

BOND

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Parent introduced the crowd to Mike Gorman and Greg McCracken of BLRB Architects, the firm chosen to design the new school. Gorman, a 1978 Cottage Grove High graduate, also attended the Harrison School he's hoping to replace. The two walked the group

through the process they'll undergo to design the school, after which a brainstorming session was held to flesh out the opportunities and challenges to passing the bond, in addition to what's important in building a new school.

The group stated that it prized flexible, comfortable and dura-

ble classrooms, spaces for early learning groups, easy maintenance and safety and security. It listed opportunities to build a sustainable structure, to cater to community use of the building and serve an at-risk population. Challenges included the possible sentiment in the community against the bond's passage, the

plans for the current Harrison property and how to deal with requests to attend a brand-new Harrison School.

The School Board plans another community conversation about the Harrison bond on Wednesday, Nov. 18, a meeting that will likely take place at the CGHS cafetorium.

HALLOWEEN

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that having downtown trick-or-treating and Art Walk together is a "bad idea."

"Art Walk draws a particular kind of visitor," she said. "Business owners put out food for them. Halloween should be on Halloween. Families are going to come downtown on Saturday, and we'll have to say 'we did it

yesterday.'"

Later in the meeting, Councilor Mike Fleck asked if plans couldn't be changed so that trick-or-treating and Art Walk wouldn't conflict.

"We knew there would be people who wouldn't like the decision, whichever decision was made," responded City Manager Richard Meyers, who pointed out that the City was

not part of the decision-making process.

"The events were already not on top of each other," he said. "The streets should be cleared after trick-or-treating by 5:30."

Meyers said that last year, Halloween activities bled into the time reserved for Art Walk, which is not expected to happen this year, as a light parade planned at dusk will not be

held.

"The opinion among the business owners was almost 50/50," Meyers said. "But there were a number of people who said that if it was on Saturday, they wouldn't participate."

From the audience, Chamber of Commerce Director Travis Palmer agreed.

T&T

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dry their tummy. I then cradle the cats in a dry cloth and walk them around the house to distract them while the cloth absorbs more water. Then we put the cats in a preheated bathroom to blow them dry, along with a treat for us all surviving the experience! Never use a hot setting on a blow dryer! Cats' skin is tender and easily burns.

Place a litter box, drinking water and food in the warm bathroom to keep cats warm until they dry. Soon your fluffy-

soft cat will emerge. Once dry, our cats walk with a pride as if they feel clean and look elegant, and they quickly forgive our transgression against them.

Our cats are so used to baths that they sit patiently waiting for it to be over, making both our lives easier. A humorous friend once said, "It is easier to indulge in my favorite pastime of rock climbing out of the 'Valley of Fire' than to bathe my cat!" So, I am mailing her cat this helpful article!

OFFBEAT

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Southern Methodist Church in Ashland.

Bell finally settled in Corvallis in 1907, but he was no stranger to the town. He was, by then, the most well known pastor of any denomination in Oregon. He'd led Methodist and Presbyterian congregations in Baker City, Independence and Roseburg, as well as at least one previous stint in Corvallis. He'd delivered guest sermons at hundreds of churches of various denominations. He'd also earned the informal title of "the marrying parson" — he'd presided over more than 1,000 marriages and had become a family tradition for many families; the sons and daughters of couples he'd married would seek him out when it was time for them to get married in turn. He also had held the office of Grand Chaplain of the Masons for longer than anyone else in history.

And he'd made a name for himself in a new kind of Civil War: the one between the rival football teams of Oregon Agricultural College (now Oregon State University) and the University of Oregon. Bell joined the board of trustees of OAC in 1874 — six years after the college was founded, and the same year the rival U. of O. was established. He became one of the founders of the athletic program at OAC and was an enthusiastic spectator at the very first Civil War football game in 1894 — a game from which would spring the oldest college football rivalry on the West Coast. Following the 16-0 victory for OAC, Bell got a little carried away; he rushed down the hill to the bank of the Marys River and threw his top hat into the drink.

After that, every year the Beavers beat the Ducks, Bell would re-enact this historic hat-dunking. This became one of Corvallis' biggest social events; thousands of fellow Beavers fans would make the journey with him to the water's edge and cheer the hat on its slow, watery way toward the Willamette. Fortunately for Bell's finances, the Beavers didn't win very often at first; after that first year, they won just four games in the following 30 years (although they tied eight).

