

# Timberlands access closed to private lands for fire season

A number of private timberland owners and managers in Western Oregon have agreed to close their land to public access starting on Monday, May 18. Due to drought conditions, and above-average temperatures, agencies are predicting a bad fire season in Oregon. Oregon has already experienced three times as many fires as normal this year, and Oregon Department of Forestry's SW Oregon District already started their

fire season May 1, which was the earliest start since 1968. It is anticipated that other fire districts will declare the official start of their respective fire seasons early as well. State parks and all national forests in Oregon have closed recreation sites including trails, campgrounds, day-use areas and boat launches due to the current coronavirus pandemic. Federal, state and local

officials are urging people to "do the right thing" by staying home, but as millions of acres of public lands in Oregon have been closed to recreation, the public's use of private lands has increased dramatically. Whereas public lands often have infrastructure to help keep people safe like trails for people to hike on, or fire rings in campgrounds to contain campfires, private timberlands do not have the infrastructure to handle the surge in

public visits safely. Since about 70 percent of Oregon's wildfires are started by people, the spike in public visits to private land has the potential to be dangerous for both the public visitors as well as the timberlands. The closure of public access includes timberlands in Benton, Coos, Curry, Douglas, Jackson, Josephine, Lane, Linn, and Polk counties starting on Monday.



## Pet Tips 'n' Tales

By Mary Ellen "Angel Scribe"

### Meet William and William



Namesakes William and, well... William

It was a day for celebration. Our daughter, Ariel, and her husband, Yossa, just had their third child. They kept the baby's name a secret. My husband, their other two children and I poured into Ariel's hospital room to meet the new family member. When they introduced us to "Baby William," his name had a familiar ring, but it took a minute to recall why. Her husband gently picked up William and said, "Come here Buddy" and handed him to my husband. I knew those names from somewhere! Then it hit! Their cat is William and their dog is Buddy! The baby was named after a repetitive family name, but the stray cat apparently took longer to name. When the kitten showed up on their porch, Yossa realized he had another pet mouth to feed! He instantly knew he had another "bill" to budget for, including a neutering bill! From Bill, the cat's name evolved to honor Prince William's recent marriage. It made sense (the cat had begun ruling their home) since it has an outside cat-castle enclosure and it lost its "family jewels" to neutering. Their rescue Dalmatian dog was named Buddy because he is everyone's best buddy. Pets resonate to their name and feel honored with a good name. Following are some readers' pets' names:

- Angel was heaven sent.
- Apollo, Jupiter, and Zeus, were named from mythology.
- Ashley is gray and lives on Ashland Avenue.
- Bear resembles a bear cub.
- Bentley is an upscale and classy dog.
- Casper is white and born on Halloween.
- Chip and Ruffles, named after snacks. Ruffles has fur-ruffles.
- Cooper after Anderson Cooper.
- Digit has extra toes on his paws.
- Dolly-Lama is a Himalayan cat.
- Dotty is covered in dots.
- Ebony's coat is black and her sister, Ivory, is white.
- Evenrude after an outboard motor — you can hear him purring across the room!
- Fixture, is a permanent fixture; he arrived and never left.
- Frisbee, born the year the toy was invented, and he flew around the house like one.
- Frosty, Snowy, and Snowball are white.
- Fuzzers is super fuzzy.
- Gayla's family attended a swimming gala the day she was adopted.
- George and Bailey's family love the Christmas movie "It's a Wonderful Life."
- Gizmo's parent never remembered the names of objects and is always asking, "Where's the gizmo?"
- Groben's human mother thinks Josh Groben is the cat's meow.
- Honey and Sugar, in honor of their colors and sweet personalities.
- Ivy is clingy and loves sitting in laps
- Jade has green eyes.
- Jewel is the gem of her parents' eyes.
- Jet is black and flies when he runs.
- Lucy, Charlie Brown, Schroeder = Peanuts comic strip characters.
- Midnight's and Luna's fur are as black as the night.
- Mr. Purrfect: Every woman should have a perfect man in her life.
- Purrl is as pretty as a pearl.
- Myster E.'s name is a mystery!
- Nymbus is huge, white, and fluffy like a Cumuli-Nimbus cloud.
- O.J.'s fur is the color of orange juice.
- Pepper is black
- Phideaux (Fido the cat) and Katt (Cat the dog).
- Piccaso, Patches, Collage, Marble, and Puzzle have patches of multicolored fur.
- Ping's and Pong's family love the game.
- Pollyanna was found abandoned, and named after the movie Pollyanna.
- Roswell, resembles an alien.
- Schmittien the kitten, because everyone is smitten with her.
- Shasta, a Californian rescue named after Mount Shasta.
- Saga, named for his long tale, errr tail.
- Willow is a soft pussy willow grey.
- Whyspurr rarely speaks.

