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Announcement

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Sheridan Mayor Aaron Baer Resigns

Mayor Aaron Baer announced his resignation at the April 18 meeting of the Sheridan City Council. He expects his last meeting to be the first week in May unless the council decides to hold a special session next week. He said in that case, that would be his final meeting.

Aaron explained that he was offered and accepted a promotion to a position in Junction City. He and his wife plan to move closer to the area.

City Attorney Walt Gowell outlined several options for filling the vacated mayor's seat. The Bulletin Board will publish a full council report next week.

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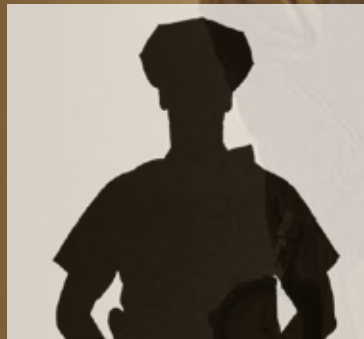
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Willamina Council Discusses Child Abuse Prevention, Habitat Conservation Plan, and Small Business Week

April Carothers

The Willamina City Council kicked off its monthly meeting by declaring April as National Child Abuse Prevention Month. Because of this, the City will work to raise awareness and promote child abuse prevention. The issue is critical because of the significant impact abuse has on children. One in four children will suffer abuse, a preventable crime.

Maya Blackmun of Juliette's House was on hand to express her appreciation for the City's support and tell the Council and others in attendance that their website has more information.

"The best way to keep children safe is to raise awareness and create community connection. Each of us has a social and moral responsibility to act if we see abuse: if you believe a child is in danger of being hurt, call 911 immediately. Another number to call can be found on Yamhill County's Health and Human Services webpage, "Reporting Abuse and Neglect": 1-855-503-SAFE (7233). DHS-Child Welfare is responsible for investigating such reports. For Polk County, the number is 715-485-8400, found on Polk County's Child Protective Services webpage," said Maya.

A campaign to wear blue on Fridays throughout April hopes to show support for preventing and reporting child abuse.

Hampton Lumber's Laura Wilkeson presented an update to the Council on the current Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP).

"For some background, on Oct. 30, 2021, the Governor's Office announced, '[N]early ten months of negotiations between private forestry representatives, small forestland owners, conservation leaders, and fishing organizations have resulted in a historic proposal for new protections for sensitive species on over 10 million acres of forestland in Ore-

gon.' The proposal seeks to meet the federal standards for a statewide Habitat Conservation Plan," added Laura.

The idea is to find the best compromise for all parties.

In Oregon, ODF manages 745,000 acres of forestland in 15 counties. The State must consider these lands' environmental, social, and economic values, working toward the Greatest Permanent Value or GPV. The HCP is a voluntary agreement to protect wildlife species and ecosystems while keeping in mind the concerns of landowners.

The current HCP was developed without sufficient socio-economic analysis, according to the presentation. In other words, there are concerns about the fairness and effectiveness of the current HCP. Hampton Lumber believes that more time and analysis are needed to get this right. They feel that something this important should never be done in haste. Until May 17, anyone who wants to learn more or to express their concerns can go to the NOAA Fisheries website page, "Western Oregon State Forests Habitat Conservation Plan," URL: <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/action/western-oregon-state-forests-habitat-conservation-plan>

Another important topic was that National Small Business Week is coming up in May. According to the Small Business Administration (SBA), the U.S. depends on the resilience of small businesses, which make up 99.9% of all businesses in this country and employs almost half of all workers. They believe that when small businesses are supported, jobs are created. The City supports small businesses. Skyberg Lumber and Hardware, represented on the City Council, is one example of many fine small companies in Willamina.

The Council reminded all present

that the City of Willamina always provides opportunities for the public to comment on any ongoing or future projects. In addition, the City publishes notices of these meetings in advance. "Don't hesitate to stop by City Hall for more information when in doubt," a spokesperson for the City added.

