# OBITUARY

# Dean Rostad

July 27, 1962 — Feb. 1, 2017



Dean Alexander Rostad was born July 27, 1962, in Silverton to Richard and Beverly (Brady) Rostad. He lived in Silverton until 1966, when his family moved to Rodman Bay, Alaska,

and subsequently to False Island. In 1968, the Rostad family moved to Kake, Alaska, where Dean would complete his primary and secondary education. He enjoyed playing basketball. Dean began his career in 1980 in the logging industry after graduating from Kake High School. He married Suzette Adams in 1981. They divorced in 1982.

In 1983, Dean moved to Sublimity, where he continued to log and later became enrolled at Chemeketa Community College. In 1989, Dean received his certificate in welding. Dean's favorite activities included camping, gardening, cooking, hunting and spending time with his family and friends.

Dean relocated to Craig, Alaska, in 1997, where he married Mylene Martin in 2001, before they moved to Ketchikan. They divorced in 2005. Throughout his lifetime, Dean was employed as a timber faller/commercial fisherman. Dean returned in 2010 to Salem, where he remained until his death. He enjoyed reading, cooking, furthering his education and visiting friends.

Dean is survived by five daughters: Jessica Hookland, Leeann (Kyle) Welch, Koren DeBell, Cindy Hibbard, and Dory Lemming; brother Paul (Sandy) Rostad; sisters Susan (Robin) McGinnis and Debra (Gary) Huff; and three grandchildren. Dean was preceded in death by his parents, Richard Rostad and Beverly (Brady) Lorenzen; stepfather James Lorenzen; brother Richie Rostad; and daughter Kathy Yakis.

A celebration of Dean's life was held Feb. 10 at Silverton First Baptist Church.

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# East-valley schools receive Nike grants

### JUSTIN MUCH STAYTON MAIL

A number of high schools located on the east side of the Mid-Willamette Valley were among the recipients of Nike School Innovation Fund Grants, the company announced on Thursday, Feb. 16.

In total, Nike awarded \$1.5 million in grant funds to 100 Oregon high schools, with company officials issuing the stated goal of "increasing graduation rates, closing the achievement gap and helping all students in Oregon prepare for future success."

Among the recipients were mid-east valley schools of Stayton, Cascade, Scio, Jefferson, Kennedy, Gervais and Lebanon high schools.

Nike officials featured the support of two-time Olympic Medalist and Nike athlete Ashton Eaton in the NSIF program. Recently retired from sport, Ashton has turned his focus toward elevating the efforts of NSIF to champion Oregon students and their futures.

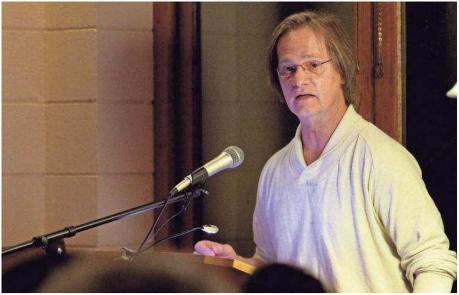
"As the first in my family to go to college, and a native Oregonian, I believe every student can graduate and achieve their dreams, and Nike does too," Eaton said in a NSIF promotional video.

"When I learned that one in four high school students aren't making it to high school graduation on time or at all, I wanted to get involved," Eaton told a class at Churchill High School in Eugene.

Nike echoed that message.

"We believe all kids deserve the chance to graduate ready for their future, and that's why we're investing in Oregon schools through the Nike School Innovation Fund," said Vanessa Wilkins, North America Community Impact Director at Nike. "Oregon is working hard to help more students graduate from high school and we're excited to be part of the solution."





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Explore the world of words at the 17th annual Silverton Poetry Festival through a series of readings, discussions and a poetry writing workshop Friday-Sunday in Silverton.

# Poetry pros ready to converge on Silverton

# CARLEE WRIGHT

STATESIMAN JOORNAL

The wonderful world of words takes center stage at the 17th annual Silverton Poetry Festival Friday through Sunday.

Spoken poetry, said Slemenda, is the essence and DNA of poetry.

"The spoken word and sound is so much different than reading on the page," she said. "It's alive and accessible."

The festival, which aims to promote and celebrate poetry as a literary form, will feature 10 guest poets, who will share readings, have discussions and even host a poetry-writing workshop at venues throughout Silverton and at the Mt. Angel Abbey.

The featured poets come through nominations from past participating poets.

