

# Cottage Grove Retrospective

A look back at Sentinel stories from 30 and 60 years ago

Sept. 8, 1955

## Sept. Oregon Ducks open football drills last Wednesday with inexperienced crew

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene (Special) – Coach Len Casanova saw a turnout of 45 players here Wednesday for physical examinations and picture taking in preparation for the first of a series of “daily doubles” on Thursday which opened the preparation for the 1955 football season.

Only 14 lettermen returned with two of these returning from the service after missing at least two seasons, and only four of the veterans are regulars from the third place team of 1954.

Phil McHugh, the talented end from Portland, Capt. Lon Stiner, a member of the 1954 PCC all-star squad at tackle, Reanous Cochrane at guard, and Dick James, a second team all-PCC choice and co-holder of the scoring title, at left halfback are the remaining first stringers.

The other lettermen include Harry Johnson, Chuck Austin, Jim Potter, and Jerry Nelson at tackle, Harry Mondale and Jim Jacques (both back from the Army) at guard, Art Weber and Nick Markulis at center, and Tom Crabtree and John Keller at quarterback.

Spike Hillstrom, a non-letterman in 1954 who has made a strong bid for a starting guard job, Hank Loumena and Dick Pavlat at halfback and Wally Russell at quarterback are the other members of the 1954 squad who will again be on.



Sept. 4, 1975

## Water on the way

At least one Cottage Grover voter who cast a negative vote on the city's budget request in early August did so because she thought the city staff was guilty of waste and lack of progress on proposed improvements to the city's water system.

“Three hundred thousand dollar bond improvement; no improvement,” she wrote on a comment form provided at the polls. “That \$300,000 was the city's to bring in new wells of water for shortages and our city's growth. Gentlemen, no swells and you have spent the money and now ask us for more.”

City Engineer Roger Sinclair, the man in charge of the city's public works department, discussed that voter's comments Friday as he reported on the progress being made on the city's water system.

“I realize our public relations are nil,” Mr. Sinclair said. “But I've seen other places where

they make a big to do about everything.”

Saying he would rather produce than proclaim, Mr. Sinclair added, “I'm just not a horn tooter, I'd rather wait until it's done and then say, 'see, there it is!' That's my approach.”

In spite of that philosophy, Mr. Sinclair admitted that the low visibility of the water system improvement construction work makes it natural that residents might not notice progress on the project.

Also, some three years as passed since city voters went to the polls in May of 1972 and approved a \$350,000 bond issue to finance the proposed improvements (not \$300,000 as the angry woman voter thought).

Presently, the city is drawing its water from the Layng Creek watershed east of the city. That water is collected at the Layng Creek Dam and carried some 23 miles by pipeline to the city's reservoirs.

Sinclair said the city has been getting its water from Layng Creek since approximately 1910.

## New drug dog helps police make arrests

The Cottage Grove Police Department is crediting the newest member of its staff with help making four recent drug-related arrests.

Corporal David Burgin announced that he and his new drug-sniffing partner, Kimber, a black Labrador Retriever and the daughter of CGPD's late drug-sniffing dog, Bo, recently passed their tests and received their certification to be deployed in the field.

Burgin said that, on Aug. 27, the duo, along with Officer Matt Walker, Officer Shawn Branstetter and Officer Steve Sherwin made four drug-related arrests at 330 Madison Avenue in Cottage Grove for charges of frequenting a drug house.

“This residence has been a problem for CGPD and the neighbors for some time, with drug use, dealing and short-stay traffic from numerous members of the Cottage Grove drug community,” Burgin said.

With help from the residence's primary tenant, police entered the residence and arrested Shawn Duane Shepherd, 41, Benjamin Lee Robinson, 38, Erin Ray Garrison, 30, and Brandy Jo Johnson, 29. In addition to the frequenting charge, police said Johnson was arrested for outstanding warrants.

Earlier, on Aug. 16, police arrested Leonard Marshall Robinson, 57, for unlawful delivery, unlawful manufacture and possession of methamphetamine during what police called a “buy bust” utilizing a police informant at the Cottage Grove Market.

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## POLICE BLOTTER

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

Aug. 24

### Welfare Check, Row River Rd Taco Bell

Caller requested a welfare check on a female in a semi at the location. Her hands appeared to be tied together and the male that was with her was acting very odd. He made her get into the cab of the vehicle on the drivers side.

### Harassment, 4th St

The caller advised police that he is legally growing marijuana and his place has been cased multiple

times through the fence. One of the subjects made verbal threats to beat up the caller. Caller was not very cooperative and made agitated threats to shoot the subjects. Upon additional questioning it was determined that the caller does not have a firearm.

Aug. 26

**Hit and Run, 16th and Main**  
Officers located the subject's vehicle at 810 Lincoln St. Transported the driver to the police department where he blew a 0.18 BAC. The subject was charged with two

counts of assault, DUI, four counts of reckless endangerment, and fail to obey a traffic control device.

Aug. 28

### Fraudulent use of credit card, 8th St.

Reporting person advised police that an unknown subject used her credit card for purchases in Portland, losing a total of \$15,000.

### Motor Vehicle Accident, Main St.

Multiple 911 calls came in regarding a vehicle hitting a pedestrian

in a parking lot. The second caller was transferred to Central Lane for medical care.

