

Recognizing valor



DAMIEN SHERWOOD/COTTAGE GROVE SENTINEL

Sergeant Shawn Branstetter (left) and Officer Josh Dumas (center) of the Cottage Grove Police Department each received Medals of Valor June 10, presented by South Lane County Fire and Rescue Fire Chief John Wooten (right). Branstetter and Dumas were recognized for putting themselves at extreme personal risk by slowing a fire's advance, thus rescuing a trapped civilian during a structure fire on Adams Avenue on June 6, 2018. "We don't encourage folks to just run into burning buildings," said Wooten, "but in this case I'll say that that decision was swift and decisive and had a definite impact on the survival of that victim."

Populating, feeling universe topic of next Science Pub

Join astronomer and retired Aerospace engineer Steve Kilston for the next Science Pub, set for Tuesday, June 25.

Kilston will present scientific ideas that may enable us to identify with our universe in all its reality and potential, intensifying feelings of connection, unity and purpose.

This talk will describe an astronomical perspective on how our universe came to be populated, discuss how science helps us choose actions compatible with our universe's rules and the laws of nature we recognize as truths, and explore other worlds beyond Earth.

The CFWWC hosts a family-friendly monthly public meeting series

called the "Coast Fork Science Pub" on the fourth Tuesday of each month, from 5 to 7 p.m., at the Axe & Fiddle, 657 E. Main Street in Cottage Grove.

The event begins with informal socializing, trivia and updates about the watershed and watershed council during the first hour.

The Science Pub presentation begins at 6 p.m. CFWWC receives 10 percent of all sales from the evening between 5 and 7:30 p.m.

The event is free to the public, with a \$5 donation suggested.

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