

SCHOOL *from A1*

Bridgens. “If we wait three to five years, you’re looking at price escalation, you’re going to have to shut down the pool to build that. You’re going to probably have to remove things that were just built to get the equipment in there to do the warm water recreation and therapy pool.”

The pool closed down for construction in October and is scheduled to remain closed until next August.

The district is currently accepting donations of all sizes through its website and is in talks with local businesses about donations and recent-

ly applied for a \$20,000 grant from Weyerhaeuser.

Old Harrison Reuse:

During Monday’s meeting, the board also discussed the future of the old Harrison building and the land that it sits on. The district is planning to make a decision on what to do with the land at December’s meeting.

The possibilities that were brought up included maintaining – and improving – the gym; demolishing the buildings and creating usable sports fields in its place; demolishing the buildings and selling the land; and selling the property, with the building intact, as is.

“I think the process the board and the school district felt was

really important is that we need to be presented with all of the information. They wanted to know everything from asbestos abatement or whether the gym can be salvaged,” said Bridgens. “What would it cost to put in playing fields? What would it cost to put in a parking lot to go along with the playing fields? If you want to keep the building working, how much is that going to cost?”

Maintenance and Facilities Supervisor Matt Allen reported that the district is heating the building to maintain its structural integrity and have had to increase security on the building after doors were seen being propped open.

Latham Conversation:

By November 30, the school board members will be receiving a packet of information that will help shape their decision on the fate of Latham Elementary School. The conversation of whether to keep the school open or closed has been ongoing and will take an important step at December’s meeting where the board hopes to make a final decision.

Included in the packet for the board are estimates of what the school would look like over the next five years if it stays open and what the realities of closing the school would entail. The report will also include conversations with current Latham teachers and staff members in



The pool closed in October of this year and is expected to open again in 2019.

addition to Latham parents.

“This process isn’t something that we take lightly. The board doesn’t take that lightly, the school district doesn’t take the process of whether or not

to close a school lightly,” said Bridgens. “And I think listening and hearing people’s thoughts and concerns and questions is a really important part of the process.”

SPENT *from A1*

Centene Management, Alkermes, Inc., Genentech Inc., Avis-

ta Corp., Pfizer Inc., Ash Grove Cement Company, Eli Lilly and Company, Amgen Inc. State Political Contributions, Sunovion, Weyerhaeuser, Da-

Vita, PHRMA, United Health Group, UP Railroad Company and Bristol Myers Squibb Company. Other contributors included Oregon Soft Drink PAC, Oregon Business Association PAC, Roseburg area chamber of commerce PAC, Northwest Grocery Association PAC, the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and Naito Public Affairs LLC.

• **Inskip:**

- Cash contributions: \$41,656.99
- In-Kind contributions: \$3,320.82
- Total contributions: \$44,977.81
- Total expenditures: \$40,139.77

Inskip had five out-of-state contributors including private individuals and DRIVE (Democrat Republican Independent Voter Education) committee. Other contributors included the Democratic Party of Lane County, Oregon Right to Health, Friends for Floyd

Prozanski, Oregon School Employees Association-Voice of Involved Classified Employees, Building Trades PAC and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 280.

East Lane County Commissioner

Cottage Grove native Gary Williams defended his seat against small business owner Heather Buch. Williams was appointed to the seat by the county commission in 2017 after former East Lane County Commissioner Faye Stewart stepped down to take a position with the city of Cottage Grove. Buch also applied for the vacancy after Stewart’s departure. East Lane Commissioner is a non-partisan seat. Both candidates focused on jobs and education with Williams aligning with the timber trades and small business and Buch knocking on 10,000 doors across the county focusing on small business and health care.

• **Williams:**

- Cash contributions: \$191,720.65
- In-Kind contributions: \$32,647.19
- Total contributions: \$224,367.84
- Total expenditures: \$241,001.52

Williams raised \$31,000 from timber companies with two individual out-of-state contributors. Other contributors included private individuals throughout the county, O&S Contractors, Fisher Land Company, the Community Action Network and Jay Bozievich for commissioner.

• **Buch:**

- Cash contributions: \$183,223
- In-Kind contribution: \$11,321.44
- Total contributions: \$194,544.44
- Total expenditures: \$168,106.76

Buch had four out-of-state contributors including Pacific Northwest Regional Council of Carpenters, Democracy for America and two private individuals. Other contributors included Lane County Employees Organization, Lane Coos Curry Douglas Building Trades, Oregon AFL-CIO, Democratic Party

of Lane County, Eugene Education Association PAC, Citizens Action for Political Education and Lane County Association Local 626.

Oregon State Senate District 4

Incumbent Floyd Prozanski faced two challengers on Tuesday, Scott Rohter and Frank Lengele.

• **Prozanski:**

- Cash contributions: \$107,906
- In-Kind contributions: \$1,117.52
- Total contributions: \$109,023.52
- Total expenditures: \$68,686.04

Prozanski had five out-of-state contributors including Albertsons Safeway, Avista and Union Pacific Railroad. Other contributors included the Plumbers and Steamfitters PAC, the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon, the Coquille Indian Tribe, Local 48 Electricians PAC and the Professional Adjusters Interested in Democracy.

Rohter and Lengele did not file contributions with the Oregon Secretary of State.

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October Students of the Month

LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL

BRODY DORR

Brody Dorr is Lincoln Middle School’s October Student of the Month. Brody is a joy to have in class. He gives his best in each and every class. He participates, asks thoughtful questions and encourages others. He recently shared that he likes being engaged in classes because he can learn so much. He is genuine and kind to all. Brody is the “real deal”. Lincoln is lucky to have him!

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BOHEMIA SUNRISERS KIWANIS

DAYNA HARRIS & JAXON SIMMONS

Graduating Seniors, Dayna Harris and Jaxon Simmons, were awarded Student of the Month for October, by the Bohemia Sunrisers Kiwanis. Dayna has received numerous honors and awards at Cottage Grove High School and plans to obtain her teaching credential at the University of Oregon. Jaxon has lettered in varsity baseball and also shown academic excellence in AP Biology and as a high honor roll recipient. He is active in community in organizations such as Green Club, Special Olympics, and Polar Plunge. His future goals include obtaining a bachelor’s degree in computer science at the University of Oregon and “having a positive impact in my community.”

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ELKTON HIGH SCHOOL

SADIE OLSON

Sadie is a committed student that always strives to do her best and encourages others to do the same. She is an honor roll student and participates in Volleyball, Basketball and Track. She doesn’t miss an opportunity to belong to a club or group that expands her knowledge and experiences. She is dedicated, reliable and a very gifted leader. She is an enthusiastic, creative, intelligent, kind and caring student. Sadie is fun-loving, good natured, generous and gets along great with all staff and students! She shares a lot of joy with all people.

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KENNEDY HIGH SCHOOL

ALEXI COHEN

Alexi strives to get work finished on time. Works hard in the classroom. Alexi has become an important part of the Kennedy Community.

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