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- Thomas Jefferson

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Locations for Pick up Points

Drain
 Rays Food Place, 308 N 1st St.
 Country Cabin Coffee & Laundry, 438 W “B” Ave Hwy38
 The Rose Bar, 413 Umpqua Hwy 38
 Mildred Whipple Library, 205 W. “A” Ave.
 Beaver Creek Unique, 416 W “B” Ave.
 Zolezzi Insurance Agency, 208 W C Ave
 CG Market, 333 W B Ave
 US Bank, 229 N 1st St
 Hacienda Viera, 237 West B Ave
 Oregon News Herald, 301 N 1st St
 38 Special Cafe., 439 W “B” St
 La Mota, 257 2nd St

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
 Farm Pickins Mercantile, 326 1st Street

Rice Hill
 Buy 2 Arco, 614 John Long Rd
Scottsburg
 Riverbanks Speedy Mart 32841 State HWY 38
 LULD Library Box at Fire Station, 33237 OR HWY 38

Reedsport
 City Hall Community Center, 451 Winchester Ave
 Sugar Shack, 145 N 3rd St
 Jacks Barber Shoppe, 1199 Highway Ave.
 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
 Harbor Light Restaurant, 960 Highway Ave

Cottage Grove
 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
 Walmart, 901 Row River Rd

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,
 Albertson Grocery, 311 Coburg Rd
 Albertson Grocery, 55 Division Ave
 Market of Choice, 1960 Franklin Blvd
 Classic Smoke Shop, 733 State Hwy 99 N
 The Embers Lounge, 1811 Hwy 99 N

Springfield
 Dari-Mart, 1950 Mohawk Blvd #48
 Dari-Mart, 220 W B St
 Dari-Mart, 1875 Main St
 Dari-Mart, 1554 M St
 Fins, 4090 Main St
 Dari-Mart, 6898 Main St #17
 Albertson Grocery, 5755 Main St
 7-11, 5808 Main 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 Smoke s, 1230 W Central Ave.
 Shop Smart Grocery, 811 E Central
 Center Market #42, 206 E Central Ave.
 S-Mart, 333 E Central Ave.
 Central Food Mart, 1021 E Central Ave.
 Chevron/S-Mart, 1484 W Central Ave.

Roseburg
 News & Smokes, 457 NW Garden Valley Blvd
 Ridgeway Market, 1800 NW Garden Valley Blvd
 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
 7-11, 6190 Pacific Blvd SW

Government

Know your local Representatives!

Drain

Mayor: **Erin Sparhawk**
 Council Position #1: **Melanie Lymath**
 Council Position #2: **Ben Simons**
 Council Position #4: **Katie Decker**
 Council Position #6: **Aaron Lymath**
 City Administrator: **Jeni Stevens**
 City Council Meeting: 11/10/25 - 6pm

Yoncalla

Mayor: **Kathleen Wertz**
 Councilors: **Amy Grabinski**
 Open Seat
Harold Gilpin
Bryce Wertz
 City Administrator: **Jennifer Bragg**
 Council Meeting: 11/10/25 - 6pm

Elkton

Mayor: **Daniel Burke**
 Council President: **Joan Smith**
 Council Members:
Kim Moore
Dan Shepherd
Sandra Galli
 Public Works Supervisor: **Gary Trout**
 Council Meeting: 11/14/25 - 8:30am

Oakland

Mayor: **Bette Keehley**
 Counselor: **Jan Wier**
 Counselor: **Kent Rochester**
 Counselor: **Sky Ironplow**
 Counselor: **Betty Tamm**
 Council Meeting: 11/10/25 - 7pm

Sutherlin

Mayor: **Michelle Sumner**
 Council President **Debbie Hamilton**
 Councilor **Lisa Woods**
 Councilor **Larry Whitaker**
 Councilor **Adam Sarnoski**
 Councilor **Shawn Smalley**
 Councilor **Gary Dagle**
 City Manager **Jerry Gillham**
 Council Meeting: 11/10/25 - 7:15pm

Reedsport

Mayor: **Linda McCollum**
 Council Position #1: **Rob Wright**
 Council Position #2: **Clifton Jackson Jr**
 Council Position #4: **Sandra Rose Donnelly**
 Council Position #6: **Allen Teitzel**
 Council Position #6: **Cindy Wegner**
 Council Position #10: **Debbie Turner**
 Council Meeting: 11/03/25 - 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: 11/10/25, 11/24/25 - 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

You know, the old saying about “Murphy’s Law”, if it CAN happen, it WILL happen. It’s pretty ambiguous as well as kinda specific. We all understand that the inevitability of things that break, or go wrong or become some difficult circumstance, are, by the nature of chance, unpredictable.

“Expect me when you least expect me.”
 So there I am, least expecting it, as I prepare to turn in the October issue of the Oregon News Herald to the printer. “What! We can’t get in to get printed for 2 weeks?” Yep, just so you know, the Oregon News Herald is a pretty small fish in the scope of printing at big printer/publishers. We have already been bumped on a regular basis and there’s not much to be done about trying to fit in between the big jobs. But this time there was a significant problem that was a lot different than a few days delay.

But just as the Herald has overcome weather outages, equipment breakdowns, higher costs of paper and print services, we have pivoted to continue our mission. To offset the delay in the October issue, we have pulled in our stories and features from November and combined all of our material into a special double month issue with added pages and an increase on our print run for this issue.

You’ll see some changes this issue. We have changed our printing partners in order to secure a stable printing schedule. So the future issues of the Oregon News Herald will be printed, and distribution will begin, the last Thursday of each month. As with a change of this type, there will be a bit of a new look to the newspaper. Not in our basic format, just some aesthetic differences, One of the positive factors is the ability to have more color in the Herald, looking forward to that. We no longer will be stapled or “stitched” as they say in the printing world. We do not have as many choices in paper grades as we did, but there should be more pages in each issue to make up for that. Overall, the Herald has implemented a few tweaks to our product and service to help us to grow and continue to serve our readers.

Additionally, there is a steady eye towards increasing our expanding footprint and increased production. Currently the Oregon News Herald is distributed in about 100 outlets across Western Central Oregon and the Oregon Coast. In addition to our print circulation, the Herald began a parallel promotion each month through social media and the Internet, resulting in over doubling our circulation to over 3000 current readers. With the increasing interest, I plan to also increase further, the page count as well as the total circulation. The Herald will be adding new outlets in our current and nearby locations as well as further up and down the coast. We are always looking for new outlets to distribute the newspaper at and we are still working on our proprietary newsracks.

It’s not breaking news to remind our readers that this free newspaper, it’s manufacture, printing and distribution is totally dependant on our Advertisers and Doners. We always want to remind our readers to show your appreciation for their support and support their businesses when you can. If you are, or know a business or organization that benefits from advertising, get in contact with us, we’d love to figure how we can work together. Enjoy the double issue, see you the 1st of December.