and difficulties but gaining strength and insight along the way. The title of the film refers to her misunderstanding the phrase "foster family." This is a TV Movie.

Eminence Hill -- 2019: Out for revenge against 12 jurors who condemned his brother to death, Royce Tullis has left a blood-stained trail of vengeance against those who gave his brother the rope.

The Emperor's Club -- 2022: Kevin Kline stars as Arthur Hundert, a dedicated and inspiring classics professor who has devoted his life to teaching at a prep school for boys. New student Sedgewick Bell, the headstrong son of a powerful senator, joins his class and inexorably alters Mr. Hundert's life. It is a clash of wills and personalities as these two people seemingly battle for the hearts and souls of the other students at St. Benedictus.

Fallen -- 2016: On Luce Price's first day at the Sword and Cross boarding school, her attention is captured by the strangely familiar Daniel Grigori. She soon discovers he is a fallen angel who has battled over her for centuries.

PUZZLES PAGE

Math Squares

Fill in the missing numbers

The missing values are the whole numbers between 1 and 9.

Each number is only used once.

Each row is a math equation.

Each column is a math equation.

Remember that multiplication and division are performed before addition and subtraction.

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Word Search—Find The Bolded Words

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Ash Wednesday

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Doctors Day

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March Equinox

Mardi Gras

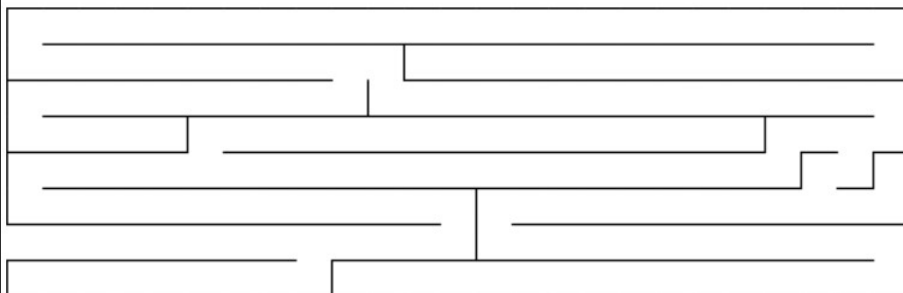
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St Patricks Day

Vietnam Veterans Day

Womens History Month

March Maze



Decode The Message—Days of March

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BEAR BENCH

A big thank you to Richard Brown on our Maintenance staff for revarnishing our Bear Bench. It looks very nice. Well done!

IMPORTANT— UPDATE THE OFFICE

If you have changed your phone number, email address, or moved, please stop by the office and update your contact and emergency information. Up-to-date information is important to have in case of an emergency. It also helps keep our GTV directory current.

Office Staff

LUNCHEON OUT!

Did you miss the February Luncheon Out? It was filled with stories and laughter—a great time for everyone. Join us in March at the Hospital Cafeteria on the third Wednesday at noon!

Jude Stendahl



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March

2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 5 PM Game night
2	3 - RECYCLE DAY 12:30 GERT Radio test 1 PM Bunco	4	5 1 PM Bridge	6 1 PM ACC 2 PM Communications Committee 4 PM Districts 4,6 & 7 5:30 Poker	7 2 PM Knit & Crochet group	8 5 PM Game night
9	10	11 10 Property Committee	12 <u>Pool Closed</u> 10 AM Finance Committee 1 PM Bridge	13 1 PM GERT 5:30 Poker	14 6 PM Karaoke Night	15 10 AM Coffee Social 2 PM Distticts 8 & 9 5 PM Game night
16 10 AM Papercrafting	17 - RECYCLE DAY 10 AM Activities 1 PM Bunco	18 1 PM Board meeting	19 12 PM Luncheon Out 1 PM Bridge	20 2 PM Districts 1 & 3 5:30 Poker	21 10 AM Quilt Group	22 5 PM Game night
23	24	25	26 1 PM Bridge 2 PM District 2	27 2 PM Book Club 5:30 Poker	28 5 PM Potluck – Clam Chowder Cook Off	29
30	31					

Event locations

Daily (weekdays):

Water Aerobics, at the Pool, 8 AM

Mon /Wed / Fri:

Pickle Ball, at the court, 8:30 AM

Tai Chi, Rec Hall, 9 AM (M/W)

Exercise Class, Rec Hall, 10 AM

Rec Hall:

Board Meeting

Bunco

Card Exchange

District Meetings

Game Night

Papercrafting Group

Potluck

Coffee Room:

Bridge Club

Poker

Senior Moments Coffee Club

Multi-Purpose Room:

Activities Committee

Ad Hoc Traffic Committee

Finance Committee

GERT

Knit & Crochet Group

Property Committee

Quilt Club

Woman's Group

Conference Room:

ACC Committee

Communications Committee

Tidbits

IMPORTANT REMINDER: The date for payment of dues without incurring late fees is the 25th of the month. Payments made on the 26th or later will incur a \$25 late fee as well as interest.

HOA Fees: Dues for 2025 are \$318 / month.

Recycling: The Activities Committee collects bottles and cans with deposits. All the funds go to the Activities Committee to offset the costs of events. There is a blue barrel in the Rec Hall to collect your donations. We thank you for your help in supporting GTV events.

New Residents are reminded they need to check in with the Office within 7 days of moving in to be registered and obtain the Welcome package.

Dumpster Use: A reminder that ONLY yard debris should be in the dumpsters. There is a fine for putting trash or plastic bags in the dumpster. Branches should be kept to under 3 inches and 3 feet long.

Directory info: Is your directory information correct –name, phone number and/or email address? The Office needs correct information in order to contact you.

