

# On The Record

## Douglas County hosts largest drive-through vaccine clinic to date

Douglas County Board of Commissioners, DPHN and Aviva Health collaborated to host the county's largest mass drive-through vaccine event to date on Saturday, April 3, at the Douglas County Fairgrounds.

The team of more than 102 county employees, DPHN employees, Aviva Health employees, healthcare workers and volunteers successfully administered 186 Johnson & Johnson single dose vaccines, 1,068 Pfizer first- and second-dose vaccines for a total of 1,254 vaccines.

This total also includes additional outreach efforts that day with 17 vaccines administered to those staying at the Roseburg Rescue Mission and the Good Samaritan Inn.

"Events of this scale do not just happen overnight or without great planning. I believe we have put together the best and most experienced team around to plan, organize and seamlessly execute mass drive-through events like this one," stated Commissioner Tim Freeman. "I would like to commend Teresa Mutschler, the

Executive Director at DPHN and Dr. Bob Dannenhoffer, our Douglas County Public Health Officer for their incredible work in running this event and for the successful outcome. Our collaborate efforts with members of the DCCRT team, DPHN, Aviva Health, Mercy Medical Center, Lower Umpqua Hospital and our local health care community partners continue to prove time and time again, that we are a leader and model for the rest of the state in how to effectively manage pandemic testing,

communications and vaccination efforts."

The mass drive-through vaccination event ran from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., and all residents who were previously eligible, as well as all newly eligible residents were invited to schedule an appointment.

In addition, residents that received their first dose of the Pfizer vaccine at the previous drive-through event held March 13 were invited to return for their second dose at the event as well.

"Our mass vaccine event last weekend was a

roaring success; we vaccinated over 1,200 Douglas County residents," said Dr. Bob Dannenhoffer, Douglas County Public Health Officer. "It was incredible. Thanks to the collaborative efforts with the Douglas County Commissioners, Aviva, our DCCRT partners and all the local volunteers, we were able to vaccinate more local residents. The clinic went smoothly with minimal wait times. I'm very pleased with how we were able to vaccinate so many people in one day, rivaling efforts in much larger counties,"

This event comes on the heels of the Thursday, April 1 mass vaccination effort by Aviva Health and DPHN, when 147 North Douglas County residents received the single dose J & J vaccine at their first event outside the Roseburg area.

The event in North County was also the debut of "Mobile 1," one of two mobile medical units Douglas County Commissioners assigned to Aviva Health to bring important health resources to underserved areas of the county.

### DEATH NOTICES

**RENTFROW**—Byron Shane Rentfrow, 42, of Cottage Grove, Ore., died April 2, 2021.

Arrangements are being made by Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel in Cottage Grove.

## Public Works releases March Building Inspection Report

For the month of March, the Building Division of the Public Works and Development Department issued 47 permits — two for single-family homes — and

performed 110 inspections in Cottage Grove.

In Creswell, 21 permits were issued, two for single-family homes, and 80 inspections were performed.

In Veneta, 17 permits were issued, one for a single-family home, and 32 inspections were performed.

In Coburg, five permits were issued, two for new

single-family homes, and 24 inspections were performed. Staff reviewed and approved 24 plan sets in March and 15 plan sets are in review or on hold.

## CG annual Tree Branch, Limb Pick-Up coming back in May

The City of Cottage Grove's annual Tree Branch and Limb Pick-up is only about a month away.

With the upcoming opportunities for great weather, now is the time to trim and start collecting the limbs and branches to put out for the city crews to pick up.

The first round of the Tree Branch and Limb

Pickup will begin on May 3.

The Tree Branch and Limb Pickup is meant to provide an opportunity for residents to trim trees and shrubs specifically those trees and shrubs that are located along streets and sidewalks and dispose of those materials at no cost.

Trees are supposed to be trimmed up to eight

feet above sidewalks and over 13 feet above the street.

Residents are asked to pay particular attention to those trees and their impact on the sidewalks and streets.

Make sure that no tree branches block signs.

