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## LIVING GENEROUSLY



Recently Dave Nelson, who loves the Trail Blazers, was checking out their website, and came across their contest page, where the "Crown Royal Live Generously Fan Contest" caught his eye (https://tinyurl.com/crownfan).

"I was curious, and opened it to see what it was about. It was to nominate someone who gives generously in our community. Immediately, Coral Cook's name came to mind." With good reason — she volunteers her time for several local organizations.

On Nov. 17, Dave received a voicemail saying Coral's nomination had been selected, and that she would be honored at Saturday's game versus the Sacramento Kings. "Of course, in my telling her about this, she was in total shock, and thought it was a joke," Dave recalled. Which isn't all that surprising, considering, as he admitted, "I can be known as a prankster." A mutual friend who was with her when Dave called with the news thought Coral was going to pass out.

Coral and her daughter, Brandi, received two lower level tickets to the game, and participated in the T-shirt exchange - they each received an autographed shirt from a player (Coral, Noah Vonleh, and Brandi, Maurice Harkless). "Later, Public Address Announcer Mark Mason read my submission about Coral," Dave added, "and she was presented with a gift pack from the Blazers and Crown Royal." Coral and Brandi were also featured on the Jumbotron; they are pictured with Blaze the Trail Cat, the Trail Blazers mascot.

"I'm not one to like all that to happen," Coral said, "but it sure was fun. They included my daughter, and I was just tickled to death '

## FINGERS CROSSED FOR TURKEY



Yurkey, the olive ridley sea turtle found stranded on Wash-L ington's Benson Beach, has passed an important milestone: She was successfully moved to a shallow water holding space. Turkey is pictured, courtesy of the Oregon Coast Aquarium, where she was taken on Thanksgiving Day, weak, dehydrated and hypothermic. She probably had not eaten in a month or more. The turtle has had X-rays and blood draws, all while her body temperature is slowly being raised with climate control. The next goal is to have her accept food. While aquarium staff is optimistic, she remains lethargic, and her recovery is still uncertain. If you find a sea turtle on the beach, here's what you need to do: Note its location, remain nearby to observe it, and contact the Oregon State Police Tipline at 800-452-7888 or the Marine Mammal Stranding Network at 866-767-6114.

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**TOBY AND BUDDY** 

wo well-loved dogs, due to an unfortunate situation, need a forever home, or a foster home until a forever home can be found. They belong to Ashley Agee-Cazanas' mother-in-law, who is terminally ill, and can no longer care for Toby, age 13 (white muzzle), and Buddy, age 9. Some photos are at https://tinyurl.com/TobyBuddy

"My mother-in-law took these two boys in from shelters in Hood River years ago," Ashley wrote. "She has given them the best life. You would not believe the attention and diligence she put forth in giving them the best home."

For the time being, the dogs are staying with Ashley (who already has two dogs), while her husband, Jacque, is caring for his mother full time at her home in Portland. "He is her only relative," Ashley explained, "and with all four dogs and our 17-month-old, it is not possible for me to be there by his side. If we find homes for Toby and Buddy, I can bring our two dogs, and our daughter, and stay near to my husband to offer help and support. But until that happens, we are here at our home in Nehalem, and he is there."

Toby seems to hear well, but she's not sure about his vision. He loves to play and take walks but can only be on his feet for so long before needing to rest. He gets around pretty well but needs frequent potty breaks. Buddy is a sweet, loving snuggler who has some hip problems and needs to rest after any outing.

Both get along well with adults, kids of all ages and other dogs. If you are interested in adopting or fostering Toby and Buddy, contact the Angels for Sara Sanctuary (www.angelsforsarasanctuary.com) at 503-325-2772 or angelsforsara@gmail.com

"I would prefer to keep these boys," Ashley added. "It's breaking my heart to let them go, but I know that if we can find a good place for them, everyone will be better off. We can provide months of supply of dog food, and they have their own beds/leashes and food and water bowls." They also have an appointment to get their shots up to date.

