



# Pet Tips'n'Tales

by Mary Ellen "Angel Scribe"

After Courtney's dog, Duke, passed she realized that a dog-less life was dull and lonely. So she seriously began seeking another to love. She spotted some Springer Spaniel puppies online and the trip to "just take a look" was the start of an adventure.

"Puppies are a lot of work," said Courtney, "and I was looking for a dog with the stamina and energy to keep up while trail riding my horse. Springers are active, intelligent, and have a high prey drive, but bored they can be destructive. The information indicated that a Springer wasn't the right dog for me, but I still kept my appointment to 'meet' the puppies. Who knows, maybe there was the one chance that one of the puppies was like me - one who doesn't follow all the rules."

Courtney saw 13 sleeping puppies nestled in a small plastic child's pool. She was hooked looking at the captivating ocean of furry cuteness! She watched the stirring puppies and the one with an "adorable Mohawk-like hair style" chose her.

"On our 'RIDE' home," said Courtney, "I was thinking that the puppy would be my trail 'RIDING' partner, so I named him Ryder."

Ryder is smart, loves walks, and being in the barn with me. He fast learned the horse's boundaries.

He is a wonderful addition to our family, elevates our spirits, loves road trips, trail

rides, and running on the coastal beaches. He's seen more waterfalls than most people, which includes the ten at Silver Falls. His face lights up as he runs beside the horses and, like the energizer bunny, he just wants to keep going and exploring.

As active as he is, he loves, and I mean loves, watching TV! He climbs onto the couch, cuddles with me, and stares at the TV.

One of Ryder's favorite games is chasing our overweight cat, Zeus's, laser pointer. I bought the laser for Zeus's exercise, but when Ryder sees the light he gets so excited. He wags his tail so fast that I'm afraid he is going to sprain it! He would chase the laser for hours if he could, and I had the time.

When I turn off the laser, I have to hide it. He, in turn, searches the house for hours to retrieve it for 'us' to play again.

Ryder enjoys playing fetch but is more excited when Zeus joins in. The inseparable friends are a joy to watch.

One of Ryder's adorable 'odd dog' behaviors is that he loves carrying a toy on walks. The entire time he won't let go of it. The toy appears to give him confidence and the times he forgets it at home he seems lost.

I love Ryder, but must confess about his annoying behavior of constantly blocking the doorway. I'm not talking about blocking the doorway when you are inside the house. He blocks the doorway when you're outside trying to get in!

He isn't dumb, he has this all figured out. When you attempt to open the door, he lays where it opens, and places his foot like a 'doggy door stop' preventing it from opening!

Neither the door or Ryder will budge! He won't move, not even for food. It is his way of punishing me for not taking him out to the trash can when it's pouring rain! The longest he's locked me out of my own house is 15 minutes -- so far! I bet he tells the dogs on our walks about his 'trick'. They must think he has the funniest 'scents' of K9 humor!"

#### TIPS

"Adopting a puppy is a huge responsibility," said Courtney. "The training and love that you invest in them is outrageous, but absolutely worth it."

We made the decision to crate train Ryder for two reasons: it gives them a 'safe' spot and is also a safe way for the dog to travel on road trips. I wouldn't trade Ryder for anything in the world."

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Courtney shows off Ryder, and Ryder shows off his favorite reindeer toy, Prancer. Life is full of surprises, especially when you have a dog you never planned on adopting!



The city of Cottage Grove erected a banner to recognize Child Abuse Prevention Month. Blue ribbons and pinwheels also dot the town with residents encouraged to visit 90by30.com to help prevent child abuse and fund programs aimed at giving children a head start.

## Health Continued from A1

who provide an array of outpatient mental health services for more than 2,600 children and adults a year through programs for families, children, and adults — those with persistent mental illness as well as those who just need someone to talk to.

South Lane Mental Health was established in 1988 by a group of First Presbyterian Church parishioners committed

to ensuring local availability of services for residents with mental health challenges. The organization's mission is to restore hope and renew lives through compassionate mental health services, support, and advocacy. A guiding principal is to ensure mental health services to anyone who asks for help, regardless of their insurance or financial status.

