

Pinwheels, colors draw awareness to 90 by 30 effort

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Representatives of Lane County's 90 by 30 campaign in Cottage Grove are working to raise awareness of issues related to child abuse in the community to commemorate April as Child Abuse Prevention Month, and judging by the buzz created by a few of the group's installations downtown, Grovers are indeed taking notice.

Last week, flower planters downtown were festooned with the blue colors and pinwheels symbolic of the 90 by 30 campaign, which aims to reduce child abuse in Lane County 90 percent by 2030. Further displays can be found at the Cottage Grove Library, where a tabletop setting of brilliant blue is meant to symbolize family togetherness, according to Pete Barrell, a member of the 90 by 30 campaign and the City of Cottage Grove's Community Services Director.

Barrell said 90 by 30 has drawn together representatives of the major agencies charged with combating child abuse in South Lane County, adding that regional leadership teams are also forming. A 2011 forum introduced the public to



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Cottage Grove Community Services Director Pete Barrell and Community Coordinator Teresa Cowan examine a display of the 90 by 30 campaign at the Cottage Grove Library.

the 90 by 30 effort, which was spearheaded by representatives of the University of Oregon's School of Education, CASA of Lane County and Lane County Health and Human Services, according to the organization's website. It states that the group is advocating a three-step process to meet its goal: Recognizing that all Lane County residents have a role in preventing child abuse; ensuring that all residents know how to promote a safe community and promising that

all can act to prevent child abuse.

Barrell said that local efforts in South Lane County include a survey of the community's needs related to risk factors for child abuse in addition to basic awareness of abuse prevention. Those interested in more information about the group or learning how to become involved can call South Lane Team Co-chairs Karla Snell at 541-579-7852 or Colleen Stewart at 541-514-3819.

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Amazing grace...how sweet the sound! How great Thou art! Jesus, Jesus, Jesus...There's just something about that Name! Praise God from Whom all blessings flow! These are all lyrics to a few old hymns of the church. Their words convey a certain wonder and adoration of the greatness of God. This kind of wide-eyed, jaw-dropping amazement should certainly promote a hopeful outlook on life.

Today we have numerous ways to experience God's goodness. We can watch and listen to Bible teachings on TV, radio and the Internet, find encouragement in social media, listen to uplifting music, read inspiring books...the list is almost endless. Sadly, it still seems that a lot of our reverence for God is gone from the Church at large.

Even with all the ways the Word is available to us, it seems as though we have lost some of the respect we once had, and familiarity may be the culprit. Now, it's not that familiarity is a bad thing necessarily, but when something—or someone—becomes common or ordinary to us, we begin to take it for granted and it is no longer special.

I believe that is what has happened.

Born again, not bored again. If we can't find anything else to be amazed about, we can at least rejoice that we will live for eternity! But in the meantime, there is much more to inspire our wide-eyed wonder; all we have to do is simply pay attention.

Think back to a time shortly after you were born again. How did you feel? Were you extremely happy? Were you amazed by the presence of God, His grace,

Living amazed: guarding against becoming too familiar

His love for you? How did you express your love and gratitude to Him? Did you laugh, cry or dance before Him? Did you shout praises to Him or maybe bow in silent reverence? Whatever you did was your expression of the value, or importance, of your new and growing relationship with God.

It was the same for the Children of Israel. The Ark of the Covenant was extremely important to the Israelites because it contained the presence of God. It was holy and revered. It was special—so special it could not be touched by human hands. They inserted poles through rings on its sides in order to carry the Ark because no one could touch it. The presence of God was sacred to them. The Ark went before them ev-

erywhere they went. They followed it—followed God—into battle...and when they did, they won every conflict.

But when Israel began to get too familiar—to take the presence of God for granted—their enemies began defeating them in battle. The Philistines actually took the Ark away from them. They lost the presence, the glory of God! And even when they eventually got the Ark back, some of them treated it disrespectfully by touching it and as a result, many of them fell over dead. (See 1 Samuel 4-6.)