In addition to trimming the trees that are along streets and sidewalks, residents should

feel free to trim all the other trees and shrubs on their property.

For more information about the Tree Branch and Limb Pickup program, visit the city's website and follow the links to the Tree Branch Pick-up.

## Drive-Thru vaccinations continue Fridays in CG

A weekly drive-up COVID-19 vaccination clinic in the Bohemia Park parking lot launched its first distribution event March 19, targeting residents 65 or older, and continues.

The vaccine clinic will be available every Friday from 10 a.m. to noon until further notice.

McCoy's Pharmacy has partnered with the City of Cottage Grove to help make sure members of the community get every opportunity to receive the vaccine.

The drive-up clinic is operating in addition to the vaccine availability at several local pharmacies.

The number of doses will be limited, so pre-registration is strongly recommended.

To register, contact Teresa Cowan or Jessica Klarr at the Community Center at 541-942-1185.

Those receiving a vaccine should bring an insurance or Medicare card

to the drive-up clinic.

The ongoing clinics will not be restricted to seniors, however, and Cottage Grove residents are urged to watch for announcements on what ages will be accepted at the future clinics.

For seniors with trans-

portation barriers, McCoy's Pharmacy has offered to make at-home deliveries.

"So please spread the word," said City Manager Richard Meyers. "Let the seniors know if they are unable to come, we will go to them."

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## Glen Bricker 1926-2021



Glendon Henry Bricker was born in Trent, Oregon on Dec. 23, 1926. He died of natural causes on Palm Sunday, March 28, 2021 at the Mennonite Home in Albany, Oregon at the age of 94.

He was the second child of William Henry Bricker and Bertha Ferguson Bricker. Glen joined older sister Ruth Bricker (Presley) in the family home. Later, younger sister Ardeth Bricker (McCartney) would be added to the Bricker family.

Lifelong friends and memories were made during Glen's childhood in Trent and Thurston, Oregon. In 1940, the family moved to Cottage Grove, Oregon where Glen would meet his future wife, Lucille Eastburn.

Glen spent his senior year attending Eugene High School where he was also able to also attend vocational school. Graduating in 1944, his moth-

er co-signed for him to enter the United States Navy the day following his 18th birthday in December 1944.

As a Radioman 3rd class in the Navy during World War II, his tour included serving proudly on Guam.

Following his Navy discharge, Glen and Lucille were married in Cottage Grove at the Sixth & Gibbs Avenue Church of Christ on March 15, 1947.

After daughter Judy was born, the Navy called Glen back to serve in the Korean War. Two more daughters would later be added, Carolyn and Arlene.

As a rural Oregon young man, he held several jobs in the sawmill and logging industry and in later years worked as a remodeling contractor.

Being a proud Oregonian, Glen appreciated the opportunity to fish in the rivers and ocean, and to hunt in the forests.

Glen enjoyed gardening and also had a great interest in refurbishing and collecting antique radios. Other antique collections filled his home and provided many opportunities to make new "collector" friends.

Together, Glen and Lucille enjoyed hosting friends and

family in their home.

For almost 75 years, Glen was a member of the Church of Christ at Sixth & Gibbs in Cottage Grove. Being a man of great faith, Glen was devoted to his church family and served many years as a teacher, deacon, and elder. Many young people attended Sunday school and church camp because Glen persisted in making that happen knowing that a spiritual foundation would be important for their future.

Glen and Lucille celebrated 66 years of marriage prior to her death in 2012. Also preceding him in death was son-in-law Robert Gilman in 2017.

He is survived by three daughters and their families, Judy (Robert) Gilman of Albany, Carolyn (Carl) Palmer of Portland, and Arlene (Steve) Erb of Medford. "Grandpa Bricker" will be missed by his 8 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren. Four great-great grandchildren will greatly miss their "Great-Bricker".

A private family graveside will be held at Fir Grove Cemetery in Cottage Grove. The family is planning a Celebration of Life service at a later date. Arrangements in the care of Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel, Cottage Grove, OR.

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