

Mill City man wins \$1 million in Oregon Lottery

By James Day

A Mill City man is \$1 million richer and the local store that sold him the ticket has an extra \$10,000 to spend.

That was the local payoff for the most recent jumbo Powerball jackpot frenzy, which ultimately resulted in a \$1.765 billion payoff to a California player after the Wednesday, Oct. 11 drawing.

As that jackpot accumulated Thomas Willard of Mill City won a cool \$1 million for getting the first five numbers correct on the ticket he purchased Oct. 9. He only missed the Powerball number, 14, on what would have been a \$1.55 billion payoff.

Willard, 77, told Oregon Lottery officials that he only plays when jackpots grow to large amounts and declared that “at our age (the \$1 million) is just about right.”

Willard said he plans to buy a new pick-up truck and a riding scooter for Nancy Willard, his wife of 49 years. Lottery officials said he declined to be photographed.

It was Nancy who first spotted the windfall when she checked the couple’s numbers online on the morning after the drawing.

At first, she thought the couple had won \$100,000. Then she checked again, realized it was a \$1 million ticket. She told her husband “wake up, you have to see this!”

The Willards purchased the ticket at the 7 Star Grocery outlet on First Avenue in Mill City. The store will collect a \$10,000 commission for selling the prize-winning ticket.



The 7 Star Grocery outlet on First Avenue in Mill City sold the Powerball ticket that won \$1 million for Thomas and Nancy Willard of Mill City.

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The city of Detroit has been discussing how many RVs should be allowed on residential lots. The City Council passed the code package that includes the RV limits at its Oct. 10 meeting. FILE PHOTO

Detroit code OK’d on 5-2 vote

By James Day

The polarizing Detroit development code update is one step closer to taking effect.

The City Council on a 5-2 vote on Oct. 10, passed the first reading of an ordinance that would rework its code, a key city goal in the post-wildfire environment. The split vote matched the vote when, after lengthy public debate, the council requested city staff bring the ordinance forward.

Voting for the new code were councilors Denny Nielsen, Michele Tesdal, Todd Smith, Eric Page

and Mayor Jim Trett. Tim Luke and Greg Shepard voted no.

Because the vote was not unanimous the council is scheduled for a second reading of the ordinance at its Oct. 24 meeting. If approved there the code will take effect 30 days later.

No amendments were made to the code package, which was backed in April by the Planning Commission before going through a pair of lengthy council public hearings.

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Idanha-Detroit Fire seeks levy renewal

By James Day

The Idanha-Detroit Rural Fire Protection District is seeking an extension of its operations levy.

Measure 24-489 is the lone Santiam Canyon measure on what is generally a light Nov. 7 ballot statewide.

The district includes property owners in both Marion and Linn counties.

The levy would continue to charge property owners 68 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value and thus does not constitute a tax increase. The levy would cost a property owner whose property is assessed at

\$300,000 about \$205 per year.

The funds will be used by the district to pay for staffers during the peak fire season of May 15 through Sept. 30. With the funds the district would be able to pay two medic-firefighters for 40 hours per week during that time period.

“This would allow for the quick response of personnel to suppress fire, save lives and property,” district officials said in the summary of the measure in the voters’ pamphlet.

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Gates mayor Gander resigns amid recall petition

By James Day

Gates mayor Brian Gander has resigned, and the Gates City Council will be charged with naming his successor.

Gander, who moved from councilor to mayor in January after the Sept. 29, 2022, death of Mayor Ron Carmickle, resigned effective Thursday, Oct. 12, after being targeted by a recall petition.

The Gates City Council was scheduled to discuss the issue at its Oct. 19 meeting after *The Canyon Weekly’s* presstime. Gander was scheduled to speak during the public comment period.

Council President Patrick Rahm, who was set to preside at the meeting, said the council will accept the resignation and declare the mayor’s position vacant.

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PacifiCorp decision delayed after new arguments in court

By Stephen Floyd

A decision on whether or not PacifiCorp should pay damages to fire survivors who received insurance payouts has been delayed after new arguments were raised in court.

A hearing was held Oct. 13 in *James et al vs. PacifiCorp* on whether or not the company should pay \$4.4 million out of a \$90 million verdict due to PacifiCorp’s recent settlement with insurers.

A Multnomah County jury found the company liable June 12 for negligently causing the Santiam, South Obenchain, Echo Mountain and 242 fires on Labor Day, 2020. A second trial phase is under way to determine damages to a class of 5,000 fire survivors.

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Obituary

Christine Chaffey

Jan. 23, 1949 – Oct. 5, 2023

Christine Agnes Chaffey, 74, died Oct. 5, 2023. She was born to Christine Curphey and Walter J. Dahlgren on Jan. 23, 1949, in Portland.

Christine married Phillip in Reno, Nevada, and together they built a life in Oregon – living in Donald, Aurora and Elkhorn. She was a dedicated stay-at-home mom, and later worked in food service for the local school. She was an all-star slow pitch softball player, and loved sports.



