

# Local & Entertainment

## Horses on new bandstand a concern



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The Parks & Rec Board discusses new flooring for the gazebo in the park.

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Tuesday evening the Parks and Recreation Board met. Chairman Rick Taylor called the meeting to order with all members in attendance. City Manager Mike Kee was also present as well as Lions club representative Steven Fiddler.

Taylor first asked if there were any additions or modifications to the agenda.

Gail Duman said she would like to address the disc golf project that had been presented to council recently while Jeff Nelson said he had been contacted by a concerned citizen regarding horses on the new band stand in Geiser-Pollman park.

The gazebo in the park was also added as a topic for discussion. After noting those additions, the Board focused on approving minutes from the last meeting.

A couple of corrections were noted then Duman moved for approval with a second by Nelson.

All voted in favor.

Next on the agenda was an update on the BMX bike track.

Joyce Bornstedt, City staff representative stated that there really were no new updates. She had received an MOA (memorandum of agreement) from Jared Johnson who is spearheading the project but felt it needed a few revisions before being brought before Council and as far as she knew not all of the neighbors had yet been contacted as suggested by Council.

Bornstedt also said that the matter would have to go before Planning to receive a conditional use permit.

She said she was unclear if just the Planning Director or the entire Planning Commission would need to give approval. She did note that at that time there would be further opportunity for neighbors to voice concerns if they had any.

She did not feel that there would be any opposition, from what she knew all feedback had been very positive and the project should move forward, hopefully rather quickly. They moved next to the Adopt-A-Pathway, Adopt-A-Park project.

Taylor had put together sample brochures for the project that he handed out

to everyone.

The group discussed several things including noxious weeds, graffiti and building maintenance. It was agreed that it was important not to confuse volunteers as to what their responsibilities in the project would be and that it should be kept very simplistic in nature.

The call for volunteers to help with repainting of buildings, over graffiti and that sort of thing could be utilized if needed but not necessarily in the Adopt-A-Pathway or Adopt-A-Park agreement.

The board agreed that they would each take the brochures home jot down their own ideas and bring them back to the table at the next meeting before finalizing the project and they agreed to focus on the Adopt-A-Pathway project for now. Once it is successfully functioning then the same structure can be utilized for the Adopt-A-Park project.

The group then turned to a discussion of conceptual plans in neighborhood parks, specifically Cedar Acres and River Park.

Linda Collins passed around some photographs she'd found with prices of playground equipment "Wow, this stuff is expensive," she concluded. "I had no idea."

Bornstedt advised the Board that there was \$11,000 in an account for a matching grant and she was applying for a Sunderland grant to help with placing equipment. After a lengthy discussion the group settled on Cedar Acres park as the priority park.

The board also discussed a 50/50 Leo Adler Grant and utilizing the Lions Club for funding and volunteers as well. The Board agreed to move forward with the Sunderland grant application for Cedar Acres park equipment while pursuing a Leo Grant through the Lions for future projects, including a basketball court at Cedar Acres Park.

Bornstedt also advised the board she had recently been informed that Baker City had received "A \$15,000 Cycle Oregon grant to assist in improvements along the pathway" according to Bornstedt Cycle Oregon typically awards less but awarded more in anticipation of the City securing more fund-

ing and furthering plans and maintenance on the pathway.

A brief presentation was given by Steven Fiddler from the Lions Club regarding the gazebo in Geiser-Pollman park. Renovations are needed to the gazebo and it is a project the Lions club is wanting to take on, providing labor while the City will provide the materials.

They gave options that included trex decking or wood boards (similar to what is already there) to replace the floor boards in the gazebo as well as repair of the stairs and handrails.

The Board was overwhelmingly in support of the Lions taking on this project which will include some restorative work to the picnic shelter and possibly an upgrade to the electrical box at the Lions picnic shelter.

