

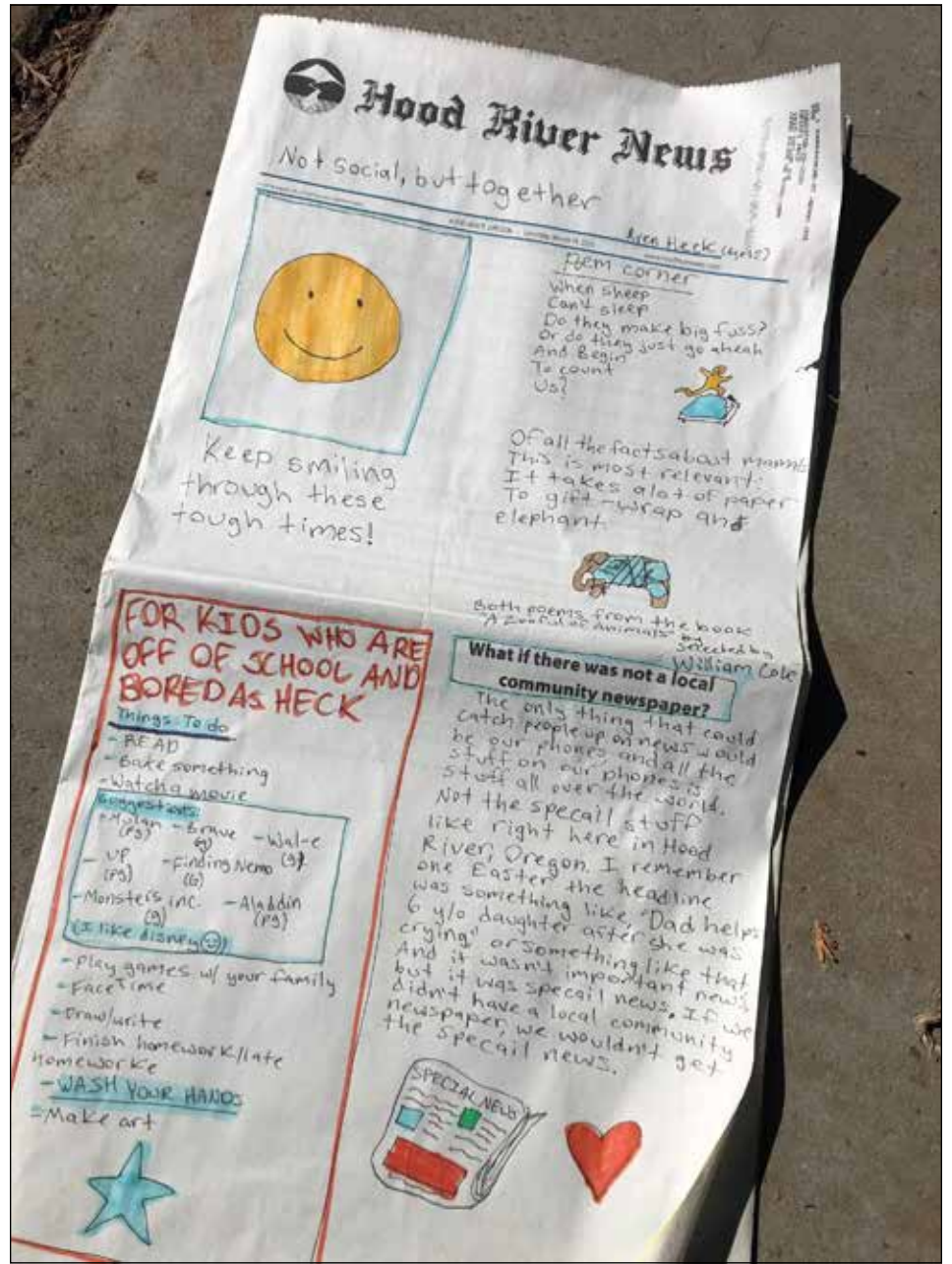
# KidSpace

## On Stage

Early March was a busy time in local theater as three local productions full of Gorge youths prepared for performances. However, with school closures and community cancellations due to coronavirus concerns, all three productions did not come close to finishing their scheduled runs (as well as the adult "West Side Story" from CGOA at Wy'east Performing Arts Center). With these photos, we look back on the spring season-that-didn't-happen, in recognition of the time and effort put into the productions by cast and crew. At right, Hanna Clute (Wilbur the Pig) and friends in a scene from "Charlotte's Web" at Columbia Center for the Arts, which lasted one performance. Below, the cast of "Seussical: The Musical" at Horizon Christian School, Ella Harty and Sophie Thornburg guide the goslings on stage in "Charlotte's Web," and Bridgette Johnston as Sebastian the lobster, left, and Abriela Lopez as Flounder, lead the rest of the "The Little Mermaid" cast in "Under the Sea," at Hood River Middle School. Photos by Kirby Neumann-Rea



## 'The Special News'



Ryen Heck, 12 years old and a seventh-grader at Hood River Middle School, took advantage of the March 14 "blank front page" to create her own edition of the Hood River News. Wrote her mother, Kristi Heck, "Thanks for the quarantine activity." Our thanks to Ryen for her creativity, humor, and helpful information — much of it good for folks of any age. (The blank pages were a four-page wrap around the actual edition; inside were information on News and Chronicle staff members as well as benefits of supporting community newspapers, and information on the recent Kids Classified competition, won by Ben Tama, first; Pavlik Zavadsky, second; Rohan Faber, third; Wyatt Burkhardt, runner up, and Hailey Harjo, runner-up.) Submitted photo

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