Finally, the Bulletin Board extends congratulations to City Manager Kenna West on her appointment to the 2022 League of Oregon Cities (LOC) Board of Directors. She will act as a directors, which is an honor for her and an opportunity to represent the City of Willamina. West has demonstrated skills in networking and building and maintaining relationships that help strengthen the community and create opportunities that may not otherwise exist.

West Valley Fire Board Meeting Planned April 28

The West Valley Fire Board will meet at 6 p.m. on Thursday, April 28, at the West Valley Fire Station, 825 NE Main Street, Willamina. The WVFD normally meets monthly on the third Thursday. However, due to schedule conflicts in April, they will meet on the fourth Thursday this month. Agendas with additional information can be found at kiosks, the front doorway, etc., and will be posted on the WVFD website at least 72 hours before the meeting. For further information email Bridget Meneley at meneleyb@ci.willamina.or.us or call 503-876-2242.

Free Community Shred Day Set in Grand Ronde

Grand Ronde Recycling Depot will hold a free community shred drive-through event from noon-1 p.m. on Monday, April 25, at the recycling depot near tribal housing. Materials to be shredded must be free of binder and paper clips.

WHAT'S UP IN WILLAMINA

by mary jane

I haven't actually looked in the dictionary, but are there some words missing that used to be in there and were often used? There are two phrases of two words each that I can think of. Haven't heard either of them in a long, long time.....except for us older folks.

The phrases are "excuse me" and "thank you."

It seems like the mid-generation takes life for granted and thinks everything is owed to them, especially when walking down the street or in a store. I just don't think they've worked long enough or maybe even hard enough to feel that way.

Everything goes along so much smoother and a whole lot more pleasantly when you put some other folks first. Being old fashioned polite is "What's Up in Willamina."

Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts Extend Invitation to Join

Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts meet at 7 p.m. on Mondays at Sheridan AIIPrep Academy, 339 NW Sherman Street (former location of the Open Door Church). Both troops would like to invite all kids interested in becoming Scouts to attend a meeting to learn more. Scouts can open the door to new adventures and activities for youths.

For further information call Dan Caldwell at 971-237-6469.

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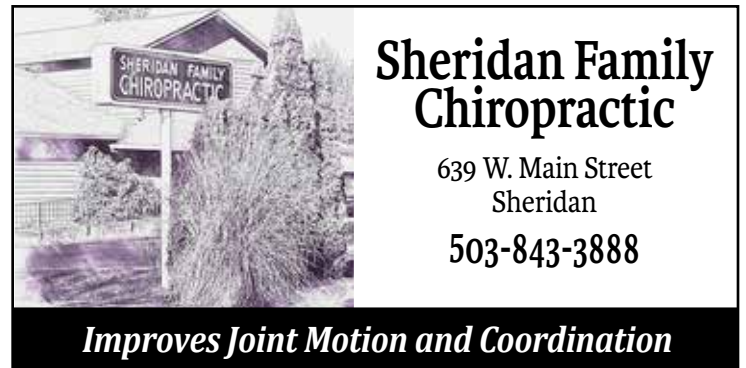
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SATURDAY • MAY 7 • 9 AM-1 PM

Volunteer Clean-Up Schedule to Pick Up Litter Off City Streets

8:30 am: Check in at Sheridan High School parking lot to receive map assignments and supplies. Feel free to bring your own work gloves.

Noon: **FREE LUNCH** from 11:30 am-12:30 pm for participants provided by Sheridan Rotary at Sheridan High School

The City of Sheridan will open a drop-off site for items listed below at the City Sewer Plant, 957 SE Sheridan Rd.

Curbside pickup available for those who need assistance. Items must be curbside by 5am on May 6. Call City Hall by 4 p.m. on Thursday, May 5, to make arrangements.

Accepted Items:

(Water bill must be shown to prove residency.)