As the Board moved on Duman brought up her concern that she had heard about the Ford Family Cohort pitching a presentation to the City Council on their Disc Golf project and that it had been suggested that the donation to this cause come from the Parks and Recreation Budget. Mayor Mosier, who sits on the Parks and Recreation board as the Council liaison assured Duman that Council had chosen not to approve this.

"If we start donating then it will become an every year or two year thing and then we have to start budgeting for it and it's the tax payers money, I'm just not so sure that's what we want to be doing with it," she said. "Well, that's good I was worried," said Duman.

"So, what about these horses that were on the band stand?" asked Nelson.

"That is an enforcement issue, the police need to be informed," Bornstedt explained. As the Board wrapped up the meeting and planned for the next they found with everyone's schedules March would need to be skipped, and the next time they could meet would be in April.

Bornstedt also advised that the board needed to be thinking of how they wished to address the budget board by prioritizing projects they wanted to accomplish in the upcoming year as that time was fast approaching.

## Bebe's word search

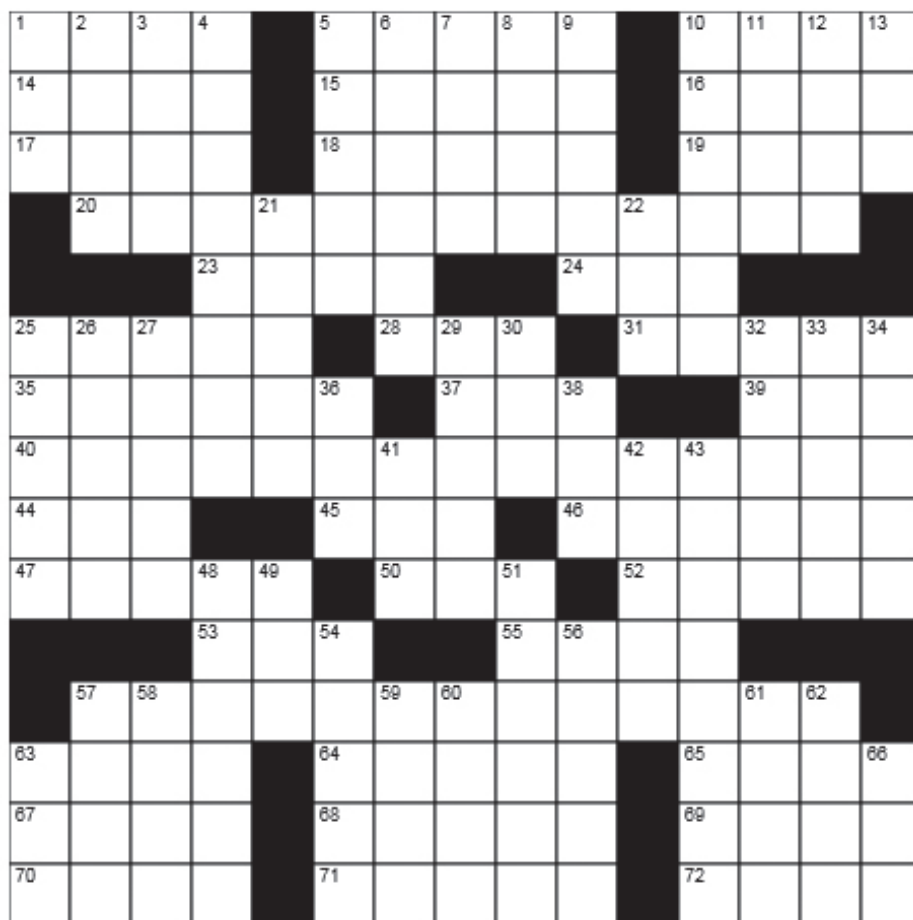
### Nursing Home 2

Find and circle all of the words that are hidden in the grid. The remaining 47 letters spell a Benjamin Franklin quotation.



