

# Redmond joins national water conservation challenge

By SPOKESMAN STAFF

Redmond Mayor George Endicott is asking city residents to use water resources more wisely.

The National Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation, run by the Wyland Foundation, encourages cities to use water more efficiently, reduce pollution, and save energy.

Residents of cities with the highest participation rates are entered to win various prizes, including \$3,000 toward utility payments, gift cards, water saving fixtures, and more. Residents can also nominate a local non-profit to win a 2022 Toyota.

"As we experience a severe drought in Central Oregon, it is especially im-

portant that we each do what we can to preserve water," said Endicott, in a release.

To participate, residents can go to mywaterpledge.com from April 1-30 to make a pledge to conserve water on behalf of the city.

Last year, residents from more than 2,000 cities across the nation

pledged to reduce their annual consumption of freshwater by more than 3 billion gallons, reduce waste sent to landfills by 80 million pounds, and prevent hundreds of thousands of pounds of hazardous waste from entering watersheds.

The foundation has also created a new digital tool at www.wyland-

foundation.org that gives residents a unique way to do hands-on home, community, and workplace projects year-round in support of their city's sustainability efforts. By doing one simple action for a day, a week, or longer, Redmond residents can help the city earn bonus points toward up to \$50,000 in prizes.

## PET OF THE WEEK



Submitted Photo

### Meet Tank!

Tank came to BrightSide to find his forever home after not being claimed at a previous shelter. Tank is a three to six year old 55 pound mixed breed that is overall friendly and sweet. Some introductions may take a minute or two of warming up, but this big sweet heart would love to meet you and win your heart.

The staff here at BrightSide describe Tank as bold and headstrong at first, but overall quiet and laid back. Tank is good with cats and kids but if have other dogs in the home we will require a meet and greet, as Tank does have a dominant personality towards other dogs.

If you would like to meet Tank, please come to BrightSide!

# Redmond Proficiency Academy students nab awards at Oregon thespian festival

Redmond Proficiency Academy drama students recently competed in the annual Oregon Thespian State Festival, where they earned awards, scholarships and advancement to the International Thespian Festival.

The State Festival is the signature event for Oregon thespians, attended by more than 1,500 theater students and teachers from around the state and features main stage productions, dozens of one act plays, workshops and presentations.

"After two years of cancellations due to the pandemic, it was wildly fulfilling to be back in-person at the Oregon State Thespian Festival," said Kate Torcom, RPA's theatre director.

Senior Lana Frisinger won an award for her stage management work on RPA's production of "PUFFS," making her eligible to advance to the International Thespian Festival scheduled for June in Bloomington, Ind.

The troupe earned "superior" rankings for each category they competed in: large group musical, small group musical, duo comedic Acting, duo dramatic acting, group acting, solo acting and stage management.

RPA Thespians were awarded the highest honor of "State Showcase Select" for their large group musical number, which means they were able to perform their piece, a song from "Cry Baby, the Musical," on the main stage. Seniors Casey James and Kendra McGuire, junior Lydia Carter, sophomores Ruby Boland and Allie Smith, and freshman Talon Confer, Cohen Flanagan, Claire Gray and Katey James made up the cast.

Senior Kendra McGuire won the Oregon Thespian Scholarship and said she was excited to be able to attend state (in-person) one last time.

In addition to student accolades, theatre director Kate Torcom won the Rex Rabold Memorial Award.



Courtesy photo

RPA Theatre Troupe students from top to bottom, left to right: Cohen Flanagan, Kendra McGuire, Casey James, Allie Smith, Talon Confer, Lana Frisinger, Claire Gray, Ruby Boland, Lydia Carter and Katey James.

# Group calls on residents to support school

Spokesman staff report

A group in Redmond is asking local residents to help support the Redmond School District by "adopting" a local school for a week and making donations.

The group, Redmond Collective Action, said in a press release that it is calling on community members to make donations to M.A. Lynch Elementary School through April 15.

Among the group's ideas for donations are arts and crafts, books, school supplies, gift cards and other encouraging cards. The group also recommended that community members donate to music, art and English language learner programs.



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M.A. Lynch Elementary School is seen in this 2017 photo.