- Yard clippings
- Furniture
- Household batteries
- Fluorescent light bulbs
- Paint
- Cardboard
- Glass
- Televisions & computers
- Tires without rims
- Motor oil in sealed plastic containers
- Washers
- AC units
- Freezers
- Refrigerators
- Microwaves
- Electric motors
- Lawn mowers
- Car parts
- Car batteries
- Aluminum
- Copper
- Brass
- Lead
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- Christmas lights

Items NOT Accepted:

- Medical Waste
- Ammunition or Explosives
- Any Hazardous Items
- Construction or Demolition Debris (Can take to Orchard Ave., McMinnville)

Sharps & Pharmacy:
a volunteer will be stationed at city hall for sharps and pharmacy drop-off

Questions? Call
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Sheridan's community clean-up event was made possible by the following sponsors: Recology, City of Sheridan, Delphian School, Sheridan High School, Sheridan Chamber of Commerce, Sheridan Rotary Club and Sheridan Revitalization Movement

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Spacious 2-story 2-bath home with 1762sf of living space, large balcony, gas fireplace & plants in large spaces! Master on the main and gas fire places in the living room, kitchen with a pantry, newer appliances, breakfast bar, and eating area to the covered back deck. Front covered deck, landscaped, fire pit, 2 car finished garage, metal roof, fenced yard. & located on a cul-de-sac. \$345,000.

NEW LISTINGS WANTED



Baptist Church Easter Egg Hunt Brought Smiles for Miles



A Message from the Sheridan Superintendent

Dear Sheridan Families,

This is a busy time of year with the Budget Committee and Bond Committee.

The Budget Committee is made up of five committee members and the Sheridan School Board. All meetings are open to the public. Our first meeting is Thursday, April 28, in the district office board room.

During this meeting we will review the current fiscal year, the use of our ESSER funds, and how our budget aligns with district goals. Over the course of several meetings, the Budget Committee will provide the necessary feedback to refine and adjust the proposed budget for the 2022-23 school year. The proposed budget will be presented to the Sheridan School Board for approval during the June board meeting.

The Bond Committee meets twice monthly on Monday at 6:00 PM, SHS cafeteria. These meetings are also open to the public. At this time the Bond Committee has a general list of projects based on committee feedback and the Long Range Facilities Plan. The next meeting will be a review of approximate costs and starting to prioritize the project list.

At a recent training I learned about the impact of current construction costs and the delays of receiving materials, some up to a year. It was highly recommended to take into consideration the escalated costs when planning the budget for the bond levy. Right now our list includes improved security entrances to both schools and renovating both old gymnasiums. Our next meeting will be Monday, April 25.

Community input is a critical part of both committees. Please plan to attend one or both committees. If you are unable to attend but would like to offer your thoughts, please contact me directly.

A clarification from a previous article: The SHS gym score table was purchased through several large donations, including Hampton Lumber, Forest River, and many others. A big thank you of appreciation to Coach Steven Grauer and Jerry James, and the Sheridan Basketball Program for their time to gather donations and make the purchase possible. It is a great addition to our sporting events!



Dorie Vikery Ed. D,
Superintendent
Sheridan School District

School District Office: 971-261-6959
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Faulconer Chapman School: 971-261-6960

Obituary

Margaret Helen Hicks

Dec. 30, 1929 - April 13, 2022

Margaret Helen Bella was born on Dec. 30, 1929, in Melville, Saskatchewan, Canada, to Rosa and Gaza Bella. She was born in a two-room cabin, the oldest of six siblings.

Margaret met David Roy Cruickshank in Melville, Saskatchewan, at the age of 19. David moved to California in 1949, and Margaret followed a couple of months later.

After getting married in 1949, the couple moved to Westminster, Calif., and started their family. They had four children: Leslie, Roy, Darlene, and Jeannette. Margaret worked as a nurse's aide in the St. Mary's Hospital in Long Beach, Calif. In 1970 the family moved to Willamina, and Margaret started working at the Sheridan Care Center.

