# Cottage Grove Retrospective

A look back at Sentinel stories from 10 and 80 years ago

Feb. 21, 1935

#### Feminine has influence on irate motorists

Elbert Bede and George Barringer were in Salem Monday night attending the annual session of the third house, satire on the regular house. Session clerks, reporters, lobbyists and hasbeens took the place of regular members and clerks. Bede filled his old position as reading clerk.

On their way home the two Cottage Grove men had the pleasure of extricating themselves from the inside of the Barringer roadster while it was lying on its side. The car got itself into the embarrassing position when the driver shoved his foot on the brake to avoid striking a car which suddenly appeared ahead. The Barringer car skidded on the pavement, wet from a heavy fog. Fortunately there was no ditch and it eased over on its side after stopping against an embankment.

The car that suddenly appeared in the road had been parked on the highway with its lights off while an effort was being made to replace a punctured tire and its lights were suddenly switched on to warn the approaching Cottage Grove car. A front wheel on the Barringer gave way, but the spokes did not break. The wheel was made serviceable

and the trip completed.

When the Cottage Grove men extricated themselves from their car they were prepared to tell the occupants of the offending car what they thought of them, but when two women, who had anxiously assisted the men from their cramped position in the driver's compartment, gave the information that they were the occupants of the other

car, a different kind of language than intended was used. The girls had a decided Swedish accent. One of the Cottage Grove men, having lived in Minnesota, was able to carry on a conversation with them, with the result that aid was given in changing the tire for the girls and all concerned continued happily on



Feb. 23, 2005: Heritage and History — Tom McVey plays a traditional Scottish melody on the bagpipes in front of the Cottage Grove Genealogical Society library Saturday. The Society celebrated its 30th anniversary with an open house and demonstrations on documenting family history.

**Cottage Grove Police Department 24-Hour Anonymous Tip Line: 767-0504** 

Feb. 10

Theft - shoplift, Discount Smokes

The reporting person said that a female left the store without paying for three EA water pipes valued at \$700. The suspect was last seen on Main St in a black Chevy pickup truck.

Feb. 11

Shots fired, Goodwill

Multiple callers reported hearing a single gunshot near the rear of the

Feb. 12

Noise complaint, E Jefferson Ave

The caller said a group of seven or eight subjects in the garage area of the house were screaming, shouting and appeared to have lit off a flare. The caller said this has been an ongoing problem with the subjects.

Feb. 15

Criminal mischief, Hwy 99

Reporting person said that juveniles in the skate park threw unknown red liquid on his vehicle and requested an officer to contact possible suspects.

**Assault, E Quincy Ave** 

During a welfare check, officers were contacted by a victim who said she'd been assaulted by the suspect over the past two days. The victim had a black eye and potentially a broken leg and internal bleeding. Officers' attempts to contact the suspect were negative.

Mental, S 10th

A caller said that someone was pumping chemicals into her house, making it smell. She also said she was seeing people in "neutral colors," climbing into the trash, riding bikes and sitting on her porch.

Feb. 16

Hit and run – property, 14th St

The caller said his vehicle was just hit and rolled on its side. The suspect's vehicle was found unoccupied at 15th St and Madison Ave.

# City Beat

### "If I Were Mayor" contest

The Oregon Mayors Association is once again sponsoring the "If I Were Mayor" contest. Educators have been contacted, and the City continue to promote the opportunity among any youth group or organiza-The contest consists of

a poster contest for fourth and fifth-grade age youth; an essay contest for sixth through eighthgrade youth and a video/Power Point presentation for 9-12th grade youth. There are local cash prizes, and the winning local entry in each category competes for the statewide prize or an iPad Air. For more information visit the City of Cottage Grove website at www.cottagegrove.org.

#### Take back the parks

The City regularly experiences vandalism and property damage throughout the community in the form of graffiti other damage, which costs the community a sizable amount of money. City officials say a rash of recent vandalism is a catalyst for a five-pronged approach to try to reduce the vandalism. A video of recent vandalism in Bohemia Park has been posted on the City's Facebook page. With the video are five suggestions for citizens to take back their parks:

information regarding who is responsible for vandalism please report it to the Police Department at (541)942-9145. Pay attention to any activi-

If you recognize or hear any

ties in the park. Let them see that you see them. If you feel comfortable or safe, ask for the improper behavior to stop.

Call 9-1-1 to report the activity. Don't call just because there is someone hanging out in the park, but to report damage or other inappropriate behavior. Take pictures or videos with

your cellphone and email them to the Police Department.

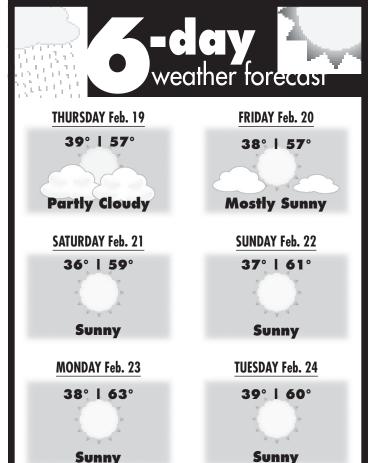
Volunteer to be a Park Ambassador.

A Park Ambassador is a volunteer that spends time in the park and assists visitors with information about the community as well as having access to games or play equipment that can be used in the park by visitors. The ambassadors would be a set of eyes in the park and would be in touch with the Police Department and City staff to report any problems in the park.

The City would like to kick off the Park Ambassador program this Spring once volunteers are trained.

The City feels that the presence of the Ambassador would also deter the daytime vandalism, and with the games and play equipment it would help combat the age-old excuse that there is nothing to do. Volunteers could volunteer for an hour or two at a time throughout the week. Those interested in learning

more about being a Park Ambassador or signing up to be one are urged to call the City Manager at (541)942-5501.



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**JOYCE** 

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not expecting me to be perfect; He wants me to do my best to be in His will and take steps of faith as He leads me, through His Word and the promptings He speaks to my heart. Remember, He wants us to put our confidence in Him. God really does want to speak to you personally and lead you in His great plan for your life. So don't be afraid to step out and do what's in your heart. If you make a mistake, you'll learn from it and go on. That's how we "step out and find out." And we all have to do

I want to encourage you to begin making confessions every day that will help you grow in your faith and confidence in God. We need to make declarations like, "God loves me. He wants to speak to my heart. I can hear from God. He is faithful to me and will lead me in His will for my life. And I believe it will be exactly as God has told me!" By God's grace, we can be bold in faith and overcome every attack of doubt during the storms





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From Friday, February 27, 2015 at 8:30 AM through Friday, March 6, 2015 at 4:00 PM, the Housing And Community Services Agency of Lane County (HACSA) will temporarily open its Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher waiting list to low income families through an on-line (Internet) application process. All pre-applications received during this period will be eligible for a random drawing where applications will be selected for the waiting list. No paper applications will be accepted. To apply, go directly to https://www. waitlistcheck.com/OR649 or, for additional information and a link to the on-line application, go to our web site at www.hacsa.org or call 541-682-7417.

Si usted desea escuchar esta información en español, por favor llame a la Agencia de Viviendas (Housing Agency) 541-682-2603.

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