In 1921, the college named its football stadium after Bell, and from then until 1953, the Beavers played in Bell Field.

J.R.N. Bell died in 1928, right at the end of the Beavers' first streak of back-to-back Civil War wins (1925-1927). He was buried in Crystal Lake Cemetery, near his old friend and former wartime enemy Thorp, and almost within a hat's toss of the Marys River.

(Sources: Fletcher, Randol B. Hidden History of Civil War Oregon. Charleston: History Press, 2011; Corvallis Gazette-Times, 27 July 1915)

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November 4 • 10:30 AM
November 16 • 10:30 AM
December 4 • 10:30 AM
December 21 • 10:30 AM

CRESWELL

City of Creswell
Community Center
99 S. 1st St., Creswell
November 4 • 2:30 PM
November 16 • 2:30 PM
December 4 • 2:30 PM
December 21 • 2:30 PM

FLORENCE

Florence Events Center
715 Quince St., Florence
October 27 • 11:00 AM
November 9 • 11:00 AM
November 23 • 11:00 AM
December 2 • 11:00 AM

EUGENE

Campbell Senior Center
Elsie's Room
155 High St., Eugene
October 21 • 11:00 AM
November 5 • 10:00 AM
November 30 • 2:30 PM
December 3 • 10:00 AM

Valley River Inn
1000 Valley River Way, Eugene
October 26 • 10:30 AM

Papa's Pizza
1577 Coburg Rd., Eugene
November 3 • 2:30 PM
December 1 • 2:30 PM

Petersen Barn
870 Berntzen Rd., Eugene
November 13 • 1:30 PM

Veterans Memorial Assn.
1626 Willamette St., Eugene
November 19 • 10:30 AM
December 7 • 2:30 PM

Countryside Pizza & Grill
645 River Road, Eugene
November 30 • 10:30 AM

JUNCTION CITY

Junction City
Community Center
175 W. 7th Ave., Junction City
October 21 • 2:30 PM
November 2 • 10:30 AM
November 18 • 10:30 AM
December 7 • 10:30 AM

SPRINGFIELD

Papa's Pizza
4011 Main St., Springfield
October 22 • 2:30 PM
November 6 • 2:30 PM
November 20 • 2:30 PM
December 3 • 2:30 PM

Willamalane Community
Recreation Center
250 S. 32nd St., Springfield
October 30 • 10:30 AM
November 12 • 2:30 PM

OAKRIDGE

City of Oakridge
47674 School St., Oakridge
October 28 • 10:30 AM
November 25 • 10:30 AM
December 23 • 10:30 AM

VENETA

City of Veneta
Community Center
25192 E. Broadway, Veneta
October 27 • 2:30 PM
November 11 • 11:00 AM
November 24 • 2:30 PM
December 2 • 2:30 PM
December 9 • 11:00 AM

EVENING SEMINARS

Trillium Community
Health Plan
Cascade Rm.
1800 Millrace Dr., Eugene

October 22 • 5:45 PM
October 29 • 5:45 PM
November 5 • 5:45 PM
November 12 • 5:45 PM
November 19 • 5:45 PM
December 3 • 5:45 PM
December 10 • 5:45 PM
December 17 • 5:45 PM

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Tree farm to host pumpkin, chainsaw carving expo

At the Twin Timbers Tree Farm, just south of Creswell on Hwy. 99, there will be a Chainsaw and Pumpkin Carving Exposition and Auction with live demonstrations by professional carvers on Friday,

Oct. 23 and Saturday, Oct. 24. Admission is free. Hours on Friday are 10 a.m. until dusk and Saturday 10 a.m. with auction of carvings starting at 4 p.m. For more information, call 541-214-8550.

NOTICE OF CITY OF COTTAGE GROVE HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION VACANCIES

The City of Cottage Grove Historic Landmark Commission has two vacancies to this volunteer body. The Commissioners are appointed by the City Council. The Historic Landmark Commission meets once a month on an as needed basis in the evening. People interested in applying for this position need to complete an Historic Landmark Commission application available on line at: <http://cottagegrove.org/Historic%20Landmark%20Commissioner%20Application.pdf> or at the Community Development Department at City Hall. Applicants must have a **demonstrated positive interest, knowledge, or competence in historic preservation.** The deadline for receiving applications is **November 6th by Noon.** For further information please contact the Community Development Department at 942-3340.

