

## Youth Advisory Committee visits Salem



COURTESY PHOTOS

YAC members visited the capital on Feb. 17 to meet with legislators such as Representative Cedric Hayden and observe governmental processes up close.

## Pet Tips 'n' Tales



By Mary Ellen  
"Angel Scribe"

### Sallie-Sue and her 'Buddy'



Dogs and cats can be the best of buddies! Sallie-Sue and her brother, Budd, prove it!

It is intriguing how folks end up rescuing their pets. Oftentimes it is from their own family when a relative passes away or a child heads off to college.

In Chris and Clarence's case, they inherited their dog Sallie-Sue, a soft, white, furry Schnauzer/Poodle, after their son's apartment complex was destroyed by fire. He fled with his dog and the clothes on his back, found new lodging but found it difficult to locate another rental that would accept a dog. He was afraid he would lose the dog and did not want to relinquish it to a shelter, so his parents came to mind. He flew Sallie-Sue 1,000 miles to their home to briefly care for her while he regained financial footing.

"We bought him clothes and offered to keep the dog until he was ready for her," said Chris. "It did not take long before everyone realized she had become our dog. Obviously, she is still with us."

The couple may have inherited the dog, but a stray cat with a big heart adopted them.

"Everyone wants a cat with all the best traits, but they are hard to find," said Chris. "Ours found us! Clarence had built shelves on the corner of our enclosed patio for the feral cats to safely nest at night. The patio has two cat doors for them to come and go." One morning, Clarence went to put out their food and water and there was a gorgeous black cat. The elegant, long-haired feline looked at Clarence, dashed away — then stopped and observed Clarence.

"Hey 'Buddy,' do you want to come back in?" Clarence recalled saying to the feline. "To my surprise, he did. I held out my hand for him to sniff, but instead he crawled up into my arms. 'Wait until my wife sees you,' I thought."

When Chris arrived in the kitchen, she saw her husband wearing a big smile and a huge, black Maine Coon cat.

"I reached for the cat, and he let me hold him like a baby," said Chris. "Then he did the most amazing thing: he put his head on my shoulder, took his soft paw and turned my face towards him, looked deeply into my eyes and licked my nose."

Budd's adoption was officially complete. The couple was baffled as to where the cat had materialized from as none of their neighbors had a black kitty.

"While I held him, I knew in my heart it was meant to be. He would be our inside cat," said Chris. "We had Sallie-Sue and did not know how this would work out, but I had a flash of intuition that she and her new 'Buddy' would get along. In no time at all our two pets were laying side by side grooming each other."

Within two days, Budd had the food routine down pat. He watched the first day and, on the second as Clarence sat down to give Sallie her treat, Budd lined up beside her.

The couple works from home and, like most offices, the "staff" joins in for coffee breaks.

"When we take our coffee breaks, our animals think it is snack time and appear out of nowhere for their treats," laughed Chris. "We have a gas fireplace and they both vie for the best warm spot. They lay side by side, their noses facing each other, their bodies in a V-shape. It is cute watching them flip in unison, like pancakes to warm their other sides."

#### TIPS:

- Does your pet want to sit on your lap while you are typing at the computer, and keeps rolling off? I solved Myster E.'s dilemma by putting a pillow on my lap and him on top.
- Trouble taking pets photos? Ruth in Vancouver takes pet selfies with her cell phone propped on a table, and a pepperoni stick leaning beside the camera.
- Dog help and tip suggestions can also be found on: <https://yourdogadvisor.com/>
- UPS drivers and the dogs that love them: <https://www.facebook.com/upsdogs/>

Share your fur-avorite pet memory or adventure at [angelscribe@msn.com](mailto:angelscribe@msn.com). Visit Pet Tips 'n' Tales on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/PetTipsandTales](https://www.facebook.com/PetTipsandTales) Humane Society for Neuter/Spay Assistance Program. 541-942-2789

## Women's conference to discuss 'Book of Revelation'

The Bible's "Book of Revelation" is the only book in the Bible that promises a blessing to those who read, hear and keep it. (Revelation 1:3)

Any woman interested in learning more about the Book of Revelation should attend a special Women's Conference scheduled for

Saturday, Feb. 29, at the London Grange, 72746 London Rd. in Cottage Grove, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The conference is free to attend and there will also be light morning refreshments and a luncheon provided. The conference will cover all 22 chapters of the book and hopes to spark women

of faith to go deeper into Bible study.

The conference will be taught by Gretchen Spears, a resident of Cottage Grove, who is a Bible teacher to women.

Spears has recently been a part of restoring the Bell Tower at London Church.

Spears has taught sever-

al conferences and retreats over the years, helping women of faith in Jesus Christ to know the truths of the Bible.

All ladies who are interested in attending should RSVP by calling or texting 541-844-6616.

## Healing Matrix offering community project funding

The Healing Matrix nonprofit has announced the availability of \$20,000 to fund one or more projects that support its mission of providing education and support services to improve individual and

community health. A wide range of proposals for outreach, collaboration and/or activities that promote informed lifestyle choices will receive serious consideration.

Interested parties

should email a letter of application by March 20 to [cghmatrix2020@gmail.com](mailto:cghmatrix2020@gmail.com).

The letter should be no more than 250 words (bullet list is acceptable), describe the nature of the

project to be undertaken, the impact it would have, explain how funds would be used, and identify the people/organization responsible for completing the project.

## Opal Center to host screening of rare burlesque reels

American burlesque is a genre of variety show. By the early 20th century, burlesque in America was presented as a populist blend of satire, performance art, music hall and adult entertainment, featuring striptease and broad comedy acts.

The Cinema Guild will present two full reels of rare burlesque, striptease and exploitative Scopitone musical shorts Saturday, Feb. 22, beginning at 7 p.m. at the Opal Center (513 Main St.)

The screening is free and open to the commu-

nity, but donations will be accepted.

The event will be a unique chance to take a look at a collection of 16mm arcade loops and mail-order adult entertainment from the 1940-60's.

Stars will include Jen-

nie Lee, Lorraine Lee and many others.

Due to the nature of the screening, the program is strictly for adults age 18 and older.

For more information, call the Opal Center at 541-623-0513.

### LORANE NEWS

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• Come out to Lorane Grange Saturday, Feb. 22, for a delicious spaghetti dinner beginning at 5:30

p.m., followed by bingo at 6:30 p.m. The progressive blackout has continued to grow. For those only coming for bingo, you may purchase desserts and beverages for \$3. Look forward to

seeing everyone there.

• Winter concert is scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 25, beginning at 7 p.m. in Crow High School. Senior pictures along with their baby pictures are due the same day. For more information, call the school office.

• Crow High School alumni basketball is coming Feb. 29, beginning 4:30

p.m. There is one more practice at the school gym this Sunday, Feb. 23, from 4 to 6 p.m. They would love to have more men to play, so tell all Crow High School graduates to join in the fun.

• Crow Middle and High School wrestling students have done very well; congratulations to you and your coaches on a job well done!

## 6-day weather forecast

FRIDAY

60° | 36°

Sunny

SATURDAY

55° | 42°

Partly Cloudy

SUNDAY

47° | 35°

Rain

MONDAY

47° | 30°

Rain

TUESDAY

54° | 39°

Partly Cloudy

WEDNESDAY

53° | 35°

Partly Cloudy

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