It might seem that much of the glory of God is gone from the Church today. And maybe it's for the very same reason: because we have lost our rev-

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Eileen Aanrud 1925-2015



Eileen Aanrud of Cottage Grove died on April 2 at the age of 89. She was born on October 30, 1925 in Conemaugh, PA to William and Marie (Burger) Diamond. She married Richard Aanrud on January 10, 1945 in New York, NY, and traveled all over the country, including to Cuba, as a Navy spouse. She was a wonderful mother and grandmother. She was also an accomplished seamstress. She worked as a seamstress and waitress. She was a member of the VFW, and of OLPH Catholic Church in Cottage Grove. Eileen is survived by daughters, Arleen Funai, Honolulu, HI; Sherry Farmen, Cottage Grove, OR; Rickie Jeramiah, Payette, ID; sons, William Aanrud, Anchorage, AK; Owen Aanrud, Cottage Grove, OR; Lewis Aanrud, Coquille, OR; sisters, Arlene Diamond and Helen McClemins, both of Pennsylvania; 13 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, 4 great-great-grandchildren. Preceded in death by her husband, Richard Aanrud; daughter Alice Kennedy; and her first born son Lewis Aanrud the 2nd. There will be a funeral at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church in Cottage Grove on Saturday, April 11 at 11:00 am. Interment in Fir Grove Cemetery. A reception will be at the family home, 34896 Garouette Road, Cottage Grove. Memorial contributions may be made to The Federation of the Blind, or the American Cancer Society. Arrangements by Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel in Cottage Grove.

Jessie Rutter-Cothrell-Humble 1909 - 2015

Jessie Margaret Rutter-Cothrell-Humble passed away on March 27, 2015, in Astoria, Or., from a life well-lived. She had just celebrated her 106th Birthday. She was born on March 24, 1909 in a small cabin on her family's ranch near Susanville, Oregon. Jessie was the youngest of six children born to Albert and Hallie Rutter.



Her early years were spent on the family ranch near Galena, Oregon.

In 1917, her family sold the ranch and began the four year journey that eventually led Jessie to Roseburg, Oregon, where she grew up as a young woman. Along the way, Jessie took her first train ride, saw her first automobile and electrical light, and saw the Pacific Ocean for the first time. "That's too much water," she had said of the Pacific, the place she came to love the rest of her life.

Jessie graduated from Roseburg High School in 1927, and worked as a hairdresser. In 1929 she married Clarence (Buster) Cothrell. They moved to Cottage Grove in 1946, raising two children. Buster passed away in 1955. Jessie was a member of the Presbyterian Church and the Order of the Eastern Star. During her life she owned and operated a freight company, was a florist, owning and operating her own flower and gift shop, and a bookkeeper. In 1968 she married Leonard Humble. They lived in Corvallis, Mesa, Az, Eugene, and Florence. He preceded her in death in 1985. For the last thirty years Jessie lived in Woodburn, Seaside, and Astoria.

Jessie enjoyed hunting, fishing, knitting, gardening, golfing, coin collecting, crossword puzzles, card playing, and crabbing along the Oregon coast. She loved traveling the United States. On one trip she drove from the Pacific coast to the Atlantic, and back, making sure she waded in both the Pacific and Atlantic oceans at the beginning, middle, and end of her journey. Closer to home, some of her favorite places to visit were Paulina and Twin Lakes.

Jessie's surviving family includes her son and daughter-in-law, LeRoy and Bonney Cothrell, Cottage Grove; Her daughter, Mary Perkins, Astoria; Stepson and daughter-in-law, Leon and Carole Humble, Tempe, AZ.; Stepdaughter and son-in-law, Alice and Malcolm Halvorson, ND.; Stepdaughter, Eunice Johnson, ND.; Grandchildren: John Perkins, Steve Perkins, Robin Tubbs, Kelly Lanzarotta, Eric Cothrell, Scott Humble, David Humble, Paula Boerwinkle, Scott Schuetze, Stephan Schuetze-Coburn, Carissa Lewis, Janell Ginsberg. And many beloved great and great-great grandchildren, nieces, and nephews.

Preceding her in death, Son-in-law, Troy Perkins; Daughter-in-law, Janice Scheutze-Cothrell; Her siblings: Frank Rutter, Albert Rutter, Bernice Rutter, Edith Epping, Elizabeth Hutchins. Hughes-Ransom Mortuary is in charge of arrangements. Visit www.hughes-ransom.com to share memories and sign the guest book.

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