



THE HOUSE THAT JERRY BUILT



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Bonnie Schein stands outside the cottage her late brother, Jerry Bosco, built. The words on the home state "This is the house that Jerry built."

Unique Victorian cabin will be open to the public

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JERRY BOSCO WAS INTERESTED IN preserving historic pieces from a young age.

"He used to bring home door frames and windows on his bicycle," said Bonnie Schein, remembering her late brother as a child.

The Tolovana Park cottage Bosco built, which started as one room in the 1950s and expanded throughout the years, demonstrates his lifelong dedication to historic preservation, as co-founder of the Architectural Heritage Center.

The historic house, located at 3678 Pacific, will be open for the public to view from 1 to 3 p.m. on Saturday, July 30.

Schein and Bosco's family grew up spending summers in a cabin next door to the cottage.

Created using parts of old Victorian houses torn down in the Portland area to

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Residents defend short-term rentals in Cannon Beach

Potential 'major overhaul' of ordinances debated

By Lyra Fontaine
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A dozen people spoke out against potential changes to Cannon Beach's short-term rental ordinance — including a temporary freeze on transient rental permits — at a Planning Commission public hearing July 21.

"I think the council couldn't consider suspending anything unless they spend time thinking about it and listening to public comment," short-term rental owner Joe Petrino said.

The Cannon Beach City Council is considering a "major overhaul" of the short-term rental program, the staff report stated. Proposed changes are suspending issuance of new transient rental five-year permits while the council reviews the program, and moving short-term rental regulations from the zoning ordinance to a stand-alone ordinance.

"There is a vital and really historical sharing of our blessings of Cannon Beach by owning a home and renting it out to friends and family," resident Les Wierson said, adding that Seaside and Gearhart have more short-term rentals than Cannon Beach.

The change would not affect existing transient or vacation home rental permits. Vacation home rental permits could still be issued.

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Cannon Beach Academy aims for 2017 opening

Board members hope for charter approval from district

By Lyra Fontaine
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In March, the Seaside School District withdrew its conditional approval for Cannon Beach Academy to open this fall. After a now-canceled appeal to the state, the charter school's board members are preparing for next fall by working with the district and maintaining local support.

"We want to work with the Seaside School District," board president Kellye Dewey said at a July 21 board meeting.

Board members, aiming for a September 2017 opening, hope the district will approve the academy's charter application at the August district board meeting.

The district denied the academy based on conditions, interim executive director Ryan Hull said, but did not accept or deny the academy's charter application.

"I would love to have a denial with reasons to move forward," Hull said. "We are still in limbo."

If the district denies the academy's application, they must provide reasons, Hull said. The academy would examine the reasons and could resubmit their application to the district or state.

After the district's March withdrawal of conditional approval, Cannon Beach Academy submitted an appeal to the state, working to get its application state-approved.

The Oregon Department of Education asked the two parties to negotiate, board members said. The academy rescinded the appeal.

Seaside School District and Cannon Beach Academy representatives — including Superintendent emeritus Doug Dougherty, Superintendent Sheila Roley, Hull, district and academy board members, and lawyers from both parties — met on June 20 and discussed budgets, students per class, out-of-district students and grants.

The academy "applied for a large federal grant and scored very well" but was denied the grant, since schools with an approved charter application are considered first, the academy stated in a public update.

The district offered to write a letter of support the academy could use in grant applications.

"A letter would give us a better opportunity to get the grants," Hull said.

A long road

In 2014, the district denied the academy's proposals. Last year, some district teachers spoke

Fire rescue training pays off



CANNON BEACH FIRE AND RESCUE

Firefighters receive training in helicopter operations.

Fire District institutes vehicle policy

By Lyra Fontaine
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Don't drive your car to fires, firefighters in Cannon Beach have been told.

Volunteers should avoid using personal vehicles to respond to calls, Benedict said at the monthly Cannon Beach Rural Fire Protection District board meeting.

Instead, they should use a vehicle at the fire station, unless they have proper justification, Benedict said. One mistake could be a "liability for the district."

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