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- Mark Twain

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Studio Tattoo, 329 N 1st St
- Yoncalla**
Eagle Valley Supply, 2570 Eagle Valley Rd
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Yoncalla Public Library, 194 Birch St
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Recreation Station, 1575 Winchester Ave US-101 S
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7-11 Store, 2011 Winchester Ave. US-101
Oregon Coast Restaurant, 2165 Winchester Ave
Harbor Light Restaurant, 960 Highway Ave
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Old Mill Farm Store, 327 South River Rd.
Kwik Pik Market #2, 925 E Gibbs Ave.
Daves Comer Market, 633 N 9th St.
Safeway, 1500 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**
Dairy-Mart, 1495 River Rd #2
Dairy-Mart, 2735 River Rd
Dairy-Mart, 3620 River Rd
Dairy-Mart, 2920 W 11th Ave
Dairy-Mart, 4099 W 11th Ave
7-11 Store, 3762 W 11th Ave
7-11 Store, 1107 S Bertelsen Rd
7-11 Store, 895 River Rd
7-11 Store, 3821 River Rd
7-11 Store, 190 Hwy 99
7-11 Store, 701 Polk St
7-11 Store, 590 E Broadway
7-11 Store, 445 Coburg Rd,
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Classic Smoke Shop, 733 State Hwy 99 N
The Embers Lounge, 1811 Hwy 99 N
- Springfield**
Dari-Mart, 1950 Mohawk Blvd #38
Dari-Mart, 220 W B St
Dari-Mart, 1875 Main St
Dari-Mart, 1554 M St
7-11, 1396 Main St
Heartless & Hopeless Tattoo, 329 Main St
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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 Smoke s, 1230 W Central Ave.
Shop Smart Grocery, 811 E Central
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.
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News & Smokes, 457NW Garden Valley Blvd
Ridgeway Market, 1800 NW Garden Valley Blvd
Safeway, 1539 NE Stephens St
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, 333 NE Garden Valley Blvd
Mini Pet Mart, 2820 NE Stephens St
- Albany**
7-11, 333 34th Ave SE
AM PM, 33200 OR-34
Dari-Mart, 1005 Queen Ave SW

Government

Know your local Representatives!

Drain

Mayor: **Erin Sparhawk**
Council Position #1: **Melanie Lymath**
Council Position #2: **Kevin VanPelt**
Council Position #3: **Katie Decker**
Council Position #5: **Aaron Lymath**
City Administrator: **Ken Strobeck**
City Council Meeting: 3/10/25 - 6pm

Yoncalla
Mayor: **Kathleen Wertz**
Councilors: **Amy Grabinski**
Open Seat
Harold Gilpin
Bryce Wertz
City Administrator: **Jennifer Bragg**
Council Meeting: 3/11/25 - 6pm

Elkton
Mayor: **Daniel Burke**
Council President: **Joan Smith**
Council Members:
Kim Moore
Dan Shepherd
Sandra Galli
Public Works Supervisor: **Gary Trout**
Council Meeting: 3/13/25 - 8:30am

Oakland
Mayor: **Bette Keehley**
Counselor: **Jan Wier**
Counselor: **Kent Rochester**
Counselor: **Sky Ironplow**
Counselor: **Betty Tamm**
Council Meeting: 3/10/25 - 7pm

Sutherlin
Mayor : **Michelle Sumner**
Council President **Debbie Hamilton**
Councilor **Lisa Woods**
Councilor **Larry Whitaker**
Councilor **Adam Sarnoski**
Councilor **Shawn Smalley**
Councilor **Gary Dangel**
City Manager **Jerry Gillham**
Council Meeting: 3/10/25 - 7:15pm

Reedsport
Mayor : **Linda McCollum**
Council Position #1: **Rob Wright**
Council Position #2: **Clifton Jackson Jr**
Council Position #3: **Sandra Rose Donnelly**
Council Position #5: **Allen Teitzel**
Council Position #5: **Rich Patten**
Council Position #7: **Debby Turner**
Council Meeting: 3/3/25 - 7pm