She lost her husband, David, the following year to a massive heart attack.

She later met Robert Hicks in 1977, and they married the same year.

Margaret retired from Sheridan



Care Center at age 72. She was a hard worker all of her life.

Margaret is a grandmother to many and had a special place in her heart for her great-granddaughter Aubree.

Margaret passed away at age 92 at home with her loved ones by her side on Apr. 13, 2022.

No services are planned at this time. Private interment will be held at Buck Hollow Cemetery in Willamina.

West Valley Funeral Home in Sheridan assisted the family with arrangements.

Memorials



Preston Hill

A memorial service for longtime Willamina resident Preston Hill will begin at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 30, at the VFW, 771 NE Main Street in Willamina.

The service is open to the community.



Walt Aalto

A memorial service of celebration and thanksgiving will be held for Walt Aalto at 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 14, at Co-op Ministries, 544 NE 2nd Street in McMinnville. The church is located on a city block between 1st and 2nd streets; and Evans to Ford. Guests are asked to use the west entrance on Evans Street across from Macy's funeral home. Parking is available.

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Iskam MəkhMəkh-Haws is a partnership between the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and Marion Polk Food Share, created to meet emergency food needs in the community.

Volunteers are welcome at Iskam MəkhMəkh-Haws. Contact Francene Ambrose at FAmbrose@marionpolkfoodshare.org for further information.



Zeek Linn, left, at West Valley Mercantile, enjoys sharing a "peep" at the cute little chick he is holding in his hand with a tiny customer and a big dog who visited the store a couple of days before Easter. The Mercantile sells chicks and feed at the store, along with a variety of other animal feed. (Photo courtesy of Lecia Myers.)



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Sheridan Fire Chief Paints Financial

By Staci Coker

Sheridan Fire District held a town hall meeting on April 12 to discuss Measure 36-211, the replacement local option levy to be on this May's ballot.

"Our apology is based on the simple premise that in the past, our organization, no matter who was here or who was in charge, did not do a good job with communication and being transparent with the public. I now own that, and I will do a better job at every turn that I can, sharing information and being transparent about our organization and what we want to accomplish," said Fire Chief Les Thomas to start the discussion.

He continued, "I can't do this alone, we have an outstanding group of people, and I want everyone to know transparency, truth, accountability, and physical responsibility are our concerns. 'Others before self' is one of our mottos, and 'do the right thing' is another. If we stick to this, we can serve our community better."

Since 2003, Sheridan Fire District (SFD) has operated on the same levy. Operating costs continue to increase while SFD has tried to maintain operations with the same tax revenue.

In 1995 the state of Oregon decided the SFD base tax rate would be \$1.11 per \$1,000 of assessed property value. In 2003 the voters approved the local option levy, which added 35¢ per \$1,000, which created the tax rate still paid today of \$1.46 per \$1,000.

This June 30, the local option levy expires.

A subcommittee of the Sheridan Fire District Board was formed to review the current operational costs and propose a replacement levy cost that would meet the community's needs and enhance services.

The subcommittee proposed the replacement levy be 88¢ per \$1,000, an increase of 53¢ from

the levy set to expire. As a result, the total will cost \$1.99 per \$1,000 of assessed value.

Chief Thomas explained, "A yes vote on Measure 36-211 will replace the expiring levy; it will staff a second ambulance 24 hours per day to meet the increased demand for service and replace expiring personal protective equipment."

"It will also increase the essential operational revenue that will allow continuous services, and I want to expand on that by offering better. We want to offer more, as much as feasible. "This would keep our insurance service rating at a four. We are three points away from a rate of three. If the levy fails, our rate could potentially drop to a five. If that happens, insurance rates could potentially cost two times as much as the levy would have cost. It is not a scare tactic; it is the truth. The potential is there. We don't control insurance organizations, so we don't know the rates, but I want the public to be aware of it."

