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- Hacienda Viera, 237 West B Ave
- Brothers Cafe, 439 W B Ave

Yoncalla

- Eagle Valley Supply, 2570 Eagle Valley Rd
- Food Center & Deli, 2580 Eagle Valley Rd
- Why Not Bar and Grill, 164 Main St
- Yoncalla Public Library, 194 Birch St

Elkton

- Arlene's Cafe & General Store 14858 State HWY 38
- Elkton Station 14940 State HWY 38
- Tomaselli's Pastry Mill & Cafe, 14836 OR Hwy 38
- Elkton Community Education Center, 15850 HWY 38 W

Rice Hill

- Buy 2 Arco, 614 John Long Rd

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Reedsport

- Jacks Barber Shoppe, 1199 Highway Ave,
- TRMF Smokes, 1898 Winchester Ave. US-101
- Don's Main Street Family Restaurant, 2115 US-101
- Recreation Station, 1575 Winchester Ave US-101 S
- Creative Mercantile, 392 Fir Ave.
- High Water Cafe, 427 Fir Ave.
- Lower Umpqua Library, 395 Winchester Ave.
- 7-11 Store, 2011 Winchester Ave. US-101
- Oregon Coast Restaurant, 2165 Winchester Ave

Cottage Grove

- Old Mill Farm Store, 327 South River Rd.
- Kwik Pik Market #2, 925 E Gibbs Ave.
- Daves Corner Market, 633 N 9th St.
- Crafty Mercantile, 517 E Main St.
- The Book Mine, 702 E Main St.
- Dari Mart, 1200 E Main St.
- Cottage Market, 603 OR HWY-99
- Medication Station, 1041 N Pacific HWY-99
- American Market, 911 E Main St

Eugene

- Willamette Valley Motoplex, 86441 College View Rd
- Classic Smoke Shop, 733 State Hwy 99 N
- The Embers, 1811 Hwy 99 N

Springfield

- Dari-Mart, 1950 Mohawk Blvd #38
- Everyones Market, 1128 5th St
- 7-11, 1396 Main St
- Heartless & Hopeless Tattoo, 329 Main St

Winchester Bay

- Beck's Winchester Bay Market, 245 8th St.
- Pelican Market, 75298 Pacific Coast HWY US-101

Oakland

- Bart's Oakland Market, 204 SE 1st St
- Tyee Landing, 11424 Oregon HWY 138
- Oakland Tavern, 104 Locust St

Sutherlin

- Kwik Pik Market & Deli, 551 W Central Ave.
- Smitty's Food Mart & Deli, 1367W Central Ave.
- Center Market, 1230 W Central Ave.
- Center Market #32, 206 E Central Ave.
- S-Mart, 333 E Central Ave.
- Central Food Mart, 1021 E Central Ave.
- Chevron/S-Mart, 1484 W Central Ave.
- DC Precision Lube & Tune, 489 E Central Ave.

Roseburg

- Roseburg Tobacco & Food Mart, 2050 NE Stephens St
- 1 Am Market, 1931 NE Stephens St
- Lil' Pantry, 2611 NW Edenbower Blvd
- Buy 2 Arco, 2530 NE Stephens St
- Mini Pet Mart, 194 Birch St

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Editorial

By Rusty Savage

It seems that we have been holding our breath as we clammer through this 2024 election cycle. At this point I just want to get through it, come hell or high water. Some think hell might be actually coming. To me that is doubtful. Thinking back to my first election experience, I voted for Nixon in '72. I was 18, had finished with Air Force Boot Camp and I was learning about computers and beginning to navigate adulthood. Then, after the election, that government drama called "Watergate" was all over the news and then a President resigned. That was my first Presidential election.

Since that time, in spite of - or maybe due to, the escalating cacophony of dueling factions ramping up their charges of doom and gloom (always from whichever faction or viewpoint is at bat), we find ourselves being shoe-horned into one box or another. Regardless of the side of the arguments you find yourself on, there you are with a pit in your stomach and ringing in your ears. C'mon, I'll give a little, you give a little and lets figure out where the middle ground is so that we can all eck out some liveable space here. My best friend used tell me his life motto was "Living well is the best revenge". Ultimately what he meant was that no matter how crappy it seems and what bitter pill is being forced down your throat, it still means more to find enough contentment and enjoyment in your life, however you may find it, to bring a smile to your face and a skip to your step.

Sometimes you find yourself in a more immediate pickle, like in your neighborhood or the local politics. You have issues that affect your home, your work, your streets, your kids and more, right there where you are? Then it becomes the time to get fired up. Not to argue and fight with folks, but to step out and seek remedies that you can be a part of. Action is wind that carries our intentions to some hopeful eventuality. Volunteering is a step of faith to the process of any betterment for those who live and surround us. Folks who convene together to chart and forge a course of action of help and improvement, are the ones making a difference. It is never a fatal injury to allow and promote all the voices who speak up and roll up their sleeves to help. All hail to those who walk the walk and a grain of sand for just talking the talk.

