

# Brandstetter, Sergeant Brandstetter



Shawn Brandstetter of the Cottage Grove Police Department was promoted to sergeant on Monday, Dec. 11. His wife made it official in front of the Cottage Grove City Council by pinning the officer who has been with the department for six years and is a native Oregonian as well as a former University of Oregon football player and airforce veteran. The new sergeant was given a standing ovation.

## BANQUET

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town house weekend in Florence go for \$550 while a year-long monthly lunch date at Stacy's Covered Bridge restaurant landed a winning \$500 bid. Other items included a trip to the Oregon Gardens and breakfast for two for \$475, a hand-

made walnut table and a pizza night once a month for a year for \$400. A trip to wine country and a three night stay failed to garner a winning bid. Two years ago, the hospital embarked on a similar mission to raise money for a new 3D

mammography machine after being informed by the manufacturer that its then current machine would no longer be serviced. A grant and community support garnered the funds needed to purchase the machine that has been up and running

since this spring and completed 622 scans since June. Hermann ran the stats for the hospital this year noting that the facility handled 12,000 emergency room visits, 42,000 clinic visits, 13,000 radiology studies and 98,000 lab tests.

## Rentals

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money can then be used for projects already outlined by the plan that created the urban renewal district. Cottage Grove has created an urban renewal district at least twice before.

While local government is exploring housing options, potential renters still find themselves either priced out of Cottage Grove or unable to find a rental despite having the funds to sign a lease.

"The lower priced rentals go fast," Hemmingway said, "They're gone before we advertise them." It's not surprising, given that the average income in Cottage Grove according to the latest Census data is approximately \$38,000 per year, that rent continues to move out of reach.

Renters with Section 8 and other HUD vouchers face additional obstacles to finding a place to live. Subsidized housing is subject to inspections and if landlords do not meet those requirements, renters cannot use their vouchers at those locations.

While it hasn't happened often, Fleck said there have been

one or two times when his agency has funds to assist a client with housing but are unable to find an available unit. Likewise, the South Lane School District has spoken openly about newly hired teachers being unable to find housing in the area.

Currently, Hayden Homes is building a development on Hwy. 99 beside the fire station that is expected to rent the units within the price range that already exists in Cottage Grove. It's a common theme in the city.

"A lot of owners will want theirs (rentals) to keep up with

the Joneses so they'll raise them (the prices) to keep up with what they see," Hemmingway said, noting he had inquires every day from people looking to rent.

The local Cottage Village Coalition is working with SquareOne in Eugene to construct Cottage Village—a 13-home community that consists of tiny houses. That development, however, is meant for individuals in danger of becoming homeless or those who live on a fixed income. It's still in the planning stages and, after earn-

ing a grant to buy the land and start the project, still needs to raise thousands of dollars to complete the homes.

"I think there's some silver linings," Fleck said of upcoming housing projects, efforts and possible programs to help renters get into homes. "Some glimmers of hope but I think we need to make an effort to work on this."

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