To explain what will happen if the levy fails, the chief said, "A no vote would not renew the levy, and the current 35¢ per \$1,000 would end, leaving us with \$1.11. As a result, operational funds would be reduced by approximately 31.5%. We would have one ambulance in service, and wait times for a trained responder would increase. In addition, the personal protective equipment will not get replaced, which would limit entry into fires and other situations based on available equipment."

SFD staff prepared graphs and other documents to describe and provide examples of how inflation has affected fire districts from the year 2000 through 2020.

Chief Thomas, for an example, used personal protective equipment for firefighters, both structural and wildland, which is



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required in our area for all volunteer and career firefighters. Without the proper gear, firefighters can not engage or enter a structural fire.

In 2000, a structural suit consisting of a helmet, uniform, bunker coat, breathing apparatuses, everything including the belt and boots, cost the district \$5,080 per person. In 2022, the same outfit ran \$12,590, increasing by \$7,510.

Wildland suits in 2000 ran the district \$1,905. By 2022 the cost increased to \$5,467, a difference of \$3,562. For each volunteer and career firefighter, the required gear has gone up by \$11,072.

Chief Thomas noted, "When we talk about replacement PPE, this is what we mean. In 2000 we could have purchased a lot more equipment than we can now. So we have to be very careful how we spend the community's money," said Thomas.

The chief said that uniforms are not the only item needed by the district.

Documents produced by SFD staff showed that in 2000, the district could purchase a brush truck for \$65,000 to upwards of \$110,000. In 2022 the same truck starts at \$102,000 and runs upwards of \$300,000.

A standard fire truck in 2000 was \$285,000 to \$455,000. In 2022 the same truck will run anywhere from \$605,000 to \$955,000.

"These numbers are from service organizations and manufacturers. We reached out to get these numbers; these are real," said Thomas.

"This is just the tip of the iceberg for costs. A monitor for an ambulance is \$38,000; the stretcher system is around \$58,000. Without anything in it, the ambulance itself is \$265,000 to \$285,000.

"Our board, being responsible, was able to save funds to purchase our new ambulance. That

is how our district has zero debt. But, we don't take it for granted. If we have the opportunity to move forward with this levy and there is a yes vote, rest assured your money will be treated appropriately and correctly and used for the greatest advantage for our community."

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The newly elected officials will be sworn in at the first council meeting held in January of 2023. Potential candidates may wish to attend Council meetings throughout the year to be well-informed about the issues facing the city.

According to Willamina's City Charter, to be considered for mayor or council positions, candidates must have resided within Willamina's city limits for at least one year preceding the election and must be qualified voters in the state of Oregon.

It's hard to explain puns to kleptomaniacs because they always take things literally.

Gallery Theater to Stage Musical

The Gallery Theater will present The Sound of Music at 7:30 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and 2 p.m. on Sundays, from April 29 through May 22 at the Gallery Theater, 210 NE Third Street in McMinnville.

The tickets will cost \$16 for students (ages 5-17) and seniors (age 62 and older). Cost for adults ages 18-61 will be \$20.

The Sound of Music, the final collaboration between Rodgers and Hammerstein, was destined to become one of the world's most beloved musicals. Featuring a trove of cherished songs, including "Climb Ev'ry Mountain," "My Favorite Things," "Do Re Mi," "Sixteen Going on Seventeen," and the title number, "The Sound of Music." The play is an inspirational story based on the memoir of Maria Augusta Trapp. It follows the ebullient postulate who

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Contributed by a Bulletin Board Guest Writer

I'm 18, in beauty college, and ushering at the Elsinore. I have a couple of hours between school and the Elsinore. The person I'm seeing knows I make the best fried chicken he's ever tasted, so he asked me if I would fix it with some corn on the cob. (That's all I've ever seen him eat.)

I agreed to meet him at his buddy's apartment, thinking we would visit while I cooked. We'll eat and then off to the theater I will go.

