

BRIEFS FROM BEYOND CG

Yoncalla care baskets

Care and Share is a Yoncalla charity that began with the efforts of Joyce Evarts in the 1970s. Evarts passed away this year, and friends say it was her wish that the giving of Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets would continue after her passing. Funding for the baskets comes from donations and is used to purchase any food not provided by the canned food drive conducted by the Yoncalla schools. Donations can be left at the Yoncalla City Hall or sent to: Care and Share, 610 Elkhead Rd., Yoncalla, OR 97499. For further information contact Donna Dick at 541-849-2772.

Lane Co. Emergency Manager encourages hazard awareness

The onset of rainy weather and the hurricane activity on the East

Coast is a reminder to think ahead about natural hazards and to prepare now for stormier months to come, according to Lane County Emergency Management. Preparations can include clearing rain gutters and drainage ditches, repairing roof leaks, cutting back heavy tree branches that could fall on structures, checking the structural strength of roofs to sustain unusual weight from snow or rain, insulating pipes to protect from freezing, making sure carbon monoxide detectors and fire alarms are in good working order and keeping a NOAA weather radio handy.

Lane County Emergency Management is asking residents to help us help them by completing a less than 5-minute online survey about hazards residents are most concerned about. The survey can be found at this link or by doing a friend search on Facebook for Help Improve Lane County.

Tax extension deadline approaches

The personal-income-tax-return

filing deadline has long passed for many Oregonians, but state officials expect as many as 100,000 more will file before their extensions expire on Oct. 17. To check out your e-filing options, visit www.oregon.gov/dor/e-filing. The department also reminds taxpayers that an extension to file is not an extension to pay.

Search and Rescue seeks volunteers in Douglas Co.

The Douglas County Sheriff's Office is currently recruiting for its Search and Rescue (SAR) Volunteer Unit. The Sheriff's Office is also recruiting for its youth (ages 14 through 20) Explorer SAR team and is in particular need of volunteers for its Four Wheel Drive unit. The Sheriff's Office is looking for individuals with a positive attitude who are community service oriented. Volunteer members must be willing and prepared to be called out at all times of the day or night, sometimes in very inclement weather

and extreme conditions. Those interested in being a part of the Search and Rescue Volunteer Unit, or those with questions can contact Jerry Applegarth at (541)440-4498, jvappleg@co.douglas.or.us or visit www.dcsco.com.

Volunteers needed

Carol Ann Miller of Yoncalla is hosting a holiday dinner free for any veteran and a guest on Nov. 9, 2016 at 11 a.m. at the Yoncalla Community Center, 400 Main St., Yoncalla.

She tries to put these dinners on quarterly but needs some volunteers to help her out this year as she suffered an ankle injury that is slowing her down. The meal will consist of spaghetti, salad and garlic bread. She has collected personal care items and Afghans to give away, but any donations would help too.

LORANE COUNTRY NEWS

BY LIL THOMPSON
For the Sentinel

There will be no school this Friday, Oct. 14, due to a state-wide in-service.

It's taco dinner and bingo night again this month on Friday, Oct. 15. A delicious taco dinner with desserts happens at 5:30 p.m., and guests are welcome to stay for bingo at 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children 10

and under. For those coming only for bingo, pay only \$2 for desserts and bingo.

The free Ukulele classes began last week for 4-12 grade students and all ages beyond; the classes are led by Pat Dixon. Those interested can bring their instrument and contact Dixon at Crow Middle/High School. Ukulele lessons

are Thursdays from 3:30-5 p.m. with snacks provided. Their first concert will be at the RAC Movie Night at Lorane Grange on Dec. 10. As it continues to get darker earlier in the mornings and later in the evenings, please watch out for students along the roads.

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