COTTAGE GROVE COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Linfield local graduates

A total of 637 candidates for degrees were presented at the Linfield College commencement exercises Sunday, May 29.

Local graduates include: From Cottage Grove, Goretti Pham, with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. From Creswell, Sarah Rena Evans, with a B.S. in Management.

Students who graduated with honors are listed with honors designation in parentheses. Those graduating cum laude carried a grade point average of 3.650 to 3.799; magna cum laude graduates carried a 3.800 to 3.899; and summa cum laude carried a 3.900 to 4.000.

Food system assessment to be presented

On Tuesday, June 21, Jules Reynolds, Sustainable Cottage Grove's RARE specialist, will summarize her year-long food system assessment of southern Willamette Valley. With financial backing from Oregon Food Bank and in collaboration with Healing Matrix, SCG secured Reynolds as an Americorps intern to perform interviews and research, document what is happening (or not) in our regional food system, and identify opportunities and make recommendations to strengthen our efforts at providing equitable access to fresh local foods for all.

912 Project

The next meeting of the Cottage Grove 912 Project will be Monday, June 20 at 6:30 p.m. at Stacy's Covered Bridge Restaurant, 401 E. Main St. Lane County Sheriff Byron Trapp will discuss public safety in the county and law enforcement issues that effect Cottage Grove residents inside and outside the city limits. This meeting is open to the public.

'Little Women' auditions

Storybook Theatre presents auditions for Little Women on Friday, June 17 at 3 p.m. and call-backs the next day at 3 p.m.

Performance dates are Dec. 1-4 and 8-11 for the play, which is adapted and directed by Judy A. Smith.

These early auditions are held to determine casting for leading roles only. Those not interested in auditioning for a leading role but who still wish to have a part in "Little Women" have until Sept. 7 to register. The second round of auditions will be held on the second week of rehearsals, Sept. 14, for ensemble parts only.

Flag Day

On Thursday, June 16 at 7 p.m, the Cottage Grove Elks Lodge, located at 755 N. River Road, will be hosting a Flag Day Ceremony. The lodge would like to encourage everyone to show support for the "Red, White and Blue". Families are encouraged to attend.

BEYOND THE GROVE

News from Lane County and CG's neighbors

Drain/Yoncalla calendar

June 16-22

Thursday
Meals on Wheels – Meatloaf w/gravy, whipped potatoes w/gravy, mixed vegetables, bran wheat bread, molasses cookie.
Noon: North Douglas Fire & EMS. Drain Station.
Noon – 1 p.m.: North Douglas Betterment. At Yoncalla City Hall.
3 p.m.: Yoncalla Historical Society. At Yoncalla City Hall
6:30 p.m.: Yoncalla Rodeo Association. At Yoncalla Community Center.

Friday
Meals on Wheels – Curried chicken and rice salad, potato onion soup, country coleslaw, whole wheat bread, poppy seed cake.

Saturday
10 a.m.-4 p.m.: Blooms and Butterflies. Gardens, music, 5K run/walk, vendors. At Elkton Comm. Ed. Center, 15850 Hwy 38 West, Elkton.
5:30 p.m.: North County Movie Wagon. In park by Civic Center in Drain. Movie starts at 6 p.m. Bring chairs/blankets. Free popcorn for this debut party. No pets, alcohol or smoking in viewing area.

Monday
7 p.m.: N. Douglas Co. Fire & EMS Board Meeting. At 531 S. Cedar St., Drain.

Tuesday
Meals on Wheels – Spaghetti w/meat sauce, Oregon bean medley, rom iceberg salad/red wine vinaigrette, garlic French bread, cherry whip.
7 p.m.: Yoncalla Planning Commission. At Yoncalla City Hall.

LORANE COUNTRY NEWS

BY LIL THOMPSON
For the Sentinel

Today, Wednesday, June 15 is the last day of school for the Crow/Applegate/Lorane School District, and it is a half-day for all students. Have a wonderful and safe summer vacation.

Rural Art Center is planning its summer 2016 film camp for August for anyone in grades K-12. Those interested can contact any RAC board member for more information.

Grangers are working on their plans for the Lane County Fair booths. The fair starts July 20, so those with produce are asked to let them know.

Crow High School needs some coaches for fall...football, boys and girls basketball coaches. Anyone interested may pick up an application at the district office.

Firefighters battle summer's first blaze north of Sisters

Crews with the Oregon Department of Forestry reported a "great day on the fireline" in their efforts to contain the Akawana fire, a lightning-caused blaze that started Tuesday, June 7 about 13 miles north of Sisters.

As of the end of Sunday, the fire was burning 2094 acres but was described as 80 percent contained. A total of 537 personnel, including 21 hand crews, 16 fire engines, five bulldozers, 11 water tenders and six helicopters fought the fire on Sunday.

"Firefighters continued aggressive mop-up, making sure that this fire will not reignite and flare up later this summer," according to a DOF press release, which added that "no additional growth has occurred in the last operational period."

Firefighters expected a warming trend and stronger winds Monday that may pose a mild test to containment lines.

BRIEFS FROM BEYOND

3 Leg Torso in Elkton

Tomaselli's Café and Elkton Community Education Center will present an evening with Portland's 3 Leg Torso on its "The Third Time is the Charm Tour" on Friday, June 24 beginning at 7 p.m.

The event raises fund for the Elkton Community Education Center. The band is described as Portland's premier world music ensemble. Advance tickets for $10 will be on sale at Tomaselli's Café and ECEC. Tickets will be $15 at the door the night of the show.

Structure fire

North Douglas County Fire and EMS responded to a structure fire at 755 South Elk Creek Road Tuesday evening, June 7, at 8:13 p.m. First units reportedly arrived within six minutes to find a fully involved double-wide mobile home with flames through the roof. The agency said the fire was under control about an hour later. They say the structure was a total loss, adding that no one was injured. According to firefighters, the home owner stated the fire started as a result of a grease fire in the kitchen.

ODOT reduces speed limit to 55 on four sections of U.S. 97, U.S. 20

ODOT Deputy Director for Highway Paul Mather announced last week that speed limits for two segments of U.S. 97 and two segments of U.S. 20 will be reduced to 55 mph. The changes will take effect when new speed limit signs are posted—expected in the next two to three weeks.

The four segments where ODOT is reducing the speed limit from 65 to 55 mph are:

U.S. 97 from Madras to Terrebonne (about 16.5 miles)

U.S. 97 at the La Pine south city limit (1 mile)

U.S. 20 from the Bend east city limit to Dodds Road (six miles)

U.S. 20 from Vale to Cairo Junction (about 11.5 miles)

Speed limits increased on about 300 miles of interstate highway and about 1,200 miles of non-interstate highways March 1, following a new state law.

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* French Toast

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