Well, the dinner finished cooking, and he hadn't arrived. So I looked outside to see if he was on his way. As I looked down the street, I saw this quaint old house; all painted up in bright colors with lights on all the windows, plus many cars. It must be a tavern, and it must be happy hour. Of course, I couldn't go in because I am not old enough. But I bet he's in there. So I take his plate of fried chicken and corn and walk inside. It's two steps from the door into the bar. I see him at the end of this long bar, every stool full. He's standing at the waitress station, where she picks up her drinks. I've been told that's where guys stand if the waitress is their interest. So I take the two steps in, place his plate of chicken and corn on the bar, and send it flying to the end where he is standing. I turn and leave because I'm underage.

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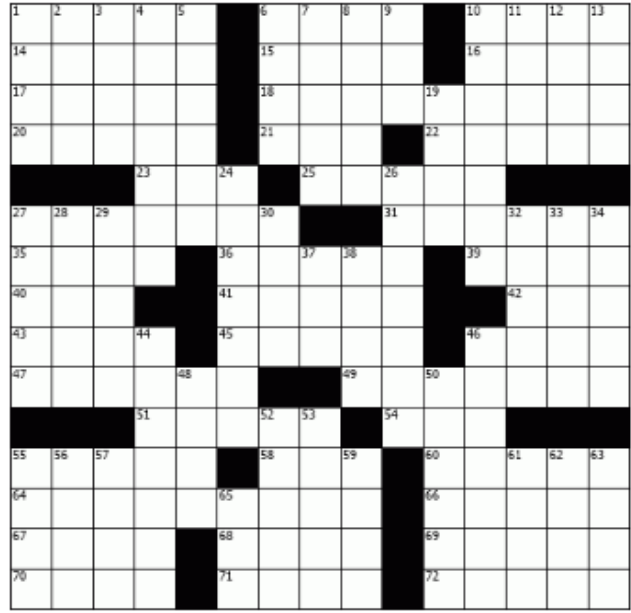
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 - End
 - Eiffel Tower locale
 - Compass reading (abbr.)
 - Shoppers' delights
 - Male sheep
 - Plus
 - Restoration
 - Rented
 - Parched
 - Norwegian
 - Economize
 - Medic
 - Bangor's state
 - Summer shirt
 - Citrus drinks
 - Confess
 - ____ over matter
 - Peruse again
 - Renters
 - Upright
 - Christmas mo.
 - Insulting
 - Breathable stuff
 - Rely on
 - Tiny
 - Slender candle
 - "____ upon a time..."
 - Avails oneself of
 - Ham it up
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 - Experiment
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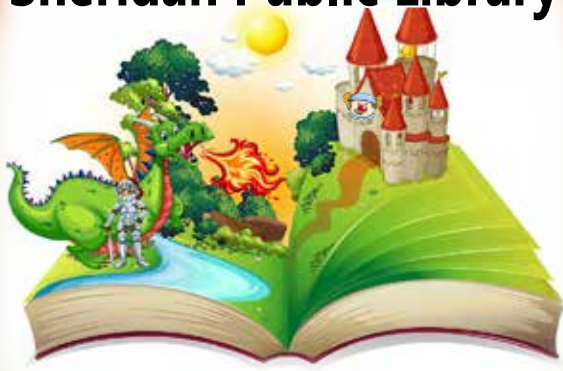


- Down**
- Right away (abbr.)
 - Band instrument
 - Pinocchio, e.g.
 - Dressed
 - Teeter-totter
 - Palm fruit
 - Fight site
 - Fathers
 - Bad actor
 - Festive candy containers
 - Voiced
 - Not punctual
 - Washington bills
 - Got it! (2 wds.)
 - Produced by humans (hyph.)
 - Rained ice
 - Speed checker
 - Wear away
 - Kinder
 - Cargo
 - Glossy fabric
 - Happening
 - Property documents
 - Edge
 - Fit of anger
 - Sleazier
 - Yarn craft
 - Site
 - Caught
 - Bring about
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Sheridan Grade School Pupils Broadcast Program Saturday

