

# Cottage Grove Retrospective

A look back at Sentinel stories from 10 and 40 years ago

March 27, 1975

## Work on bike path to begin

Cottage Grove area residents will be able to use a city bike path sometime this summer if everything goes according to schedule.

The planned path will be an 8-foot wide asphalt surface that will begin near the city's sewage treatment plant on Douglas Street and snake its way for approximately one mile to Thornton Lane.

According to City Manager Phil Kushlan, the proposed path will run through a 46-acre wedge of city-owned regional park property located north of the I-5 connector road, east of Highway 99 and West of I-5. The Property's northern boundary is the confluence of the Row and Coast Fork rivers.

Mr. Kushlan said recently that the \$22,000 project should begin in mid-May and will take 80 to 90 days to complete. City crews will handle the construction work on the project including clearing, blading, graveling and putting down the asphalt.

Funds for the project are from the Bureau of Outdoor recreation and have been available to the city since 1971, Kushlan said.

"It had a low priority among all the other things we were doing," Mr. Kushlan said, commenting on the time lag. "It kind of worked its way to the top."

The Thornton Lane ending requires the path to loop under the I-5 freeway where the highway crosses Row River and run eastward to meet the street. A second phase of the bike-path project, for which funds are not yet available, anticipates taking the path from Thornton Lane eastward past the airport, along Row River Road.

"It's going to be basically a natural bike-path area," Mr. Kushlan explained. "It's not going to require concentrated maintenance."

**March 30, 2005: Classic tower restored — This 1930s airway beacon has a new home, at the Oregon Aviation History Center on Jim Wright Field at Cottage Grove Airport.**



## POLICE BLOTTER

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

March 23

### Criminal mischief, S. 10th St

A complainant at the station reported damage to windows at the location occurring sometime over the weekend. The damage was estimated to be \$100.

March 24

### Disorderly subject, Safeway

The caller said that a male, who was last seen at the west entrance of the business, was pulling trash out of a can and screaming at it while flailing his arms and shouting at no one.

The suspect was transported directly to the Lane County Jail, due to threatening and violent behavior.

March 25

### Theft, Yorkies

The caller said his wallet was stolen sometime in January, and since that time an unknown suspect had charged up \$1000 on his Paypal account.

### Suspicious condition, Bohemia Park

The complainant said a Hispanic female with red hair was

defecating in the park next to the bathrooms.

March 26

### Domestic disturbance, Shell Station

The caller said the suspect put a knife to her throat and said that he was going to his brother's house to kill him next. A bystander was able to pull the suspect away and calm him down. The suspect was last seen on foot near the Forest Valley Clinic. All parties were contacted and advised to have no more contact with each other.

## OFFBEAT

Continued from page 4A

The state Democratic Party he autocratically led was resolutely moderate by the standards of the day, and the acrimony between his "Salem clique" and Joseph Lane's pro-slavery Southern Democrats was getting harsher by the day.

So when he got wind of the plot to secede, this time Bush was having none of it.

"What a ridiculous figure would the Pacific Republic cut among the nations," he jeered. "With a population of little more than half a million? With Mexico upon one side, British Columbia on the other, a defenseless sea-coast in front, and a horde of hostile savages and marauding Mormons in the rear, and unable to protect ourselves

on any side, we could only preserve our existence by forming an alliance with some powerful government which could afford us protection at the price of our liberty."

Once the cat was out of the bag, word of the plot went through Salem and Portland like chain lightning, and the reaction was almost universally negative. It irreparably damaged Joseph Lane's reputation and ended his career in Oregon politics. And it galvanized Asahel Bush's moderate Democrats into making an informal coalition with the new state Republicans to form a sort of fusion ticket for the state's senators, with the sole object of locking Lane and his Southern Democrats out of power.

(As a side note, the Repub-

## Beeper Show to start at 9 a.m.

It looks like fans of Cottage Grove's most popular radio talk show will now have an extra half-hour for morning activities before it begins.

Cameron Reiten, owner of radio station KNND, said that as long as he can remember, the station's Beeper Show has been on the air from 8:30-9:30 a.m., a time he's heard is too early for some.

"Some people are telling us they can't listen at 8:30 because they're getting the kids off to

school or for other reasons," Reiten said. "They say they're missing the first half of the show."

In a change that began Monday, KNND will now start the Beeper Show at 9 a.m., which will run until 10 a.m. and lead directly into Swap and Shop.

"We're responding to comments we've heard in a way we hope will make our morning lineup flow more smoothly," Reiten said.