# CG Historic Society offering \$200 education grant

In honor of one of their founders, Marcia E Allen, the Cottage Grove Historical Society is offering a grant of up to \$200 to educators in the Cottage Grove area and/or the South Lane School District area who choose to use some aspect of Cottage Grove area history in their classroom.

The grant is open to teachers of kindergarten through 12th grade in both public or private schools. The grant applications are due by June 30 and the funds will be awarded for the 2020/2021 school year. Any subject matter is eligible, so be creative. Some examples would be photo-

graphing or drawing historic sites for an art class, learning about local pioneers for an Oregon Trail unit, or having your students explore the history of their school. If you have any questions about the grant, you can private message them on their Facebook page at Cot-

tage Grove, Oregon Historical Society, or email them at cghistoricalsoc@gmail.com. The grant application can be found at www.cghistory.org/index.php/ed-grant. Note: the application says that the deadline is at the end of May, but it has been extended until the end of June.

# Blackberry Pie Society names primary election endorsements

The Cottage Grove Blackberry Pie Society, Cottage Grove's progressive political action committee, has released its political endorsements for the May 19 primary election. "We look at each race that will appear on our ballot in East Lane County and carefully evaluate each can-

didate and measure," said Leslie Rubinstein, Blackberry Pie Society Chairperson. "Our process was temporarily delayed this year due to the coronavirus, but once we gained our footing, we were able to conduct a thorough assessment and are pleased to support this slate."

The endorsements are available at the front door of the Bookmine, 702 E. Main St., in Cottage Grove and on the Blackberry Pie Society website at www.blackberrypiesociety.org. The Cottage Grove Blackberry Pie Society is a progressive PAC dedicated to promoting good politics

and great people in East Lane County and beyond, and having fun while doing it. For more information, contact Blackberry Pie Society at blackberrypie@gmail.com.

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## LORANE NEWS

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- Lorane Christian Church continues to hold drive-in services each Sunday at 10 a.m. This past Sunday was another good service with sunshine again plus a great attendance as more join in. Mothers were recognized with a rose on Mother's Day.
- Our Crow teachers and staff continue to do a great job. The high school principal and staff are planning a wonderful graduation for the seniors — all including social distancing. It'll be different but fun, special and a graduation to remember on June 5, beginning at 7 p.m. at the football field. They are also working on the painting of the senior wall and are contacting seniors at this time with instructions.
- In accordance with our State Grange Master, our governor and our Lorane Grange Master; Lorane Grange #54 will not have meetings at the hall in May or June. We will, however, call our executive committee and other members for work in the grange. It seems many events have been canceled, so stay tuned; there may be other events in Lorane this summer that could change.
- As we take this journey together, continue to be safe, wash hands and sanitize, wear your masks, plus practice social distancing. This will end, but for now we must take care of ourselves and others. Stay positive! Enjoy the beauty of spring that surrounds us everyday. Count our many blessings.

## 6-day weather forecast

<b>FRIDAY</b> 71°   48° Showers	<b>SATURDAY</b> 68°   51° Partly Cloudy
<b>SUNDAY</b> 61°   46° Rain	<b>MONDAY</b> 62°   46° Rain
<b>TUESDAY</b> 64°   46° Showers	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 64°   45° Showers

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