Christine was an avid cross-stitcher, loved music and camping. She was a constant presence at her children’s and grandchildren’s sporting events and plays.

Christine was preceded in death by her parents, and her brother, Steven Dahlgren.

Christine is survived by her husband, Philip Chaffey; sons, Scott, Frank and Jon Chaffey; daughters, June and Brandy; brother, Walt; sister, Janis; grandchildren, Allyson and Wyatt; and great-grandchildren, Aubrey, Zane and Avery.

A graveside service is set for 10:45 a.m. Friday, Oct. 20, at Willamette National Cemetery in Portland.

A Celebration of Life will take place at 1 p.m. Oct. 21 as a potluck at 8521 Elkhorn Dr., Lyons.

Arrangements entrusted to Weddle Funeral Service, Stayton.

Jackpot *from page 1*

The large jackpot began building on July 22. Oregon players took home \$7.75 million in prizes as the jackpot grew in the Powerball game, which can be played in 45 U.S. states as well as the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

The largest Oregon Powerball prize was a \$340 winner in 2005.

The estimate of the winning pot for the Wednesday, Oct. 18, Powerball drawing was \$49 million.

The Oregon Lottery press release on Willard’s prize noted that since the state began selling lottery tickets in 1985, it has brought in nearly \$15.5 billion for economic development, public education, outdoor school, state parks, veteran services, and watershed enhancements.

Approximately a third of sales from Powerball are returned to state beneficiaries to support economic development, education, veteran services, state parks and other programs.

Wildfire prevention grants available

Applications are due Nov. 3 for small forestland owners

By James Day

The Oregon Department of Forestry has \$2.5 million in state grants available to help small forestland owners reduce their wildfire risks.

The funding stems from allocations authorized by Senate Bill 762, the 2021 legislation that was designed to serve as a comprehensive wildfire preparedness and resiliency bill amid the fires that have plagued the state, including the Labor Day 2020 blazes that affected huge swathes of the Santiam Canyon.

The grant program is taking applications now through Nov. 3 at <https://www.oregon.gov/odf/pages/small-forestland-grant-program.aspx>. Projects must support “small forestland owner(s),” defined as an individual, group or federally recognized Indian tribe in Oregon, who owns up to 160 acres west of the crest of the Cascades or up to 640 acres east of the crest of the Cascades.

Like all government grant submissions, eligibility requirements must be met for this program. Here are some of the main ones:

- Projects must reduce the risk of high severity wildfire by treating hazardous fuels and at least 75 percent of project costs must go toward this goal.
- The minimum funding request is \$10,000. The

maximum is \$300,000.

- All project work must be completed by May, 2025.
- Project cannot generate net revenue.
- Equipment costs are applicable if they meet the intent of the grant to support small forestland owners in reducing wildfire risk through the restoration of landscape resiliency and the reduction of hazardous fuels on the owners’ property. Prescribed fire equipment is applicable. However, fire suppression equipment is not.

“The small forestland grant program is offering funding for projects that reduce wildfire risk through the restoration of landscape resiliency and the reduction of hazardous fuels (vegetation),” said Jenna Trentadue, ODF’s state initiatives grant coordinator in a news release.

“The projects may treat multiple private ownerships as long as each owner receiving treatment meets the small forestland owner’s definition. It is beneficial to work together with other landowners or with a sponsor for the application, selection of a contractor, and final reporting requirements.

“Projects covered by these grants are a major step toward protecting people, their homes, and natural resources in Oregon by making private forestland healthier and more resilient in the face of changing climate and wildfire environment. I highly encourage people to apply and take advantage of this grant program.”

Detroit code *from page 1*

The code ordinance includes standards on accessory dwelling units (ADUs), setbacks, driveway aprons, vehicle and parking standards, metal roofs, airbnbs, extensions and exemptions and adds new definitions and clarifies language throughout, but the lone piece that drew a strong community response was a limitation on RVs in residential zones.

An early iteration of the code package called for allowing one RV year-round and a second during the high recreational season of April 1 through Oct. 31. It was amended on a motion by Nielsen that added a process of a conditional use permit for a second seasonal RV on properties of 10,000 square feet or more.

The RV debate proved to be a severely divisive issue for a town still in recovery from the 2020 wildfires. Many residents questioned whether allowing large numbers of RVs was the correct approach. Others noted Detroit’s history of large family get-togethers at the lake. Residents noted in public testimony about neighbors no longer speaking to each other as well as more confrontational encounters.

The July 11 and Aug. 8 public hearings on the code featured standing-room-only crowds and occasional boisterousness as councilors heard from approximately three dozen people during the two sessions. A strong majority of those testifying opposed the RV restrictions.