Lane County Welcomes Back #1 and #2 Plastics in Mixed Recycling

Beginning June 1, 2022: #1 and #2 bottles, jars, and jugs (if larger than a tennis ball) can be recycled in curbside containers or taken to ANY Lane County transfer station! Be sure to check the shape and number.



Recycle #1 and #2 plastic bottles, jugs and plastic jars.



Not Recyclable

- NO caps, lids, or pumps
- NO butter, cottage cheese, or yogurt tubs
- NO plastic bags
- NO prescription bottles
- NO motor oil bottles or jugs
- NO plastics stamped with the numbers 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7

Recycling FAQs

Q. Why the change?

A. Since the global recycling market crisis, local material recovery facilities in the state have worked tirelessly to add additional machinery and advanced technology needed to sort and clean up the recycling stream. In the last several years, we've also seen domestic markets improve and more companies buying post-consumer resin made from recycled plastics.

Q. Do all plastics with a recycling number and symbol go in the mixed recycling? What about clamshell containers?

A. No. Clamshell containers are not allowed. Plastics #3 -7 are not allowed.

Q. What about plastic bags?

A. No. Plastic bags and plastic wrap can be recycled at participating retail stores. Visit www.plasticfilmrecycling.org for a location near you.

Q. Can I recycle pizza boxes?

A. YES! BUT...cardboard must be free of waxes or other finishes. Please remove food from box and place it with cardboard or mixed recycling.

Q. Why is contamination so bad?

A. Contamination is a big deal because it contributes to worker hazards, equipment damage, higher recycling costs, less efficiency, and lower quality. When it comes to recycling, **focus on quality, not quantity.**

Recycling questions? Scan the QR code or visit www.lanecountyor.gov/recycle.

If in doubt, *find out*, or leave it out.



Mixed Recycling



PLASTIC

NOW ACCEPTING #1 and #2 bottles, jugs & plastic jars.



METAL

Aluminum & tin.



PAPER

Egg cartons, junk mail, newspaper, paper & magazines.



CORRUGATED CARDBOARD

Cardboard boxes.

All recycling must be empty, clean & dry. Check with your garbage company. Services vary.

Glass Bottles & Jars

Set glass out separately.



NO lids,
broken glass, or
window glass.

Trash

Not accepted in mixed recycling



Plastic tubs



Plastic lids



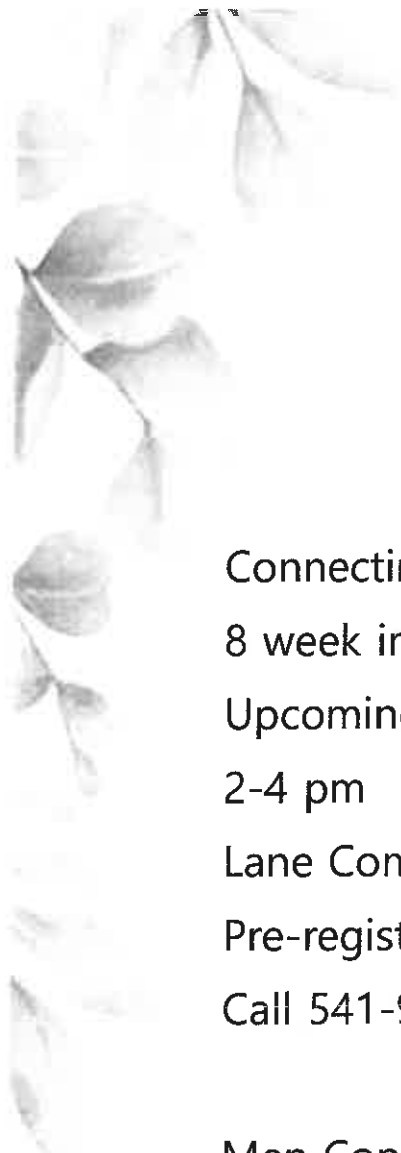
Take out containers



Diapers



Bagged materials



Peace Harbor Hospice Grief Support Group Offerings

Connecting Through Grief

8 week in person support group

Upcoming Dates: April 3-May 22nd (Group is quarterly)

2-4 pm

Lane Community College

Pre-registration is required

Call 541-997-3418 to register

Men Connecting Through Grief

Ongoing once a month grief support for men

Please join us on the first Monday of every month

1-2:30 pm

Peace Harbor 386 Building-Conference Room

Across from the Primary Care Clinic, next to
the memorial garden

Pre-registration is NOT required.

Things to consider before joining a grief group:

While everyone responds to a death experience differently, grief that is expressed and shared within a supportive environment has the power to provide hope and healing. Peace Harbor Hospice offers curriculum-based, non-religious grief group, facilitated by our Bereavement Coordinator and held four times per year. We aim to nurture groups that are reciprocal in nature so members can feel comfortable sharing their experiences around grief and loss.

We encourage individuals to be at least 60-90 days out from their loss before joining a grief group.

This is to help prevent the re-traumatization that can occur from sharing the story of the loved one's death or from hearing others' stories of grief and loss too soon.

What is the benefit of attending?

- Connection with others who have gone through a similar situation
- Association with people who will listen without judgment
- Time to focus on how the loss is affecting you
- Resources to help you cope and move through grief in community
- Personal acceptance of your grief experience
- Time to share memories of the person who died
- Understanding of common grief responses

How are grief groups structured?

- All groups are facilitated by hospice bereavement professionals and trained volunteers who help guide conversation, provide support and offer other grief and loss resources.
- Group size is limited to 8-10 participants and 2 facilitators.
- The same group members meet weekly for eight consecutive weeks. We strongly recommend that participants commit to attending all eight sessions. Materials build week-to-week, and foster continuity and connection.

How to register or ask questions: Space is limited and pre-registration is required. For further group information and/or registration please call 541-997-3418 x 5830.

MARCH 7 2-3:30PM

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