Cottage Grove
Mayor: **Candace Solesbee**
Councilor Ward 1: **Christine Hyink**
Councilor Ward 2: **Randell Lammerman**
Councilor Ward 3: **Dana Merryday**
Councilor Ward 4: **Greg Ervin**
Councilor: **Jim Settelmeyer**
Councilor: **Darrel Wilson**
Council Meeting: 3/10/25, 3/24/25 - 7pm

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 Trieger** 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: **Tobias Read**
Attorney General: **Dan Rayfield**
Governor: **Tina Kotek**
Vice-President: **JD Vance**
President: **Donald Trump**

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Editorial

By Rusty Savage
This last month has impressed on my brain, the undenyng consequence of how the weather around us dominates our lives. Sailors and Merchantmen, live and move under calm or stormy seas. Regardless of our will and intent, the pursuit of our ends and means can be boosted or stymied by a snowstorm or a spring breeze. Watching across our country just this winter, I have seen weather patterns affecting our daily discourses, alternately, good or bad but rarely indifferent.

This month I’ve seen drenching rain, sunny days, freezing cold and wind storms and spring flowers. Sometimes Mother Nature has a lot to say and she changes her mind on a whim. It’s the season of seasons and I guess I look forward to its wild ride to and fro. If you don’t like the weather, wait a few minutes, it’ll change again.

If the changing seasons come and go, there appears to be a rhythm or frequency to it that makes it appear normal or regular in it’s changes. There are similar rhythms to changes in human nature, both individually and socially/culturally. In human history it’s the rise and fall of empires and cultures. In our national identities it’s our self awareness and social conscious. Individually it’s the life changes and goals of our minds. The changes of these values can be helpful or harmful, effective or ineffective. But like a pendulum, the swing is less amplified each time it reaches an arc. The center of the arc is where we are most secure and content. That is the furthest distance from our most radical and precipitous heights of the swing. So change is inevitable and we fly the fastest at the bottom of the swing. Anticipate the swings to each side and make yourself comfortable in the middle. That is the balance, knowing the limit of your heights and putting all your efforts through the arc in the middle.

February is that short month, hard to get everything done. Not enough time to get a full load of news items and we came up a little short on advertisers. The Herald did manage to make nice progress after a month of January of obstacles. We replaced our broken computer and, hallelujah, after blowing the motor in our delivery truck, we managed to replace it with a really nice Ford Explorer. Thanks Tony for working within our budget.

The Herald continues to grow and expand, just like the momentum of the pendulum swing, we’re very close to, now, over 90 pickup locations from Roseburg to Albany and from Sutherlin out to Reedsport we expect to add another 10 locations this month. Bringing FREE local news and information to our readers is our mission and cause. Consider a donation to our ongoing delivery and publication efforts or perhaps help with our newspaper rack Gofundme to make our newspaper more visible and easy to find to all Oregonians.

Climate Change Photo Exhibit

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country. But it’s more than just two-dimensional images; the project is enriched by stories behind the photos, especially the interactions among the landscape and people, which I try to bring out with the accompanying descriptions.”

O’Connor’s documentation of Oregon’s glaciers is profiled in the Winter 2013 issue of the Oregon Historical Quarterly in the article, “Our Vanishing Glaciers”: One Hundred Years of Glacier Retreat in the Three Sisters Area, Oregon Cascade Range.” In the essay, O’Connor asserts that “glaciers exist by the grace of climate,” and through a close examination of the history of the region’s glaciers, he provides an intriguing glimpse into the history of geological surveys and glacial studies in the Pacific Northwest, including their connection to significant scientific advances of the nineteenth century.

For those unable to visit in person, the exhibition is accessible as both an audio tour and transcript (with built in translations) through OHS’s free digital guide available through Bloomberg Connects.

To learn more about Oregon’s changing climate, The Oregon Encyclopedia has curated a digital exhibit on Climate Change in Oregon that features entries by regional experts who have spent their careers researching and sharing their work on the effects of a warming planet.

The Oregon Historical Society’s museum is open daily in downtown Portland, from 10am to 5pm Monday through Saturday and 12pm to 5pm on Sunday. Admission is free every day for youth 17 and under, OHS members, and residents of Multnomah County. Learn more and plan your visit at ohs.org/visit.