Magnolia Gardens makes Delivery of Gratitude to first responders

Inspired by the residents and staff of Magnolia Gardens as a way to express their gratitude to members of South Lane County Fire and rescue following last month's snowstorm, Magnolia Gardens directors, staff members and chef delivered a surprise lunch to SLCFR on March 12. As a show of their appreciation, Magnolia Gardens residents provided a full meal to the fire department in an effort to give firefighters a well-deserved day off from cooking.

"We are impressed and grateful for the fine work our fire department does in

our community," said Debby Johannes, Executive Director of Magnolia Gardens. "During our recent snow storm, we called for a transport to the hospital for one of our residents. Her husband wanted to accompany his wife to the hospital. The EMTs generously packed up the husband's oxygen and wheelchair, and they invited him to travel with his wife to the hospital in the ambulance. We are so grateful for all they do."

The Magnolia Gardens chef prepared a warm lunch of soup, salad, homemade bread and cookies.

"We appreciate the fire department's efforts in the community and the traditions they carry," Pat Patterson," said former Cottage Grove City Council member and current resident of Magnolia Gardens.

VFW member Dennis Twite explained how, following a wind storm a month ago, the cable on the VFW's flagpole broke and the fire department pitched in to help. "It was about 30 feet high and we couldn't reach it," said Twite. "The fire department brought their truck out and put a new cable up for us."



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Magnolia residents Clive Putman and Candy Jaatinen, along with Activities Director Lesa Eller and SLCFR crew members. Putman has three sons who are also firefighters outside of South Lane.

North Douglas School District names new superintendent

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The North Douglas School Board announced that Terry Bennett has been named the new superintendent of the district effective July 1.

Bennett currently works for the Oregon Department of Education in the office of Teaching, Learning and Assessment. His previous administrative experience includes building and district have Mr. Bennett as a new level roles in Durham (CA), Klamath, Portland and Lebanon school districts covering a 17-year span. Bennett has a master's degree from University of Oregon

in the area of Educational Leadership. He completed his administrative licensure program at Portland State University. His teaching experience includes middle and high school social studies, distance learning and alternative education from 1988 to 2000.

"We are really excited to addition to our leadership team. He brings to the district a great many skills and talents that he will enhance and grow our school district," said school board

chairman Tom Kelley. "We know he will bring the excitement and leadership that will indeed move us to the next level."

"As the new superintendent, I am grateful for this time to engage our district and community in the process of building relationships, listening to all voices of our community - students, parents, staff, teachers, administrators, board members, residents, district partners and civic leaders," said Bennett. "I will hit the ground running to build upon the strong legacy that the school district and community have established for our students."

LORANE NEWS

Two Lorane Fire Board positions are open. Anyone interested must file by March 21. CAL School Board Thursday, meets this March 21 in the Applegate board room at 7 pm. • School is a half-day this Friday, March 22, for the beginning of Spring break (March 25 through 29.) School resumes Monday, April 1 (April Fool's Day). • Come to Lorane Grange this Saturday, March 23, and enjoy some fun and a delicious spaghetti dinner, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Bingo starting at 6:30 p.m. There will be lots of bingo prizes, a 50/50 raffle and the progressive blackout amount is over \$150. Due to Easter towards the end of April, this will be the last dinner

and bingo until next fall. • Lorane Grange meets on Thursday, April 4, at 7 p.m. The Grange is currently collecting new socks and underwear for men and women veterans, to be handed out at the Stand Down later this year. If you'd like to donate, bring new socks and/or underwear to any of the days mentioned and put them in the barrel in the entryway or call Lil at 541-942-5701. • The RAC/ Lorane Grange Talent Show is scheduled for Sunday, April 7, at 3 p.m. Call Barbara Dare at 541-942-7911 or Lil at 541-942-5701 to get on the list. If you are entertaining, be there by 2:45 p.m. Last-minute entertainers are welcome. Anyone having stationary artwork

(woodwork, art work, jewelry, glassware, knit work, etc.) should come to the Grange by 2:30 p.m. to set up in the kitchen area. Remember: it's free, so come enjoy an afternoon of amazing talent! Also, food finger snacks will be in the kitchen. • Valedictorian for 2019 at Crow High School is Kody Roberts with a 4.23 GPA, and Eli Matthews is Salutatorian with a 4.18 GPA. Conboth! gratulations to • The Reading Ninjas, Kieran, Kyla, Kiera, and Jezi, will represent Applegate Elementary in the Oregon Battle of the Books (OBOB) regional competition. Congratulations!



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