"The thrill that comes once in a lifetime," happened Saturday afternoon to several grade school children and to their parents as well, when the 7th and 8th grades were given the opportunity to broadcast over the radio for the first time, and the parents to listen to their boys and girls. Almost every radio in town was tuned to KOAC at Corvallis at 3:30 p.m. The program came in fine was splendid. It was a rare opportunity and the boys and girls rose to it like old-timers. Broadcasting is an education and then there is a chance to see how

Bird House Contest Grows in Popularity

Bird houses big and bird houses little were on display in the windows of Ivie Hardware store over the weekend. Each spring when the birds are house hunting the Civic Improvement Club sponsors a building contest on their behalf and brings out some very clever architecture done by the children of the community.

This year's contest was bigger and better than ever, and Sheridan's birds may well "high hat" their neighbors who have to build for themselves, and whose efforts evolve nothing more pretentious than just a nest.

The little homes were modern to the last degree and needed only the check in advance for turning on the power and water.

This is a very creditable enterprise for the Civic Improvement Club to sponsor and Sheridan homemaker can well afford room for the feathered folk who come each year to gladden hearts with their songs.

Prize winners in this contest will be found in the grade school notes.

Quarrel Settled Before Council Tuesday Night

A complaint by A.D. Bronson before the city council Tuesday night that J.J. Thompson was maintaining a nuisance near his property resulted in the counter charge that Bronson had placed his building over on Thompson's property some nine inches. Bronson admitted that his building might be over too far and offered to move it back. Thompson stated that he would abate the nuisance complained of.

it is done. Saturday was one of the very nicest days this spring and the drive to Corvallis and back was in itself an outing well worthwhile.

The following was the program: Song, 7th and 8th grade chorus "My Grandfather's Clock."

Piano solo, Lily Schatz, "Narcissus," by Nevin.

Solo, Virginia Hillway, "Just an Echo in the Valley."

Harmonica numbers, Jon Merrifield, "When the Works All Done this Fall" and "She'll Be Coming Around the Mountain."

Piano solo, Miss Frances Frizzell, Prelude in C Sharp Minor, Rachmaninoff.

Song, 7th and 8th grade choir, "Old Man of the Mountain."

Transportation was furnished by Miss Frizzell, Mr. Merrifield, Mr. McKinley, Mr. Atwood and Mr. Gross.

Mrs. Mayfield, Miss Higgins and Mrs. Guy Bradley accompanied the arty and all report a good time, and that they'd like to go again.

Miss Frizzell, as musical director in the grade school, had ac-

Gas Thieves Surprised In Act of Stealing

Gasoline thieves, who sneak out in the night and drain county road equipment, received a surprise Monday night near Newberg when officers seized four of their ilk and slammed them into the county jail.

Tuesday, when arraigned before Justice Olds, Harold Starnes, W.H. Matherly, Everette Elroy and William Elroy pleaded guilty and were fined \$10 each, which they are serving out in jail.

All of the men gave Newberg addresses, although the two Elroys admitted they were recently from North Carolina. Everette Elroy, who gave his age as 33, told officers that he was the father of William, aged 20.

Midget Readers Have Jig-Saw Party

The Midget Readers Club in the fifth grade, held a party at the home of Russell Sackett Wednesday evening, April 5.

The evening was spent working puzzles. Refreshments were served consisting of Jello and whipped cream cake and punch.

Sheriff Says Wild Parties Must Cease

Wild parties lasting into the wee hours of the next morning must cease, says Sheriff George Manning, or somebody is going to land in jail. The dander on the sheriff's scalp was ruffled last week when reports began coming in about three all-night celebrations in the McMinnville district.

Weird stories were related about persons running around in private homes half-clothed; also about a prominent young McMinnvillite who prankishly poked his head into a tree fork and nearly choked before being rescued.

