

# Cottage Grove Retrospective

A look back at Sentinel stories from 30 and 60 years ago

## One-year interim to replace superintendent

*Sentinel Staff of 1988*

An interim superintendent will be hired for the next school year as South Lane school board continues searching for a permanent replacement to Superintendent Marshal Keating, board members informally agreed during their weekend retreat.

With formal notice of vacancies to be sent to Northwest colleges yesterday, the board announced its decision at Monday's regular meeting.

The application closing date has been set for June 1, and the position is to be open July 1. Keating's retirement begins June 30, ending 10 years with the district.

Interim replacement applications are to be open to anyone who qualifies, whether within or outside of the district.

During the 1988-89 school years, the board intends to plan and conduct a search for a permanent replacement.

Four board members, three board members-elect and several administrators agreed during the board's retreat Friday night that an interim would best serve the district. The result of the May 17 tax base

election and concern over discussing the board's direction and goals were among reasons cited by board members to put forth an interim superintendent.

Throughout their ten-hour retreat board members heard comments from staff and developed tentative guidelines for the selection process.

As part of those guidelines, a committee of staff, board members and four community members has been proposed to help with the selection. Board member elect Len Blackstone suggested Monday that two community members be added to the proposed screening committee of two teachers, two classified staff and two board members. "I think we are a little unbalanced," he said, adding that two more community volunteers would have been the number of district employees with the number of non-district employee members.

The board is to consider recommendations devised during the retreated at its next meeting, said acting board chairman Lew Ban.

Besides announcing the interim vacancy,

the board discussed a proposed 1988-89 school calendar that would include three "flex day" over the 175 days required by the state. The tentative 1988-89 calendar school would start on Sept. 6 and end on June 8, with June 12, 13 and 14 marked as flex days, or days that school could be held because of previous inclement weather. Otherwise, the flex days could be used by staff as curriculum development and textbook adoption days.

Both board members Milton Gifford and Fred Gilbertson said they favored an earlier school ending date. "Going into the second week in June is just too long," Gifford said. "We are just in too much of the summer."

Gilbertson added that he usually hires high school students for farm work. "My season is over by the time school gets out ... The month of November, kids hardly go to school at all."

About one-fourth of district staff members said they favor a two-week plus one day winter vacation, Director of Secondary Education and Staff Development Jerry Couch told the board.

## POLICE BLOTTER

Cottage Grove Police Department 24-Hour Anonymous Tip Line: 767-0504

### April 6

A disorderly subject was reported after a man wearing all black who was walking with a dog on a leash was seen yelling at someone in a car on Harrison St. The individual was also blocking multiple lanes of traffic.

A man in a van on Main St. was in a parking lot yelling, screaming and hitting the van while asking for help.

### April 7

A hit and run was reported after a group of men were seen arguing on 3rd St. until an individual then got into their car and hit several parked vehicles before driving away.

Reckless driving was reported after multiple callers reported a truck burning out and speeding through the area.

### April 8

Shoplifting was reported by a grocery store on Main St. when a man in his early 30s ran through the parking lot with an unknown food product.

A man caught another man urinating behind a church on 10th St. at 9:30 a.m.

A woman reported that she has two stray dogs detained in her backyard.

### April 9

A loaded syringe was found at a gas station on Hwy. 99.

After hearing noise near his RV at 3 a.m., an individual looked outside and saw an individual who had just dropped a ladder running away.

Used syringes were found on tables near the playground of Coiner Park.

### April 10

Reckless burning was reported on Gateway St. at 3:20 a.m. when an individual saw a small fire inside of a barrel. There was an individual at the scene with a fire extinguisher.

Agency assistance was requested after an individual found a dead possum in the roadway on 3rd St. and was worried that buses would be running it over in front of elementary students.

An individual reported that while visiting her grandmother's house with her family, her wallet containing a social security card, debit and credit cards and \$90 cash was stolen.

### April 11

A suspicious condition was reported after a man in a blood-stained shirt arrived at a business on Gateway St. around 12:30 a.m. to order a cup of coffee. While there, a woman arrived and began yelling at the man. The woman then drove away towards I-5 and the man then ran after the vehicle.

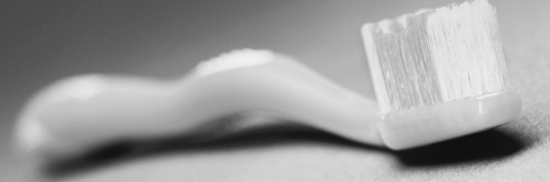
Offensive littering was reported after an individual on Lord Ave. reported that he arrived home to find more garbage dumped over his fence by his neighbor. The woman who reportedly did the littering was arrested and will appear in Cottage Grove municipal court in May.

### April 12

A woman reported that she heard banging on her house three times throughout night and was unsure of where the noise was coming from.

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## National Beat

News from the state and around the nation

### From around the state

- Last Friday, Oregon Gov. Kate Brown signed House Bill 4065 into law. The new law will create regulations that work to keep children in day cares safe. The bill made its way to Brown's desk after unanimously passing the Legislature last month. "We know there is more work to do, and will continue to focus on improving Oregon's system of early education and care," said Brown.
- A *New York Times* report highlighted that over 2,000 individuals in Oregon's Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) are making over \$100,000 per year. As money for pensions continues to rise, cities across the state are being forced to make cuts in other areas such as roads, education and police.
- With higher temperatures and a lack of precipitation, a drought emergency was issued by Gov. Brown last week in Grant County. Last month Klamath County was declared to be in a drought emergency.
- A Lane County marijuana shop owner has been accused of dodging \$262,776 in federal taxes over the last four years. Matthew Price, who owns shops in Eugene and Springfield, is the owner of Cannabliss & Co.

### From around the nation

- The United States joined forces with Britain and France to fire missiles in Syria directed at the country's chemical weapons arsenal in an effort to punish the Assad regime for using chemical weapons to attack civilians. "A perfectly executed strike last night," President Trump tweeted. "Could not have had a better result. Mission Accomplished!"
- After a fight broke out in a maximum-security prison, seven inmates died and 17 were injured in South Carolina. Reports indicate that at least 20 inmates have been killed by other prisoners in the state since 2017.
- In an ABC News interview, former FBI Director James Comey said that President Trump is "morally unfit" for office and that there may be "some evidence of obstruction of justice."
- Rapper Kendrick Lamar won the Pulitzer Prize for music for his 2017 album "DAMN." It is the first time that this award has been given to an artist that is neither a classical or jazz artist. Also taking home Pulitzers on Monday were the *New Yorker* for Ronan Farrow's coverage of the Harvey Weinstein scandal that launched the #MeToo movement, *The New York Times*, the *Washington Post* for its coverage of former republican senate candidate Roy Moore and *Cincinnati Enquirer* for its multimedia coverage of the city's heroin epidemic.
- Fox News host Sean Hannity was revealed as lawyer Michael Cohen's third client by multiple news outlets. Cohen represents President Donald Trump and was revealed to have negotiated a deal involving a payment to adult entertainer Stormy Daniels who alleged an affair with Trump during his wife Melania's pregnancy.

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