## Boone joins league of cities

Cottage Grove City Councilor Jake Boone has been appointed to a new position. The councilman will now represent Cottage Grove at the Oregon League of Cities on its board of directors.

Boone has a history of public service having served on the commission as well as Lane Regional Air Protection Agency, the Cottage Grove Community Development

Corporation, the Lane Area Commission on Transportation, and the League's General Government and Finance and Taxation policy committees.

The Oregon League of Cities advocates for municipalities throughout the state concerning legislation at the state level. Cottage Grove is a member of the league.

Boone's term will expire in December of 2017.

## NEWS OUTSIDE THE GROVE

### LORANE

Everyone is welcome to enjoy the Annual Grandparents Tea at Applegate Elementary tomorrow, April 20 at 1 pm. It is always a fun event.

That same evening, the CAL School Board meets in Applegate Elementary at 7 pm after executive session.

Come out this Saturday, April 22 to Lorane Rebekah Lodge for a rummage sale from 10 am to 2 pm. Enjoy a delicious quarter a dip luncheon from 12 to 1:30 pm.

Lorane Grange will serve scalloped potatoes and ham with salad and dessert at their dinner and bingo evening on Saturday, April 29. All the fun begins at 5:30 pm. Bingo starts at 6:30 pm. The price is still the same; \$6 for adults and \$3 for children eight and under for dinner.

### DRAIN

Art and Gardens Everywhere will be held on April 22 and 23 in downtown. The event will feature a juried art show, music, beer garden and craft demos. Volunteers are still needed.

Art pockets are back according to DIVA, after slowing this winter. The organization will be collecting books this weekend to dedicate the spaces and provide books for local kids. If you find the flower art pocket, the group invites you to take a photo in the cut-out and send it to [divaindrain@gmail.com](mailto:divaindrain@gmail.com)

DIVA is working on creating a reading room in the garden to offset the loss of the public library. To help with donations, contact DIVA at [divaindrain@gmail.com](mailto:divaindrain@gmail.com)

# Worship Directory

WORSHIP WITH US

**DRAIN:**  
**Gateway Family Fellowship**  
Church of the Nazarene  
337 "C" St. Drain, OR  
Sunday School 9:30am  
Worship 10:45am  
Living Hope Free Lunch  
Wed. at 12:30pm  
541-836-7051 [www.drainnaz.org](http://www.drainnaz.org)

**HOPE U.M.C.**  
131 W "A" St. Drain, OR  
541-315-1617  
Pastor: Lura Kidner-Miesen  
Fellowship & Song: 11:30am  
Potluck Lunch: 12:00pm  
Worship: 12:30pm

**COTTAGE GROVE:**  
**6th & Gibbs Church of Christ**  
195 N. 6th St. • 541-942-3822  
Pastor: Aaron Earlywine  
Youth & Families Pastor: Seth Bailey  
Services: 9am and 10:30am  
Christian Education  
Nursery for pre-k - 3rd Grade  
[www.6thandgibbs.com](http://www.6thandgibbs.com)

**Calvary Baptist Church**  
77873 S 6th St • 541-942-4290  
Pastor: Riley Hendricks  
Sunday School: 9:45am  
Worship: 11:00am  
The Journey: Sunday 5:00pm  
Praying Thru Life: Wednesday 6:00pm

**Calvary Chapel Cottage Grove**  
1447 Hwy 99 (Village Plaza)  
541-942-6842  
Pastor: Jeff Smith  
Two Services on Sun: 9am & 10:45am  
Youth Group Bible Study  
Child Care 10:45am Service Only  
[www.cgcalvary.org](http://www.cgcalvary.org)

**Center for Spiritual Living**  
Cottage Grove  
700 Gibbs Ave. (Community Center)  
Rev. Bobby Lee  
Meets Sunday 3:00 p.m.  
[cslcottagegrove@gmail.com](mailto:cslcottagegrove@gmail.com)