## CITY BEAT

### West Coast Regional Summit

City Manager Richard Meyers attended the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) West Coast Regional Summit in Portland with about 140 other local government leaders from Alaska, Oregon, Washington, California, Nevada and Utah. The managers reviewed recent work by author Daniel Pink regarding citizen engagement. The managers also discussed performance measurement tools and programs.

### 'If I Were Mayor' Contest

The deadline is quickly approaching for entries the "If I Were Mayor" youth contest. Youth in the community are eligible for local cash prizes. Visit the City's website for more information and entry forms.

### Fleet maintenance training

Fleet and Facilities Supervisor Russ Kaleese attended the 65th Annual Vehicle Maintenance Management Conference in Seattle March 24-26. The

conference is the premier West Coast educational conference for the vehicle maintenance industry. Agencies from Canada, California, Washington, Idaho and Oregon were represented. This is the 18th year that Kaleese has attended the educational conference where he also serves as a Trustee on the Board of Directors.

This year's conference focused on new fleet technology, specifically new engine designs, fuel saving practices, hybrid technologies, shop management, and diesel engine servicing. The City Shop maintains and repairs over 300 pieces of rolling stock ranging from mowers, golf carts, and ATVs to 10-yard dump trucks and backhoes.

### Looking Glass Rural Program

At the March 23 City Council meeting, Lorinda Wolfard, Program Supervisor, and Kirstin London, Services Director with Looking Glass Youth and Family Services, gave a presentation to the Council about the programs they offer. They are looking for host homes to provide short-term shelter (up to 21 days) for youth to help end or avoid homelessness. Those interested in learning more about being a host home, contact Lorinda or Kirstin at (541) 767-3823.

## Protect your world

Auto • Home • Life • Retirement



### Call me today to discuss your options.

Some people think Allstate only protects your car. Truth is, Allstate can also protect your home or apartment, your boat, motorcycle - even your retirement and your life. And the more of your world you put in Good Hands®, the more you can save.



**ERIK BENSON**  
541-942-2605

130 GATEWAY BLVD  
COTTAGE GROVE  
erikbenon@allstate.com



Insurance subject to terms, qualifications and availability. Allstate Property and Casualty Insurance Co., Allstate Fire and Casualty Insurance Co., Allstate Indemnity Co., Allstate Vehicle and Property Insurance Co. Life insurance and annuities issued by Lincoln Benefit Life Company, Lincoln, NE. Allstate Life Insurance Company, Northbrook, IL. In New York, Allstate Life Insurance Company of New York, Hauppauge, NY. Northbrook, IL. © 2010 Allstate Insurance Co.

## 6-day weather forecast

THURSDAY April 2

33° | 58°



Mostly Sunny

FRIDAY April 3

36° | 61°



P.M. Showers

SATURDAY April 4

38° | 55°



Showers

SUNDAY April 5

37° | 53°



Showers

MONDAY April 6

37° | 53°



Showers

TUESDAY April 7

39° | 55°



Showers

## 2X12 CEDAR FOR RAISED BEDS



LANDSCAPE AND  
BUILDING MATERIALS  
Open 7 days a week!  
79149 N. River Road

541-942-4664

U-HAUL  
AUTHORIZED DEALER

## Cottage Grove Area Habitat for Humanity®

# RESTORE

NOW OPEN EVERY  
WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY  
FROM 10AM-4PM

We need volunteers for the  
ReStore ~ a few hours  
each month! Will you help?

Habitat Office and Warehouse  
2155 Getty Circle ~ Unit #1  
in the Cottage Grove Industrial Park  
South on Hwy 99 past the High School



Call 541.767.0358  
for more information  
Email  
info@habitatcg.org

## Automotive Specialties

PRACTICING THE ART OF TRANSMISSION REPAIR SINCE 1991

- ✓ Manual & Automatic Transmission Repair
  - ✓ Tune ups
  - ✓ 30-60-90K Services
  - ✓ Brakes, belts, hoses and cooling system services
  - ✓ Mufflers & Custom Exhaust
  - ✓ Drive-train repair such as clutches, u joints and differentials
- All makes and models.

MAINTAINING YOUR VEHICLE AFFORDABLY

WE LIVE IN THE SAME TOWN WE WORK IN  
"NO MONKEY BUSINESS!"

www.automotivespecialties.biz

DUSTIN TULLAR & RUSS OWENS  
541-942-8022 • COTTAGE GROVE