Despite lower attendance, Relay still called a success

BY SAM WRIGHT The Cottage Grove Sentinel

Friday marked the 19th annual Relay for Life, which celebrates those who have survived cancer and loved ones who have passed from cancer. The opening ceremony began at 5 p.m., when after a brief introduction, cancer survivors from the community walked a lap around the track at Lincoln Middle School and then friends, family and supporters fell into line behind them to show their support.

The yearly event is important for people like Alice Knighten and Kay Smith, who have been attending the Relay since it first began 19 years ago. Knighten and Smith are double cancer survivors who both fought breast cancer.

"We've definitely formed a close community of cancer survivors," Knighten said.

The event was a bit quieter than usual years. Event Director Lynlee Young says that at-



Photo by Isaiah Case

Cancer survivors took a victory lap before being followed by their supporters.

tendance was a bit down from previous years.

"It was down because of all of the other events going on over the weekend," Young said. With the Triathlon, car show and chili cook-off, along with the Mark

Howard Memorial events at the Speedway, Relay for Life may 200 people attended, though it is usually closer to 300 during other years.

those who died fighting cancer.

have been slightly overlooked. She estimated around 150 to

"It was definitely still a great time, and people showed lots of support," Young added. When it got dark, survivors and supporters hosted a "luminaria" where candles were lit to remember

Planning Commission approves site review for cottages, permit for water pump station

Station will provide water for subdivisions above 740 feet

> **BY JON STINNETT** The Cottage Grove Sentinel

t its Wednesday, July 20 meeting, the Cottage Grove Planning Commission approved the site design review for a group of cottages on North 16th Street and a conditional use permit for a pump station that will supply drinking water to two local subdivisions.

The Commission approved the renewal of a site design review for Emerald View Cottages LLC, formerly Shelter Resources, which has planned for some time to erect 32 housing units on a lot near Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church. The company turned in the same application to develop the cottages, which will be marketed to those who make between 50 and 60 percent of the median income in Cottage Grove, that it had in previous years. The company is applying for federal funding to build the cottages, funding that is difficult to secure, and City Planner Amanda Ferguson said the company applied again hoping that the cottages will receive

The Commission also approved a conditional use permit for a new drinking water pump station at Taylor Avenue on the site of the old Cottage Grove High School. The City Council had previously accepted a bid of \$1,080,000 from H&J Construction to install the station, which will replace a pump at the site that Public Works Director Jan Wellman said is "at the end of

Wellman said the new station, which is expected to be built by the end of this year, will replace both the old Taylor Avenue station and the Cottage Heights pump station, which he said is in a remote location and is difficult to secure.

At over 740 feet above sea level, the subdivisions at Taylor and Cottage Heights are too high in elevation to be served by the City's Knox Hill pump station, Wellman said, due to the lack of water pressure to push water up to the subdivisions. New generators and water lines will also be constructed that aim to provide better water flow throughout the system and the looping of lines that should do away with stagnant water in the system. New generators should also keep water flowing to the subdivisions — currently, a loss of power means that the subdivisions must also go without

Take seven steps to 'waterwise' gardening

BY KYM POKORNY OSU Extension Service

hough the first half of July ■ was determinedly unlike summer, saving water is a keystone to responsible gardening no matter the weather.

"We have a role to play in preserving our natural resources," said Amy Jo Detweiler, a horticulturist with Oregon State University Extension Service. "A waterwise garden is one of the ways to do that regardless of the amount of rainfall where you live."

For instance, in the high desert around Bend where she lives, rainfall during the growing season from May through September is only 5-7 inches. Except for natives, most plants won't survive without supplemental water. On the Willamette Valley floor, rainfall averages five inches from June through September. In both areas, planning for a low-water garden makes sense, she said.

In her publication "An Introduction to Xerascaping in the High Desert," Detweiler lays out seven clear steps to developing a waterwise garden.

"The most important thing you have to consider is to give all these steps thoughtful consideration," she said. "It's not good enough to do a little here and there. Go through the steps from planning to plant selection and bring them into the land-

Other Extension offerings to help with low-water gardening include the publication Conserving Water in the Garden and infographics Keys to Water-Efficient Landscapes, It Pays to Water Wisely and Landscape Maintenance to Conserve WaAmy Deitweiler's seven steps to a waterwise garden

Planning and design: Before starting or changing your garden, watch the sun and shade exposure throughout the day, check soil drainage in various parts of the yard and determine if there are soggy or especially dry areas. In soggy areas, plan for a possible rain garden or bioswale.

Use rain barrels or underground cisterns to capture whatever rainfall your climate provides to use in the garden during dry times. Extension's publication Harvesting Rainwater for Use in the Garden can help with

Don't leave hardscape out of the equation. Reduce wasted runoff water by using permeable materials, leaving space between flagstone in pathways or patios and reducing areas with hard surfaces.