**Church of Christ**  
420 Monroe St • 541-942-8565  
Sunday Service: 10:30am

**Cottage Grove Bible Church**  
1200 East Quincy Avenue  
541-942-4771  
Pastor: Bob Singer  
Worship 11am  
Sunday School: 9:45am  
AWANA age 3-8th Grade,  
Wednesdays Sept-May, 6:30pm  
[www.cgbible.org](http://www.cgbible.org)

**Cottage Grove Faith Center**  
33761 Row River Rd. • 541-942-4851  
Lead Pastor: Kevin Pruett  
[www.cg4.tv](http://www.cg4.tv)  
Full Children's Ministry available  
Two Services 9am & 11am

**Covered Bridge Nazarene Church**  
152 S. M St.  
541-942-4422  
Pastor: Cindy Slaymaker  
Sunday School: 9:30am  
Worship 10:30am

**Delight Valley**  
Church of Christ  
33087 Saginaw Rd. East  
541-942-7711  
Pastor: Bob Friend  
Two Services:  
9am - Classic in the Chapel  
10:30am - Contemporary in the Auditorium

**First Presbyterian Church**  
3rd and Adams St • 541-942-4479  
Pastor: Karen Hill  
Worship: 10:00am  
Sunday School: 10:00am  
[www.cgpresbynews.com](http://www.cgpresbynews.com)

**Hope Fellowship**  
United Pentecostal Church  
100 S. Gateway Blvd. • 541-942-2061  
Pastor: Dave Bragg  
Worship: 11:00am Sunday  
Bible Study: 7:00pm Wednesday  
[www.hopefellowshipupc.com](http://www.hopefellowshipupc.com)  
"FINDING HOPE IN YOUR LIFE"

**Living Faith Assembly**  
467 S. 10th St. • 541-942-2612  
Pastor Rulon Combs  
Worship & Children's  
Church 10:00 am  
Youth 180 Mondays 5:30-8pm

**Non-Denominational Church of Christ**  
1041 Pennoyer Ave • 541-942-8928  
Preacher: Tony Martin  
Sunday Bible Study: 10:00am  
Sunday Worship: 10:50am & 5:30pm  
[www.pennoyeravecoc.com](http://www.pennoyeravecoc.com)

**Old Time Gospel Fellowship**  
103 S. 5th St. • 541-942-4999  
Pastor: Jim Edwards  
Sunday Service: 10:00am  
Join us in Traditional Christian Worship



**Our Lady of Perpetual Help and St. Philip Benizi**  
Catholic Churches  
1025 N. 19th St.  
541-942-3420 / 541-942-4712  
Pastor: Roy L. Antunez, S.J.  
Euch. Liturgies; Sat. 5:30pm  
Sun. 10:30am  
St. Philip Benizi, Creswell:  
552 Holbrock Lane • 541-895-8686  
Sunday: 8:30am

**St. Andrews Episcopal Church**  
1301 W. Main • 541-767-9050  
Rev. Lawrence Crumb  
"Church with the flags."  
Worship: Sunday 10:30am  
All Welcome

**Seventh-day Adventist Church**  
820 South 10th Street  
541-942-5213  
Pastor: Kevin Miller  
Bible Study: Saturday, 9:15 am  
Worship Service: Saturday, 10:40 am  
Mid-week Service: Wednesday, 1:00 pm

**Trinity Lutheran Church**  
6th & Quincy • 541-942-2373  
Pastor: James L. Markus  
Sunday School & Adult Education 9:15am  
Sunday Worship 10:30 am  
Comm. Kitchen Free Meal Tue & Thur  
5:00pm TLC Groups  
[tlccg.com](http://tlccg.com)

**United Methodist Church**  
334 Washington • 541-942-3033  
Pastor: Lura Kidner-Miesen  
Worship: 10:30am  
Comm. Dinner (Adults \$5, Kids Free)  
2nd & 3rd Monday 5-6:00pm  
[cottagegroveumc.org](http://cottagegroveumc.org)

**"VICTORY" Country Church**  
913 S. 6th Street • 541-942-5913  
Pastor: Barbara Dockery  
Worship Service: 10:00am  
Message: 11:00am  
"WE BELIEVE IN MIRACLES"

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