

Veterans Corner

Statewide Veterans Ceremony

The Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs will honor all veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces during its Statewide Veterans Day Ceremony at 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 11, in view of the Oregon State Capitol Building.

This event will feature remarks by dignitaries and special guests along with ceremonial elements including a color guard, singing of the national anthem, a wreath laying and the playing of "Taps."

The celebration will honor Oregon veterans of all eras and will be hosted at the Oregon State Capitol State Park located on Court Street Northeast in Salem — directly in front of the main

entrance of the Oregon State Capitol Building.

The event is open to the public and uncovered seating will be provided for attendees. Accessible pathways and seating areas for those needing accommodations will also be provided. Attendees are reminded to plan accordingly for Oregon weather.

For those unable to attend, the event will also be livestreamed on ODVA's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/odvavet. If you have any questions about this event, please contact ODVA at (800) 692-9666 or visit www.oregon.gov/odva.



VA Education Bridge Grants

Apprenticeships, OJT, Career Schools

Are you a veteran looking to finish your Oregon based apprenticeship, other on-the-job training, or secondary career school certificate, but need financial assistance? Consider applying for the Veterans Educational Bridge Grant, offered by the Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs.

Eligible veterans can receive up to \$5,000 in funds if they are experiencing a delay in their training progress. Funds may be used for household expenses, emergency needs, or in any other way that assists the recipient to resume their training.

If you are a veteran, an Oregon resident, and unable to complete your academic/training program due to scheduling issues or debt on a student account, please consider applying for the Veterans Educational Bridge Grant Program. Learn more at <https://www.oregon.gov/.../Pages/Educational-Bridge-Grant.aspx> Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs to Host Statewide Veterans Day Ceremony at Oregon State Capitol Park

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School Days

North Douglas Elementary School
Student of the Month:



Avery Swafford

Avery is a kind and helpful student. She is respectful to her teachers and classmates. Avery is always willing to help her peers and her teachers. She is a joy to have in the classroom.
— Mrs. Ward

North Douglas Middle School-
Student of the Month:



Vincent Sartin-Bratton

Vincent displays his respect for others every day in the classroom. He always raises his hand before speaking, he is polite in his interactions with others, and he's always aware of his surrounding and respects other people's space. Vincent is a great student and respectful citizen.
— Mr. Ghelfi

North Douglas High School
Student of the Month.

Ryan Patten

Congratulations to our Students of the Month



Obituary In Memorium



Sunnie lived in Scottsburg, Oregon where her pioneer

family had settled, the Hedden and Sawyers families. She preferred to be known by her nickname and her pioneer family name of Hedden. She spent her middle years in Modesto, California near her mother, but came back to Scottsburg to her proud roots. She was very proud of her heritage. Sunnie was a beautiful person, always helping others, community minded, and had a very heart-warming smile. She had a way of making everyone feel welcome and at ease.

She ran the Farmer's Market in Reedsport and Winchester Bay for almost 20 years. It was her passion. She loved bringing good produce and other items to the market so others could enjoy. She really knew her peaches! She also had a love of plants and flowers and spoke highly of a 150 yr old wedding rose of her great-grandparents. She noticed the beauty all around her. She had a personal relationship with God and had a faith not

many have.

Sunnie worked tirelessly to establish a warming center in Reedsport and often was involved with the free soup program at the church as well. Sunnie also gave of herself when she co-organized the Senior and Disabled Transportation Program that existed for many years and she was the driver that took seniors and disabled people on regular fun outings and to shopping and doctor appointments. These two community programs alone were invaluable to the community and no one has stepped up to fill those shoes. Sunnie was golden, and one of a kind.

She was a wealth of folk wisdom and how to treat ailments naturally. I think her favorite remedy was beet water, the water that is left after beets are cooked in a pot. She said it was very nutritious and helpful to many ailments.

Sunnie was interested in genealogy of her own family but also the families of Douglas County and she was an honored guest at the dedication of the new Scottsburg bridge recently. She possessed a wonderful memory and could remember how people were interconnected.

Sunnie fought many health battles, broken bones, heart disease, infections, pain, and multiple Cancer. She fought bravely and without complaint. And she continued on with grace that others could do well to emulate. There were times she did without, because of living on a fixed income, and yet, she always asked how others were and helped others as long as she could. She was a proud beautiful lady.

We miss her so much. We hope she is in a sunny garden somewhere with her favorite pets and love all around. She will be a part of us. Sunnie made the world a better place.