"They are sweet boys," she observed, "and deserve a loving place to be."

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# **SOMETHING POIGNANT**



6 Toften see family photos at thrift stores and antique shops, and wonder about the people in the photos, and why their families didn't care enough to preserve the photos," Judi Palumbo of Cannon Beach posted on her Facebook page. "Sometimes there is something poignant about a particular photo, and I wonder what the backstory is."

Especially when she recently found a photo of a newlywed Japanese couple, dated Aug. 24, 1940, in Kauai, Hawaii, taken about 16 months before the attack on Pearl Harbor. It is shown, courtesy of Takasawa Studio/Judi Palumbo.

"On the off-chance they were interned and their household goods confiscated, I would love to try and get this photo back to the family," she wrote, encouraging people to share her post.

It worked. The Honolulu Civil Beat ran a story Nov. 22, reporting that a Kauai woman, Tammy Puu, saw the Facebook post and identified the pair as her grandparents, the late Sueno (left) and Yoshio Miyazaki (https://tinyurl.com/judipix). She had no idea how the photo wound up in Oregon, since she has no relatives here.

The news story doesn't elaborate, but the Miyazakis were possibly not interned. Although there were several internment sites in Hawaii, an NBC News report says only the leaders of the Japanese, German and Italian-American communities were confined (https://tinyurl.com/17Hawaii).

Growing up, Puu was close to her grandparents, who divorced for a few years. "If a man leaves you and decides he wants to come back, make sure he buys you a bigger house and a bigger diamond," her grandmother advised her.

To reconcile, Yoshio did just that. "He built a new house for them in Lawai," Puu recalled, "with a mango tree and a lychee tree, and my grandmother got a bigger diamond." This time they stayed together. "Getting this photograph back in our hands," Puu told Civil

Beat, "means more than anything."



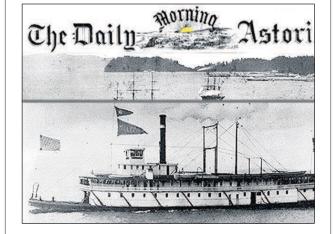


## **'PINK PICKLES'**



Wondering about those largish "pink pickles" that are washing ashere on level 1 and 2 m ing ashore on local beaches? They're pyrosomes (pyrosome atlanticum), according to the Seaside Aquarium, who posted the photo shown on their Facebook page. These particular critters are "a little longer than a hand," but can reach 24 inches.

"This colony of animals is comprised of thousands of individual zooids and moves through the water column by the means of cilia," the post says. "They filter plankton out of the water for food and are known for bight displays of bioluminescence. ... It's one of the few pyrosomes that make it to the West Coast of the U.S., much less Oregon's waters."



ridbits from the Wednesday, Nov. 30, 1887 edition of **The Daily Morning Astorian**:

City auditor Jewett has a dog that before the burning of the Telephone (pictured) was a valuable bird dog; but since then (the brute being aboard at the time of the fire) the sound of a gun makes the poor animal run, not having yet got over its scare.

*Note:* When the fire broke out earlier in November, Capt. Uriah Bonsor Scott beached the sternwheeler at 20 mph within three minutes of the fire's start. No wonder the dog was traumatized (http://tinyurl.com/scott-tele).

• The government has been weighing mail matter that passes over the Oregon Short Line for the past 20 days. The mail is just three times heavier than it was at the same time last year ... indisputable evidence of the increased growth of the country.

Note: The Oregon Short Line Railroad operated from 1881 to 1987, mainly as a subsidiary of the Union Pacific Railroad, and was touted as having the shortest route from Wyoming to Oregon (https://tinyurl.com/WyoOr).

 At the city council meeting last evening: A communication was read from Chief Engineer Worsley stating that it was the intention of Rescue No. 2 Engine Company to permanently place a team of horses in the engine building to draw the engine to fires. ... The petition was unanimously granted.

