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Because of the fires in that area over the years, Goodenberger is skeptical that the marker could have survived for any long period



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Students in the college's historic preservation program could help research an old cemetery.

of time, or that other artifacts remain.

department has no plans to develop or clean up the area where Clatsop Cemetery once was.

“Certainly from the information that we’ve received in knowing

that there may be some artifacts out there, we've approached that pretty carefully," he said, adding that any work they do would be in conjunction with the college's his-

toric preservation program.

In the meantime, the preservation program, run by Goodenberger and Lucien Swerdloff, plans to pursue two grants from the state. The first would allow students to perform preservation tasks at Ocean View. The other would allow for research and documentation on Clatsop Cemetery. They could look at any other existing artifacts from the area and potentially propose preservation of the discovered marker.

If it is determined that the marker was a piece of the entrance, the preservation program could also be a part of Ellsberg's project to rebuild it.

As the mystery of what else may lie underneath remains, Goodenberger thinks it should be treated as an archaeological site.

“At this point, I think the best thing to do is document it, and leave it alone until the time when we have the tools and the money to go in and carefully clean up the landscape and take care of whatever graves might exist, if any,” he said.

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The court dismissed the case late last week.

Miller and Tuckman, who were among the many restaurant owners who opposed the ballot measure ahead of the election, could not be reached for comment.

The county declined to comment.



Lydia Ely/The Astorian

A legal challenge to a food tax has failed.

**TAX REVENUE WILL BE SPLIT BETWEEN
THE CITY AND CANNON BEACH RURAL
FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT.**

Measure 4-210 was approved in a 380-374 vote. The city expects to begin collecting the tax in July.

City Manager Bruce

St. Denis has defended the opening of the drop box in front of City Hall. He said people had shoved several ballots into the side of the

box and city staff wanted to make sure the ballots were protected from the rain. He and Karen LaBonte, the city's public works director, unlocked the box and put the ballots inside.

County elections staff have said St. Denis and LaBonte did not violate any rules.

Meanwhile, the drop box in Seaside was not considered an official drop-off location.

Krevanko picked up two ballots in the Seaside drop box after the election, but they were considered too late to count and never opened.

The tax is estimated to generate \$1.7 million annually, which will be split between the city and Cannon Beach Rural Fire Protection District.

The city will use its portion to help fund a new City Hall and police station, while the fire district plans to use its share for operations as calls for emergency service continue to rise.

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The caution comes as social services advocates and law enforcement see an increase in the use of synthetic opioids like fentanyl, which is significantly stronger than morphine and heroin and can be blended with street drugs.

"A lot of times the person taking it doesn't know that there's something else. So that is leading to a lot of overdoses, as well," King said. "Using prescription

opioids with other medications or substances like alcohol or benzodiazepines can make you more at risk for overdose. It's everywhere."

Anyone can be at risk for overdosing. "It isn't just someone that we see in our syringe exchange weekly," she said. "It can be family, friends, co-workers or patrons."

Narcan, designed to deliver naloxone nasally during an overdose, is provided at needle exchanges and to community organiza-

tions, including emergency responders and businesses. People exiting jail are also provided Narcan in the belief that they're at high risk for overdoses, King said.

"We also provide naloxone at the health department and people with Oregon Health Plan can get it for free from their local pharmacy," she said.

Brian Owen, the CEO of the chamber, said he is moving forward with connecting hotel staff and others to the program and offering train-

ing at designated locations.

"It's going to take some time, it's going to take some conversation," he said. "We're educating and getting this resource into the hands of our hotels, restaurants, retailers."

"We have a better opportunity to save that first five minutes before our medical first responders and that's what this is really geared toward: It's to get the right people on the scene at that time. And for you then to step back."

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