

Lawmaker wants to make osprey Oregon's state bird, booting 'unoriginal' meadowlark

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A Stayton lawmaker believes Oregon's current state bird is unoriginal, rarely seen and needs to be replaced.

Republican state senator Fred Girod wants to boot the western meadowlark as Oregon's avian ambassador and bestow that honor upon the "impressive and intriguing" osprey.

"Oregon deserves a unique and dynamic choice for state bird," says Senate Concurrent Resolution 18, which Girod sponsored.

Salem Audubon Society president Ray Temple said he opposed the effort. He said that while the osprey could make a good choice, meadowlarks are declining and "need all the attention and help they can get."

In the resolution, Girod points out that the meadowlark, Oregon's state bird since 1927, is also the symbol for Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota and Wyoming.

Further, although the meadowlark was once "commonly seen when Oregon was predominantly a rural state, the western meadowlark is now relatively rare in the areas where the greatest number of Oregonians live."

All of this pales in comparison to the osprey, according to the resolution. The osprey can be seen in every region of the state and "better represents the Oregon spirit."

"The osprey is resilient, and its numbers in this state are on the rise," the res-



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An osprey snatches a fish from a stream. An Oregon lawmaker is proposing to make the osprey Oregon's state bird.



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The western meadowlark currently is Oregon's state bird.

olution says. "With its five-foot wingspan and distinctive shape and markings, (it) can be frequently sighted in the sky above almost any body of water with fish enough to sustain it."

That the meadowlark is declining is

exactly why it should remain the state bird, Temple said.

"Suitable nesting and foraging habitats are few and decline in extent every year," Temple said. "Keeping the meadowlark as the state bird may in some

small way contribute to these efforts and its further existence."

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Silverton and surrounding area site of movie filming

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After four years, the ghosts were back in Silverton.

The cast and crew of "A Haunting at Silver Falls 2" spent 19 days working in the Willamette Valley, 16 of them filming many scenes at Eugene Field School, empty office space, a local family's home and Silver Falls State Park.

The low-budget horror film, expected to release this fall, follows "A Haunting of Silver Falls," produced by Enderby Entertainment in 2013 and set in the fictional town of Silver Falls.

The first film features a new-to-town high school student, Jordan, who is pursued by the ghost daughters of a wrongfully convicted man. This second installment follows Jordan as an angry ghost from her past joins forces with a deranged convict to seek revenge.

"It's more about story tension and suspense than blood and guts," said Brian McElroy, the location manager who helped pick Silverton for filming. "It's a scary thriller."

To create the movie's "Institute for the Occult Studies," where doctors examine people who see ghosts, the crew used the interior and exterior of Linfield College in McMinnville and the interior of the shuttered Eugene Field School in Silverton.

In his search for a location, McElroy first considered the Oregon State Hospital and North Salem High School but eventually settled on Eugene Field because the building's old architecture suited the movie, and it's no longer serving students.

"I could see we could do what we wanted there and not be intrusive. The people in Silverton were just great to us," said McElroy, who once worked in Los Angeles as a location manager for the show "Beverly Hills 90210" and "Melrose



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One of the movie's villains, played by Bryan Chesters, peers out a window during filming.

Place."

In the movie, the final clash between Jordan and her pursuers occurs in Eugene Field's halls, stairwells and basement-level cafeteria. Also, driving scenes for the whole film were recorded against a green screen in the covered basketball court. After three 12-hour nights of filming, the crew wrapped things up at the school on the morning of Feb. 20.

The Desert Road home of Jay and Kim Lively will also appear in "A Haunting of Silver Falls 2." Approached at random by the company, the couple agreed to let filming occur inside and outside their home, which is surrounded by trees and outbuildings.

"They promised not to leave any ghosts," Kim said, laughing. For her, it all happened so fast that she didn't even tell her neighbors before the crew showed up, but she and her extended family enjoyed watching everything from makeup to re-takes.

"They showed up at 6:45 a.m. and stayed 'til 10 p.m.," she said. "They

were all so friendly and nice ... I don't usually watch movies like this, but once I saw how much work went into it, I'm really excited to see it."

At Silver Falls State Park and the lodge and conference center, actors and crew contended with torrential rain and even some snow. As they filmed outdoors, western Oregon was pouring its way to its wettest February in history.

"The actors were all in ghost makeup, and they were all wet down, but they were so tough and so great to work with ... everybody did their thing ... and it looks great on film," McElroy said.

Another location used for the movie was the 3,000-square-foot office space near Ace Hardware that once housed the McClaine Street Clinic. Its former life as a doctor's office transitioned nicely into a hospital for the film, said owner Jack Holt. The city of Stayton's police department will also appear in the movie.

"A Haunting of Silver Falls 2" was directed by Teo Konuralp and written by Jesse Riffsin, who

worked onset, rewriting and modifying the script during filming. Producers are Rick Dugdale and Dan Petrie Jr., best known for "Beverly Hills Cop," "The Big Easy" and "Toy Soldiers."

Acting the lead is Laura Flannery as Jordan; James Cavlo plays her boyfriend, Larry. He and twins Nikita and Jade Ramsey, a pair of ghostly twins, are returners from the original "Haunting." Rounding out the cast are Jennifer Dorogi, Bryan Chesters, Dendrie Taylor, Harry Hains and Clemmie Dugdale.

Latino Parent Club meeting March 9

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The newly formed Latino Parent Club will hold its first public meeting for parents on Thursday, March 9. It will be held in Silverton High School's library, starting at 6:30 p.m. We want to make sure

that all families have a voice and feel connected to our school," said Silverton High School Principal Justin Lieuallen.

The club's formation comes three months student demonstrations at election time in November degenerated into verbal confrontations. Some

Latino students reported being fearful and harassed, and a handful of students were disciplined.

A group of parents later asked high school staff and the school district to increase efforts to make their children feel safe.



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