• A Long Island (Washington) man recently ate 75 clams at one sitting, and won \$100 (about \$2,300 now) by the feat. After defraying his funeral expenses, there was \$20 left.

Casquatch's mysterious Tibetan first cousin, Yeti (aka the Dabominable snowman), who has been terrorizing the Himalayans for decades, has come under scrutiny lately by the University of Buffalo (https://tinyurl.com/UByeti). Lots of physical specimens have been collected, and biologist Charlotte Lindqvist and her team examined nine of them to see what Yeti's made of.

The answer: Eight of the samples contained bear DNA (Tibetan brown and Asian black), and the ninth turned out to be from a dog. "Our findings strongly suggest that the biological underpinnings of the Yeti legend can be found in local bears," Lindqvist said, "and our study demonstrates that genetics should be able to unravel other, similar mysteries."

Some mysteries are more fun left unraveled.

## NIFTY AT 50



light Network, which proclaims itself to be the "largest travel r agency that is both owned and operated in Canada," showed some love to Cannon Beach in a recent blog posting, declaring the coastal town to be No. 50 in "The World's 50 Best Beaches" (https://tinyurl.com/FNCB50). Cannon Beach is pictured, courtesy of Flight Network, who consulted over 600 of the "world's best travel journalists, editors, bloggers and agencies" to create the list.

Don't be miffed that Cannon Beach didn't rate higher. It's the only U.S. mainland beach chosen and, since NASA says there are about 372,000 miles of coastline in the world (https://tinyurl.com/ nasacoast), being No. 50 ain't so bad.

## COMMUNITY NOTES

#### TONIGHT

Yoga Gypsy Open House — 6 to 9 p.m., 399 31st St. Hosted by Sally Anderson, there are refreshments and music. Bring an ornament to hang on the solstice tree. For information on class times and workshops, go to www.yogagypsysally.com, call 503-440-0735, or email yogagypsy2018@gmail.com

#### SATURDAY

Sit & Stitch — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Homespun Quilts & Yarn, 108 10th St. Bring knitting, crochet or other needlework projects to this community stitching time. All skill levels welcome.

Detachment 1228 Marine Corps League - noon, El Compadre, 119 Main Ave., Warrenton. For information, contact Lou Neubecker at 503-717-0153.

#### Columbia Northwestern Model Railroading Club — 1 p.m., in Hammond. Group runs trains on HO-scale layout. For information,

call Don Carter at 503-325-0757.

Spinning Circle — 1 to 3 p.m., Astoria Fiber Arts Academy, 1296 Duane St. Bring a spinning wheel. For information, call 503-325-5598 or go to http://astoriafiberarts.com

#### SUNDAY

Line Dancing — 5:30 to 8 p.m., Seaside American Legion, 1315 Broadway. For information, call 503-738-5111. No cost; suggested \$5 tip to the instructor.

Seekers Group - 6 to 7:30 p.m., Pioneer Presbyterian Church, 33324 Patriot Way, Warrenton. Group discusses issues facing religious faith in the modern secular world. All are welcome. For information, call 503-861-2421.

#### MONDAY

**Chair Exercises for Seniors** - 9 to 9:45 a.m., Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange St. For information, call 503-325-3231

Scandinavian Workshop -10 a.m., First Lutheran Church, 725 33rd St. Needlework, hardanger, knitting, crocheting, embroidery and quilting. All are welcome. For information, call 503-325-1364 or 503-325-7960.

Grace and Encouragement for Moms — 10 to 11:30 a.m., Crossroads Community Church, 40618 Old Highway 30, Svensen. GEMS group is a time for moms to relax and enjoy each others' company. Free childcare is provided. For information, call Rachael Biddlecome at 503-458-6103.

Senior Lunch — 11:30 a.m., Bob Chisholm Senior Center, 1225 Avenue A, Seaside. Suggested donation \$3 for those older than 60; \$6.75 for those younger than 60. For information, call Michelle Lewis at 503-861-4200.

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