# Free boat inspection April 16 at Big Country RV

The Deschutes County Sheriff's Office will once again be providing an opportunity for boaters to have their boats inspected free of charge at three different locations in Deschutes County.

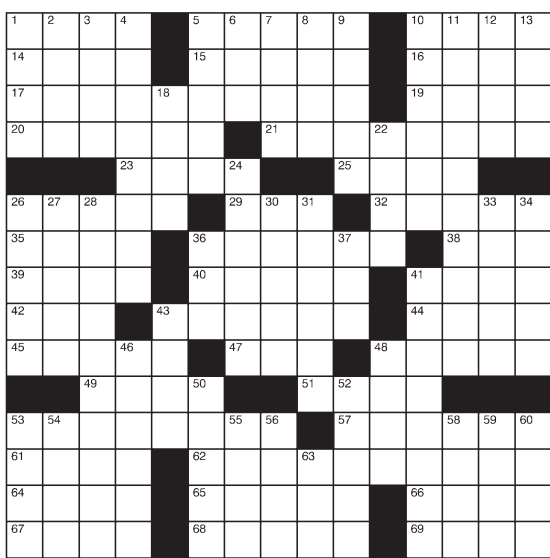
The inspections will be offered on Saturday on April 16 at

Big Country RV in Redmond. DCSO Marine Deputies and will be present between the hours of 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

For more information regarding boat safety inspections please contact the Special Services Division at 541-388-6501.

## CROSSWORD

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CREATORS NEWS SERVICE

By Neil Marausa

### ACROSS

- 1 Nixon cabinet member
- 5 Sheds
- 10 Lenin's predecessor
- 14 Dies
- 15 Barrel: helpless
- 16 Irk a bit
- 17 Oater equalizer
- 19 Draft animals
- 20 Masthead head
- 21 Experienced
- 23 Think tank output
- 25 California Indian
- 26 Vapors
- 29 Relief
- 32 Prevent, legally
- 35 Deity of discord
- 36 Wires
- 38 Seine sight
- 39 Barbershop call
- 40 Great expanse
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- 43 Growlups
- 44 Module
- 45 Yeggs' targets
- 47 Compass pt.
- 48 Assisi has three

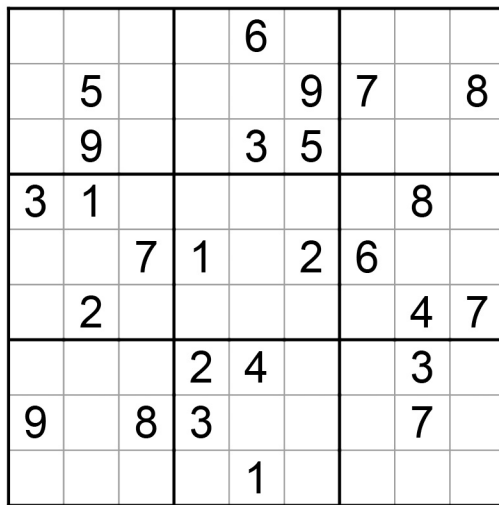
### DOWN

- 1 Sagacious
- 2 Barren
- 3 Hack
- 4 Most peevish
- 5 Poet Marianne
- 6 Ab: from the beginning
- 7 Allows
- 8 Arboretum sight
- 9 Miles, of movies
- 10 GIs
- 11 Iroquois-Tuscarora league
- 12 Away from the wind

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## SUDOKU

Fill in the grid so every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9, with no repeats.



MEDIUM

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Answers on Page 6

## WEATHER

### FORECAST

	HIGH	LOW	
Tuesday	45	26	Partly Cloudy
Wednesday	50	33	Cloudy
Thursday	51	28	Partly Cloudy
Friday	53	29	Cloudy
Saturday	55	30	Cloudy
Sunday	62	34	Partly Cloudy
Monday	68	34	Partly Cloudy

### LAST WEEK

	HIGH	LOW	PRECIP
Saturday, April 2	60	31	0
Sunday, April 3	59	31	0
Monday, April 4	52	32	0.1
Tuesday, April 5	49	22	0
Wednesday, April 6	65	16	0
Thursday, April 7	77	27	0
Friday, April 8	55	28	0

Precipitation to date this year: 1.25 inches

\* = daily record

National Weather Service broadcasts are on 162.50 mhz.

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