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Class of 2022: Off to challenge the world



Carla Moha

Students receiving scholarships from the local Masonic Lodge are recognized at an all-school awards ceremony last week.

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They are the bonafide leaders of tomorrow, this class of 61 seniors.

Tonight, they'll bid farewell to Warrenton High School and begin living their dreams. With all the responsibilities of adults.

They're a pretty impressive group, with seniors earning more than \$250,000 in scholarships and contributing hundreds of hours toward community service through blood drives, roadside trash and

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Special graduation pull-out section inside.

Warrenton High School Commencement

7 p.m.
Friday, June 10

Warrenton High School
Football Field
1700 S. Main Ave.



Valedictorian
Zander Moha



Salutatorian
Alyssa Thoma

Driver shortage is mother of invention Transit district turns to former inmates

By **CINDY YINGST**
The Columbia Press



Hazen

Finding viable employees has become increasingly difficult for many businesses and, in the public sector, a lack of job candidates has led to office closures and service reductions.

Unemployment rates are at historic lows and many post-pandemic workers have left the job pool.

For Sunset Empire Transportation District, which provides bus service throughout Clatsop County and beyond, address-

ing the worker shortage has required creativity.

"Our district had to cut service in September by 27 percent just because we don't have enough drivers," SETD Director Jeff Hazen told fellow members of the state's Public Transportation Advisory Committee late last year. "All our drivers were working six and seven days a week, and even with cutting the service so much, drivers are still working six days a week."

A potential solution: look to the prison and parole systems.

The idea was proposed by Julia Castillo, head of a transit agency in Iowa, in a

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UO has close ties to Ukrainian campus

By **SHARLEEN NELSON**
University of Oregon

Earlier this year, students at Ukrainian Catholic University in Lviv were busy with their studies, enjoying in-person classes again and looking forward to things returning to normal.

Today, the UCU campus, located on the border of Poland in the westernmost part of Ukraine, has become a major supply hub and sanctuary for displaced refugees fleeing bombs and invading Russian troops in eastern Ukraine.

University of Oregon associate professor of architecture Gerald Gast has been

monitoring the situation closely from Portland. He has friends, colleagues and family in Ukraine.

And, since 2008, campus construction of five new buildings that make up the UCU campus near Stryiskyi Park in Lviv have been the focus of an ongoing master design project with graduate students involved in the UO's Urban Projects Workshop in the College of Design.

Founded in 2002, the program provides advanced UO architecture students with opportunities for immersion in research, public architecture and urban design

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