"We are very fortunate to have a wealth of talent and great poets in Oregon and the PNW," secretary Steve Slemenda said.

Slemenda is looking forward to the Talking Poets event planned for Saturday evening.

"I like that because it tends to be a more intimate setting. The idea is that the poets, usually two, will share their work but also talk about themselves as poets, the poetic life, the poetic practice, the value of poetry. It takes on a dynamic of its own," Slemenda said. "It



An audience enjoys the world of poetry as presented through a series of readings, discussions and a poetry writing workshop.

usually becomes a conversation between the poets and includes the audience. You get to listen to them talk to each other about poetry and be part of a conversation. It's not something we have an opportunity to experience very often. It's much richer than just a presentation of poetry."

With the exception of the workshop, all events are free and open to the public.

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# **NEWS BRIEFS**

## **Geeky-Kon-Tiki**

An all-out "Geek Fest" of pop culture, video gaming, role-playing, space, science fiction, costumes and more is scheduled for Sat., Feb. 25. Silverton businesses and artists will host games and activities, as well as vendor booths at Creekside Grille and the Grotto Martini Bar. Attendees are encouraged to come in costume. All ages are welcome from 2 to 5 p.m.; the event is to those 21-and-over

### monthly \$5 or \$10 to the effort.

## Mt. Angel passes noise ordinance

MT. ANGEL – The city's new noise ordinance now explicitly prohibits the kind of loud protesting that occurred at last year's Oktoberfest.

On Feb. 6, the city council passed an ordinance outlawing the use of soundamplifying devices that cause nuisancelevels of noise, except when the noise has

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Creekside Grille is at 242 S. Water Street in the lower level of the Hartman Building, next to Silverton City Hall. No admission. For more info, call 503-873-9700.

# **Book giveaway serves 70**

SILVERTON – Seventy local children each took home a new free book from last Wednesday's community dinner.

"It was great. We brought 73 books, and we gave away 70. So many kids walked away from the table, hugging their book," said Lisa Morris, who co-organized the event with Rebecca Kuenzi.

Morris and Kuenzi are local moms and educators who sell for Usborne Books and organized the giveaway to coincide with the weekly community dinner at First Christian Church. They collected donations, donated their commissions and utilized a 50-percent matching grant from the company to give away \$375 in new books on Feb. 15.

They hope to host the next book giveaway on March 15, and then to continue on the third Wednesday of each month.

Between online contributions made to https://www.youcaring.com/silverton communitydinnerkids-741121 and to Silverton Friends Church, they've nearly gathered enough money to fund March's giveaway, so they're looking toward April. Among other things, they're seeking donors interested in contributing a been permitted. Such devices include loudspeakers, televisions and stereos.

Several protesters from Gospel Invasion Ministries walked through last year's Oktoberfest; they carried signs, preached over loudspeakers and passed out tracts, saying they were protesting against sin and Catholic teachings.

"Because the annual Oktoberfest celebration attracts a significant number of visitors during its four-day run each year, people who are interested in protesting a variety of issues are attracted," Police Chief Mike Healy wrote to the city council.

# Sign-a-stud during February

North Willamette Valley Habitat for Humanity is asking local businesses to consider sponsoring a 2"x 6" construction stud in a new house for \$200 apiece.

To participate, a business can collect donations, then decorate and write messages on a stud that will be used to build walls in a NWV Habitat partner family's house in Silverton.

These messages will be part of the home forever. Habitat will provide the stud, drop it off and pick it up. To collect donations, business can create a SKU, ask customers to round up their purchase, or collect cash donations.

Participating businesses can contact Michele Finicle at 503-845-2177 or mfinicle@nwvhfh.org.

-- Christena Brooks

# **CRIME LOG**

SILVERTON POLICE DEPARTMENT Received calls from Feb. 6 to 12.

# Feb. 6

Motor vehicle crash, 1:03 p.m., N First St. and High St.

# Feb. 7

Motor vehicle crash, 5:48 a.m., S Water St. and Olson Road.

# Feb. 8

Stolen vehicle, 5:05 a.m., 800 Pioneer Drive.

# Feb. 9

Motor vehicle crash, 11:40 a.m., 400 N First St. Motor vehicle crash, 12:34 p.m., Hwy. 214 and

hobart Road.

Stolen vehicle, 4:48 p.m., S Water St. and Johna Lane.

# Feb. 10

Motor vehicle crash, 7:49 a.m., 1400 Pine St.

# Feb. 12

Motor vehicle crash, 6:29 p.m., 400 W Main St.

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