Not to be outdone by lack of a law covering consumption of liquor, the sheriff has contacted the members of the elite and informed them that the next party would be continued in the county jail if he was given a chance to be present, and there are still laws against disorderly conduct. "And," said the sheriff, "I hope the next door neighbors give me an invitation."

Three Plead Guilty To Potato Stealing

Potato stealing brought about the arrest by state police late last week of Frank Atkinson, 21, Otto Huffman, 25, and Hugh Lester Adams, 25, all of Newberg. They were arraigned before Judge Walker Saturday and plead guilty. Atkinson, alleged leader, was given a 30 days jail sentence. Huffman was fined \$50 which he is serving out, and Adams was given a suspended six month sentence. Officers said the men had been pilfering farms around Newberg for some time.

Boys are Released on Gasoline Theft Charges

Melvin Van Osdel and Walter Matusch, who were arrested last week, charged with taking gasoline from a truck near Buell, were released Tuesday afternoon. It is reported that the case was dropped for lack of evidence.

The Sun regrets that in the report of our last week, Dale instead of Melvin was put in. Dale was not concerned in the matter.

"When a Feller Needs a Friend"

A Comedy In Three Acts

Given under auspices of Sheridan Lodge No. 82 I. O. O. F. by Past Grands Club of Ballston at the

Sheridan Legion Hall Friday, April 7

CURTAIN AT 8:15 p.m.

Every character an Odd Fellow or Rebekah

Music by Willamina-Butler
Junior Band

Adults 25c Children 15c

Legion Riders Plan Hometown Days Poker Run, Bike Show, Games



The American Legion Riders will host its annual poker run during Hometown Days in Sheridan on June 18 beginning in the Sheridan High School parking lot. The first bike will take off at 8 a.m.; the last at 10 a.m. The cost is \$15 per hand with additional hands for the same rider priced at \$5 each. The Sheridan American Legion Post 75 invites everyone to start Hometown Days with a hearty

breakfast beginning at 7 a.m. at Post 75, 125 N. Bridge Street. The Legion Riders will also host a bike show and games at the high school for Hometown Days. The Hometown Days Grand Parade will begin at 1 p.m. from Falconer-Chapman School. The bikes will lead the parade. All planning to ride in the parade are asked to be at the school at least 15 minutes early to enable the parade to start on time.



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Breakfast is Served.

Sheridan Chamber of Commerce Continental Breakfast

8-9:15 am • Friday • April 22 at the
Sheridan Museum of History
142 S. Bridge • Sheridan

All Chamber members and potential Chamber members are invited to join this fun group of business owners, managers, and citizens who want to strengthen our business community by building relationships and working together.

Bring your business card to drop in the box for a chance to win a fun prize!

Breakfast sponsored by The Sheridan Museum of History



Come build your dream home or put a manufactured home. Beautiful views of the valley, hills. Grand Ronde Community water is available for \$3800, \$1000 has already been paid by seller. Road is in and there are two carports. River Frontage no water rights. Buyers to do their own due diligence. Willamina \$245,000.



Beautiful area to build your dream home. Perrydale water, two wells, seasonal creek, shop is around 50x36, manufactured home no value, no value on old barn, some fencing for animals. Could plant filberts, grapes or Christmas trees, etc. Apple trees, oak trees and some fir trees on property. Sheridan.

Well maintained home on 2.3 acres. Beautiful park like settings. Won't last long. Located minutes from the casino and 30 minutes from Lincoln City. Ramp & accessibility to 3rd bedroom. 5 bay shop & 8x12 shed insulated & has a light. Concord/green grapes, blackberries, and raspberries. Sprinkler system in flower beds & green house.



Semi-secluded with shop. Come build your dream home/ manufactured home okay with county. PGE, NW Natural and phone are to the property. Perc testing done standard septic approved. Seller to install 1500gal holding tank. Grand Ronde \$235,000.



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