

Groups in the Grove

A look at local events, achievements and things to know in Cottage Grove

PeaceHealth to break ground on family guest house

Every year, thousands of patients throughout the region arrive at PeaceHealth Sacred Heart Medical Center at RiverBend needing specialized care not available in their home communities.

Whether it's a premature infant, a stroke victim or a trauma patient, chances are they'll be staying a while, as will their loved ones.

By the spring of 2019, these families will have a beautiful, tranquil place to call their home away from home, for as long as they need it. PeaceHealth and Ronald McDonald House Charities are collaborating to build and operate a new 20-room guest house on the RiverBend campus, within just a few minutes' walk to the main hospital.

A groundbreaking for the Heartfelt Guest House is planned for 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on April 26 at the building site, on the north edge of campus on St. Joseph Place.

"Families come to us under a great deal of stress, especially if their loved one is gravely ill or injured," said Jeff Larson, chief development officer for PeaceHealth Oregon Network. "Some of our Neonatal Intensive Care Unit infants are with us for three months or more. Add in the expense and inconvenience of staying in a hotel, and it can be overwhelming. That's why we're so delighted to be able to offer them a tranquil retreat, where they can stay for little or no cost, as long as they need to—and be within minutes of their loved one."

The new guest house will replace the current Children's Miracle Network/Lions Patient Family Guest House, located on Patterson Street near PeaceHealth Sacred Heart Medical Center, University District. That guest house accommodates about 300 families each year, but it's too small to meet the growing need—and it's a 20-minute drive from RiverBend, which serves the vast majority of long-term patients, including Neonatal Intensive Care Unit newborns. PeaceHealth will keep the guest house space for yet-to-be determined care services.



CEMETERY GROUP

Sears Cemetery Association
Annual Board meeting April 17, 2018
Smith-Lund-Mills Chapel 123 S. 7 at 6:30 p.m.
We welcome your attendance, input and help.

BLACKBERRY PIE SOCIETY EVENT

The Cottage Grove Blackberry Pie Society is hosting a rally in support of Kevin Matthews for East Lane County Commissioner on Saturday, April 7 from 3 – 5 p.m. at the Axe and Fiddle Public House, 657 E. Main Street, Cottage Grove. Guest speakers will include former Lane County Commissioner Jerry Rust, and music will be provided by Almost Home.

In March, the Blackberry Pie Society endorsed Matthews for the non-partisan Lane County Board of Commissioners Position 5 in the Primary Election on May 15, 2018.



BUSINESS AWARD: (R) Jeff Conklin, James Deatherage, Cassandra Barrong take home business of the quarter for D&D Automotive during the opening of the new South Lane Mental Health location on 6th St.

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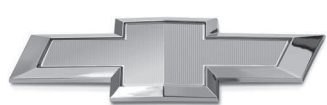
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