### Burglary, Green Gables Storage

The reporting person advised that there was a pick up truck backed up to the fence of the storage facility and the subject appeared to be inside throwing items over the fence into the pick up. Officers contacted the subjects: a female got locked inside after 9 pm and the male subject was assisting with getting her out and getting the remainder of the items into their unit.

## CITY BEAT Selections from the City of Cottage Grove's Friday Update

September is National Preparedness Month. During September, each Friday Update will include information on personal and family preparedness. This week we are starting with:

### FAMILY COMMUNICATIONS

Your family may not be together when disaster strikes, so plan how you will contact one another. Think about how you will communicate in different situations. Complete a contact card for each adult family member. Have them keep these cards handy in a wallet, purse or briefcase, etc. Additionally, complete contact cards for

each child in your family. Put the cards in their backpacks or book bags. Check with your children's day care or school. Facilities designed for children should include identification planning as part of their emergency plans.

### Family communication tips

Identify a contact such as a friend or relative who lives out-of-state for household members to notify they are safe. It may be easier to make a long-distance phone call than to call across town, so an out-of-town contact may be in a better position to communicate among separated family members.

Be sure every member of your family knows the phone number and has a cell phone, coins or a prepaid phone card to call the emergency contact. If you have a cell phone, program that person(s) as “ICE” (In Case of Emergency) in your phone. If you are in an accident, emergency personnel will often check your ICE listings in order to get a hold of someone you know. Make sure to tell your family and friends that you've listed them as emergency contacts. Teach family members how to use text messaging (also known as SMS or Short Message Service). Text messages can often get around network disruptions when a phone call might not be able to get through. In Lane County sign up now for **ALERT ME!** to receive emergency notifications to your cell phone or VoIP phone at: [www.lanecounty.org/prepare](http://www.lanecounty.org/prepare)

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### Library summer camp success

The Cottage Grove Public Library completed exciting summer filled adventure day camps for kids and teens last Friday. The final Kids Adventure trip took youth ages 7-12 to the Science Factory, Planetarium, Minion's Movie, Autzen Stadium for lunch and a private tour including free play on the field. And the day ended at Amazon Pool for an afternoon of aquatic fun.

### Summer reading success

The Cottage Grove Public Library Summer Reading Program ended, and the numbers are inspiring: 325 children participated and they read over 2500 hours in 10 weeks.

During the Summer Reading Program the Library hosted 51 programs and special events attended by over 1400 people (and dogs).

### “Sign, sign, everywhere a sign...”

The summer season seems to bring with it a plethora of yard sale, garage sale, for sale, lost pet, event, and celebration signs of various sizes and shapes. Most of these signs seem to end up on telephone poles, street light poles, junction boxes, traffic regulatory signs, other public and private buildings and structures and in the public right-of-way. Currently, the downtown area is covered by a wide variety of these types of signs. The Police and Public Works Departments constantly remove real estate signs and garage/yard sale signs that are in the public right-of-way. The City's volunteer graffiti removal team is expanding their scope of services to include the removal of signs attached to utility poles, buildings, structures and regulatory

signs. Many of the signs are left over from events that have long passed. Removing these signs is a time-consuming job that takes staff and volunteers away from more productive endeavors. Citizens are reminded that signs are not allowed in the public right-of-way or on utility poles, regulatory signs, public buildings and structures, or utility junction boxes. If you did place signs, please remove them once your advertised event is over.

### Membrane workshop

On Monday and Tuesday of this week, Water Production Superintendent Ray Pardee and Public Works Director Jan Wellman attended a Northwest Membrane Operator Association sponsored workshop in Arch Cape. The workshop was attended by membrane plant operators and manufacturer's representatives serving the northwest Oregon area. The workshop included a tour of the Arch Cape water and sanitary district's membrane facilities.

# 6-day weather forecast

<b>THURSDAY Sept. 3</b> 44°   69°  <b>Sunny</b>	<b>FRIDAY Sept. 4</b> 45°   71°  <b>Showers</b>
<b>SATURDAY Sept. 5</b> 47°   74°  <b>Partly Cloudy</b>	<b>SUNDAY Sept. 6</b> 49°   80°  <b>Sunny</b>
<b>MONDAY Sept. 7</b> 50°   80°  <b>Sunny</b>	<b>TUESDAY Sept. 8</b> 51°   77°  <b>Sunny</b>

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## Meet the DJ/Program Host



**DALLAS MCCORD**  
Cowboy Cultural Corner on Sunday 1-4 KNND 1400 AM Dallas and PJ McCord love hosting the Cowboy Culture Corner every Sunday afternoon from 1-4 on KNND. It gives us a chance to share the finest cowboy

music and poetry that you would ever want to stick an ear to. Dallas, an excellent singer, songwriter, emcee and storyteller has been involved with the cowboy genre for 30+ years. Many of the artist he and PJ play on the radio are friends and fellow performers. This brings a personal touch to the show. In 2007 Dallas was awarded Small Region Disc Jockey of the year from the Academy of Western Artist in Arlington, Texas. What a thrill to represent KNND and receive the award from Lynn Anderson. Tune in per-ner every Sunday, settle back and enjoy the old and new western music and cowboy poetry. You will not be disappointed.



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