

# Knappa Wall of Fame adds talent

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The Knappa School District Saturday inducted Pamela Erickson, a former director of the Oregon Liquor Control Commission, and Doug Kraus, a director at Intel, into its Wall of Fame.

The Wall of Fame was started in 2006 and inducted its first members in 2007. It recognizes alumni who have excelled in their chosen field, and to inspire students who graduate from a small high school and show it does not limit their potential for success.

Erickson, who graduated from Knappa in 1963 and attended Portland State University and Georgetown University, has focused her career on law enforcement

and alcohol regulation. She was a Multnomah County sheriff's deputy, directed the Oregon Liquor Control Commission from 1996 to 2003 and runs Public Action Management, a national education campaign to help policymakers understand alcohol regulation.

At Knappa, she worked on the school newspaper, yearbook and was a cheerleader.

Douglas Kraus, who graduated from Knappa in 1982 and attended Stanford University, has worked for Intel most of his adult life. He started with Intel in Hillsboro and is now director of product engineers for the company in Chandler, Ariz. At Knappa, he was senior class president and a member of Future Farmers of America.



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Knappa School District welcomed Pamela Erickson, an alcohol regulation specialist, and Doug Kraus, an Intel director, into its Wall of Fame during Knappa High School's graduation Saturday.

# Job Corps students help with oil spill

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Five students from Tongue Point Job Corps Center traveled to Santa Barbara to help clean up the recent oil pipeline spill.

Erik Cruz, Kody Neil, Matthew Bosnich, Brandon Bogan and Keolahou Adams were among 300 volunteers who worked to clean up the damage after an oil pipeline ruptured May 19, spilling more than 100,000 gallons of crude oil into the Pacific Ocean near California's Refugio State Beach in Santa Barbara.

The students are trainees in the Tongue Point's seamanship program under the direction of retired Coast Guard Capt. Len Tumbarello. They piloted small boats and worked with divers to search for submerged oil and remove it from the ocean.

Representatives of Global Diving and Salvage, with whom the students worked and have trained as oil spill responders, lauded the Job Corps team's impact.



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Tongue Point Job Corps seamanship students Erik Cruz, Kody Neil, Matthew Bosnich, Brandon Bogan and Keolahou Adams helped clean up an oil spill near Santa Barbara, Calif.

The spill devastated the surrounding marine ecosystem. The Daily Californian reported Monday that as of Friday, 149 birds and 72 mammals were reported dead.

The Los Angeles Times reported that by Wednesday, more than 12,000 gallons of oily water and more than 5,000 cubic yards of oil-contaminated soil, sand and vegetation had been

removed through the cleanup efforts. The newspaper also reported that federal investigators found corrosion had eaten away half the thickness of the pipe's metal wall in the area of the spill.

# Work on bridge to finish before Labor Day weekend

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The Oregon Department of Transportation has decided to allow the contractor working on the Lewis and Clark River Bridge to do additional scheduled work past the original eight-month completion date of Aug. 1. However, the work will be completed, and the bridge open, before the Labor Day weekend.

While the closure is extended, the project is actually on schedule. In addition to the closure, which started Dec. 1, the contract allows for five one-week closures to allow for coating work, along with some of the rehabilitation work that will take place outside of the west approach span rebuild closure. The contractor has chosen to pursue doing the majority of this work at the

same time, past Aug. 1 to Sept. 4.

"This really made sense since the closure has been already in place and the public has adjusted to it," said Dave True, ODOT's project manager in Astoria. "It is good news because we will be completely finished with the Lewis and Clark River Bridge by Labor Day, and there will be no more complete closures of the bridge."

The bridge work is part of a larger \$16.7 million rehabilitation project, scheduled to be completed in November 2017, that also includes the Old Youngs Bay Bridge. The first segment of work on Old Youngs Bay is the replacement of the old electrical system. Most of the work on Old Youngs

Bay is being done during the daytime, with flaggers controlling a single lane of traffic.

For information about construction activities, go to <http://1.usa.gov/1BUH-jj0>

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