Here in my own little community I hear the rumble of concern and the whisper of the desire for some change. I'm sure there is good reason and it seems likely that there will be some sort entanglement or maybe obstacles to consider. I say that if more people can contribute, without exclusions, the likelihood of change and betterment is more certain. Pull together



folks.

I'm excited for the growth and encouragement the North Douglas Herald has experienced over the last year or so. We now have over 60 pickup locations across 2 counties. The locations run out of issues by the end of the month and now the plan is to stock our locations twice a month. Which brings us to another fork in the road to navigate. From 350 miles on the delivery route, now the mileage will run over twice that beginning this month. It means more production on the print run, higher delivery costs and more wear and tear on vehicles. Not a great prospect for the publisher of a free newspaper that we want to make available to as many Oregonians as we possibly can. It's a commitment that is the core of our journalistic persona.

Another immediate goal the Herald is eyeing, is to provide our Newspaper on proprietary racks at each of the pickup points. Some are wire racks for inside, some are enclosed so as to be outside. It keeps our papers organized and easy to spot at our locations.

Along with those logistical challenges, with growth comes the proposed addition of more pages and color in the coming months. Another commitment to our readers, to work each month to improve the content and quality of the Newspaper. And we can't forget how it is possible to make it all happen. Advertising. That is how we can still have a bottom line that enables us to keep the quality, quantity and the quest alive. The Herald is actively looking for advertisers to support us and we ask our readers to support our advertisers.

I am glad that we are supported in so many ways. I do have a wishlist though. The North Douglas Herald is looking for some motivated individuals to join the advertising sales organization. Sales skills are a plus, but motivation and initiative are paramount. The compensation is dependant on results oriented sales. Additionally, I am considering creating regional districts that can be managed along with the advertising base of the regions. It may be a business opportunity and I am anxious to hear from interested parties. You can contact me by email, editor@ndherald.com.

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Drain

- Mayor: **Erin Sparhawk**
- Council Position #1: **Grant Vaughan**
- Council Position #2: **Kevin VanPelt**
- Council Position #3: **Katie Decker**
- Council Position #5: **Aaron Lymath**
- City Administrator: **Jeni Stevens**
- City Council Meeting: 11/11/24 - 6pm

Yoncalla

- Mayor: **Kathleen Wertz**
- Councilors: **Dan Wagoner**
Gene Vroman
Harold Gilpin
Bryce Wertz
- City Administrator: **Jennifer Bragg**
- Council Meeting: 11/12/24 - 6pm

Elkton

- Mayor: **Daniel Burke**
- Council President: **Joan Smith**
- Council Members:
Kim Moore
Dan Shepherd
Sandra Galli
- Public Works Supervisor: **Gary Trout**
- Council Meeting: 11/14/24 - 8:30am

Oakland

- Mayor: **Bette Keehley**
- Counselor: **Jan Wier**
- Counselor: **Kent Rochester**
- Counselor: **Sky Ironplow**
- Counselor: **Betty Tamm**
- Council Meeting: 11/11/24 - 7pm

Sutherlin

- Mayor: **Michelle Sumner**
- Council President: **Debbie Hamilton**
- Councilor: **Lisa Woods**
- Councilor: **Joe Grossman**
- Councilor: **Larry Whitaker**
- Councilor: **Shawn Smalley**
- Councilor: **Gary Dagal**
- City Manager: **Jerry Gillham**
- Council Meeting: 11/11/24 - 7:15pm

Reedsport

- Mayor: **Linda McCollum**
- Council Position #1: **Rob Wright**
- Council Position #2: **DeeDee Murphy**
- Council Position #3: **Chuck Miller**
- Council Position #5: **Allen Teitzel**
- Council Position #5: **Rich Patten**
- Council Position #7: **Debby Turner**
- Council Meeting: 11/04/24 - 7pm

Cottage Grove

- Mayor: **Candace Solesbee**
- Councilor Ward 1: **Open Seat**
- Councilor Ward 2: **Jon Stinnett**
- Councilor Ward 3: **Dana Merryday**
- Councilor Ward 4: **Greg Ervin**
- Councilor: **Open Seat**
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- Council Meeting: 11/25/24 - 6:55pm

County State & Federal

- Douglas County Commissioners:
Tom Kress(Chair) **Tim Freeman**
Chris Boice **Jennifer Miller**
- Lane County Commissioners:
Dist 1: **Ray Ceniga** Dist 2: **David Lovall**
Dist 3: **Laurie Trierger** Dist 4: **Pat Farr**
Dist 5: **Heather Buch**
- Oregon House Representative:
District 02: **Virgle Osborne**
- Oregon State Senator:
District 1: **David Brock Smith**
- U.S. Senate Oregon:
Jeff Merkley
Ron Wyden
- U.S House of Representatives:
District 4: **Val Hoyle**
- Secretary of State:
LaVonne Griffin-Valade

Attorney General: **Ellen Rosenblum**
Governor: **Tina Kotek**
Vice-President: **Kamala Harris**
President: **Joe Biden**
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