- ADMISSION
- ASSIST
- BEDPAN
- BEDTIME
- BOOKS
- CALL BELL
- CARD GAMES
- CHARTING
- CRAFTS
- DEMENTIA
- DIABETES
- DINNER
- DISABILITY DOCTOR
- ELEVATOR
- ENTERTAINMENT
- EYEGLASSES
- FOOD TRAY
- GERIATRIC HEALTH
- HOLIDAY EVENTS
- INSULIN SHOT
- LAXATIVES
- LOCKDOWN
- LOTION
- LOUNGE
- MEALS
- MECHANICAL LIFT
- MEDICINE
- MEMORY
- MORNING CARE
- NURSE
- OSTEOPOROSIS
- OXYGEN
- PATIENTS
- PHARMACIST
- PHYSICAL THERAPY
- PILLS
- PODIATRIST
- RECLINER
- RECREATION ROOM
- RELATIVES
- ROOMMATE
- SEDATIVES
- SHAVER
- SINGING
- SLEEP
- SNACK CART
- SOAP
- SOCIALIZE
- STAFF
- SUPPOSITORY
- SYRINGE
- THERMOMETER
- TUBE FEED
- VIRUS
- VISITOR
- WANDER ALARM
- WASH HANDS

## The Littles' crossword puzzle



- Across**
- 1- Slang expert Partridge;
  - 5- Comic DeGeneres;
  - 10- Still;
  - 14- Soup with sushi;
  - 15- Alley Oop's girlfriend;
  - 16- Nutmeg coat;
  - 17- First king of Israel;
  - 18- Fills to the gills;
  - 19- Burt's ex;
  - 20- List of particulars;
  - 23- Unit of loudness;
  - 24- One circuit;
  - 25- Milan's La \_\_\_;
  - 28- Nipper's co.;
  - 31- Unit of heat;
  - 35- Having a handle;
  - 37- Prefix with center;
  - 39- Cry \_\_\_ River;
  - 40- In spite of;
  - 44- Loss leader?;
  - 45- Battery size;
  - 46- Tidy up;
  - 47- Eagle's nest;
  - 50- Twisted;
  - 52- Lost;
  - 53- Actress Ruby;
  - 55- Town near Padua;
  - 57- Lead poisoning;
  - 63- Burkina \_\_\_;
  - 64- Smell, usually a pleasant one;
  - 65- K-12, in the ed biz;
  - 67- The wolf \_\_\_ the door;
  - 68- Golden Horde member;
  - 69- Stated;
  - 70- Cookbook armts.;
  - 71- Rock;
- Down**
- 1- Dash lengths;
  - 2- Narrow inlets;
  - 3- The jig \_\_\_!;
  - 4- Cabbage salad;
  - 5- Red fluorescent dye;
  - 6- Lazy person;
  - 7- Monetary unit of Lesotho;
  - 8- Util. bill;
  - 9- Like Fran Drescher's voice;
  - 10- Ruler of the Islamic world;
  - 11- Suffix with buck;
  - 12- Waterfall;
  - 13- Year in Edward the Confessor's reign;
  - 21- Raccoon relative;
  - 22- Make lace;
  - 25- Capital of Yemen;
  - 26- Benjamin;
  - 27- \_\_\_ Is Born;
  - 29- Actor Romero;
  - 30- Suitable;
  - 32- Gives off;
  - 33- Actress Taylor;
  - 34- \_\_\_ Carta;
  - 36- JFK listing;
  - 38- 007 creator Fleming;
  - 41- Hem's partner;
  - 42- Swell!;
  - 43- Undated;
  - 48- Foolish persons;
  - 49- Dusk, to Donne;
  - 51- Toady;
  - 54- Les \_\_\_-Unis;
  - 56- Frighten;
  - 57- Get an A, say;
  - 58- Pronto;
  - 59- Part of QED;
  - 60- \_\_\_-Router;
  - 61- Now \_\_\_ me down...;
  - 62- Lower jaw;
  - 63- In shape;
  - 66- Fingers;