Go through books and magazines and visit gardens to get an idea of what type of garden you'd like and be realistic about how much time and effort you want to put into a garden. Consider all of those elements when designing

Irrigation: Decide if you want or can afford an automatic system or will manually move hose-end sprinklers. Either way can be efficient, but must be used appropriately. Know your plants' needs and don't deliver too much or too little water; irrigate deeply and infrequently to encourage deep roots (see "soil"

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337 "C" St. Drain, OR Sunday School 9:30am Worship 10:45am Living Hope Free Lunch Wed. at 12:30pm 541-836-7051 www.drainnaz.org

HOPE U.M.C.

131 W "A" St. Drain, OR 541-315-1617 Pastor: Lura Kidner-Miesen Bible Study: 10:45am Potluck Lunch: Noon Worship: 12:45pm

COTTAGE GROVE: 6th & Gibbs Church of Christ

195 N. 6th St. • 541-942-3822 Pastor: Aaron Earlywine Youth & Families Pastor: Seth Bailey Services: 9am and 10:30am Christian Education Nursery for pre-k - 3rd Grade www.6thandgibbs.com

Calvary Baptist Church

77873 S 6th St • 541-942-4290 Pastor: Riley Hendricks Sunday School: 9:45am Worship: 11:00am The Journey: Sunday 5:00pm Praying Thru Life: Wednesday 6:00pm

Calvary Chapel Cottage Grove 1447 Hwy 99 (Village Plaza) 541-942-6842 Pastor: Jeff Smith Two Services on Sun: 9am & 10:45am Youth Group Bible Study Child Care 10:45am Service Only www.cgcalvary.org

Church of Christ

420 Monroe St • 541-942-8565 Sunday Service: 10:30am

Cottage Grove Bible Church 1200 East Quincy Avenue 541-942-4771 Pastor:Bob Singer

Worship 11am Sunday School:9:45am AWAŃA age 3-8th Grade, Wednesdays Sept-May, 6:30pm www.cgbible.org

Cottage Grove Faith Center 33761 Row River Rd. • 541-942-4851 Lead Pastor: Isaac Hovet

www.cg4.tv Summer Schedule: Sunday Service 10am Full Children's Ministry available Covered Bridge Nazarene Church

Sunday School: 9:30am Worship 10:30am

Pastor: Cindy Slaymaker

152 S. M St.

541-942-4422

Delight Valley Church of Christ 33087 Saginaw Rd. East 541-942-7711 Pastor: Bob Friend Two Services: 9am - Classic in the Chapel 10:30am - Contemporary in the Auditorium

First Presbyterian Church

3rd and Adams St • 541-942-4479 Pastor: Karen Hill Worship: 10:00am Sunday School: 10:00am www.cgpresbynews.com

Grove Community Church 77820 Mosby Creek Rd.

Cottage Grove, OR 97424 541-942-0123 Pastor: Bryan Parsons Worship: 10:30 a.m. Nursery: Infant - Pre-K Kid's Church: K to 5th grade

Hope Fellowship United Pentecostal Church

100 S. Gateway Blvd. • 541-942-2061 Pastor: Dave Bragg Worship: 11:00am Sunday Bible Study: 7:00pm Wednesday www.hopefellowshipupc.com
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Living Faith Assembly 467 S. 10th St. • 541-942-2612

Pastor Rulon Combs Sunday School All Ages 9am Worship & Children's

Church 10:00 am Sat Evening Service 6:00pm Youth 180 Mondays 5:30-8pm

Non-Denominational **Church of Christ**

1041 Pennoyer Ave * 541-767-0447 Preachers: Tony Martin & Robert Evans Sunday Bible Study:10:00am Sunday Worship: 10:50am & 5:30pm www.pennoyeravecoc.com

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Pastor: Jim Edwards Sunday Service: 10:00am Join us in Traditional Christian Worship

Our Lady of Perpetual Help and St. Philip Benizi

Catholic Churches 1025 N. 19th St. 541-942-3420 / 541-942-4712 Pastor: Roy L. Antunez, S.J. Euch. Liturgies; Sat. 5:30pm Sun. 10:30am St. Philip Benizi, Creswell: 552 Holbrock Lane • 541-895-8686

St. Andrews Episcopal Church 1301 W. Main • 541-767-9050 Rev. Lawrence Crumb "Church with the flags." Worship: Sunday 10:30am

Sunday: 8:30am

All Welcome

Seventh-day Adventist Church 820 South 10th Street 541-942-5213 Pastor: Kevin Miller Bible Study: Saturday, 9:15 am Worship Service: Saturday, 10:40 am

Mid-week Service: Wednesday, 1:00 pm

Trinity Lutheran Church

6th & Quincy • 541-942-2373 Pastor: Jamés L. Markus Sunday School & Adult Education 9:15am Sundway Worship 10:30 am Comm. Kitchen Free Meal Tue & Thur 5:00pm TLC Groups tlccg.com

United Methodist Church

334 Washington • 541-942-3033 Pastor:Lura Kidner-Miesen Worship: 10:30am Comm. Dinner (Adults \$5, Kids Free) 2nd & 3rd Monday 5-6:00pm cottagegroveumc.org

"VICTORY" Country Church 913 S. 6th Street • 541-942-5913

Pastor: Barbara Dockery Worship Service: 10:00am "WE BELIEVE IN MIRACLES"

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