Dozens of community members at a series of council meetings wore light blue T-shirts that featured an image of a travel trailer amid language that cited the “Spirit of Detroit,” “Long Live Tradition” and advocated “Lake, Sun, Family, Fun and RVS.”

- In other agenda items at the Oct. 10 session:
- Councilors voted in favor of a resolution backing a cooperative agreement between the city and the Willamette National Forest on facilities and maintenance in the Detroit Flats day-use area, which includes city land as well as Army Corps of Engineers property maintained by the Forest Service.
 - Councilors also backed a resolution on a five-year lease by the Detroit Lake Foundation for space in the Detroit Community Center on West Santiam Avenue. The foundation will pay \$1 per year in rent.

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Property tax statements in the mail

By Alex Paul

Linn County Communications

Linn County residents began receiving their property tax statements this week, according to Assessor and Tax Collector Andy Stevens.

Stevens said some 62,000 statements will be mailed on Oct. 19. If you do not receive your tax statement by Nov. 1, you can call the Assessment and Taxation office at 541-967-3808.

Stevens reminds people that property taxes are based on January 2023 values, so they are about one year behind current day's value. And, he added, taxes are levied on the Assessed Value of a property.

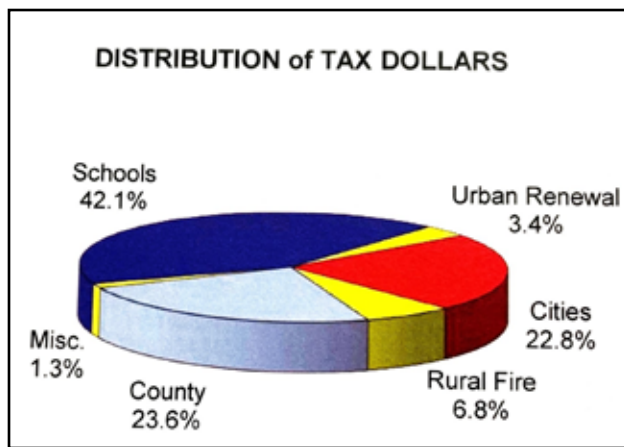
Stevens said the Real Market Value of all property in Linn County is about \$27 billion (up \$2 billion) and the Assessed Value is about \$13 billion (up about \$600 million).

Schools receive more than 42 percent of Linn County taxes, the county receives 23 percent, cities 22 percent, rural fire districts almost 7 percent, urban renewal 3.5 percent and miscellaneous 1.3 percent.

Taxable values by city are: Albany, \$4.2 billion; Brownsville, \$154 million; Gates, \$5.3 million; Halsey, \$71 million; Harrisburg, \$282 million; Idanha, \$5 million; Lebanon, \$1.5 billion; Lyons, \$111 million; Mill City, \$95 million; Millersburg, \$730 million; Scio, \$63.8 million; Sodaville, \$20.8 million; Sweet Home, \$606 million.

The total estimated tax revenue is \$221,932,527. Real property, \$203,027,353; personal property, \$6,503,549; manufactured structures, \$9,546,334.

"People may think property values should be down because they are looking at today's slow-



down in the market, but these values are as of January 1, 2023," Stevens said.

Stevens says the Assessor's Office acts like "historians" when it comes to property values.

Pay your taxes in full by Nov. 15 and receive a 3 percent discount.

There are two payment drop boxes, including one at the west entrance of the Linn County Courthouse.

Information flyers will be included with tax statements and disabled veterans or spouses are reminded they can apply for exemptions.

You can look up your individual tax information at <https://www.linncountyor.gov/assessor/page/account-detail>.

Taxes can be paid on-line at <https://www.linncountyor.gov/assessor/page/online-tax-payments>.

The site also features videos that explain the property tax system at <https://www.linncountyor.gov/assessor/page/property-tax-informational-videos>.

If you have any questions call 541-967-3808.

Harvesting training offered for private forestry changes

By James Day

Massive changes are taking place in timber harvesting as of January 1 and the state is offering free training sessions so that private companies can receive information on the new rules.

The changes stem from legislation that supports the Private Forest Accord (PFA) and are aimed at providing "regulatory certainty" for timber companies. The PFA is an agreement between the timber industry, small forest landowners, and conservation groups.

The training is entitled "Forest Practices Act changes – streams, roads and more."

The largest changes, said Jennifer Ward, training coordinator for the Oregon Department of Forestry's forest resources division "are with stream buffers and the construction, maintenance and inventory of forest roads. We will present these new rules and more importantly take the time to answer questions related to the rule changes."

Other training topics include:

- Programs specifically designed to help the owners of small acreage forestlands.
- Updates on the new Forest Conservation Tax Credit Program, which provides financial benefits to small forestland owners who support conservation and habitat protection by leaving a larger unharvested area next to streams as a conservation area for the protection of wildlife habitat.

The free training program is scheduled for 9 a.m. to noon on Tuesday, Nov. 7 at the Holiday Inn in Wilsonville, 25425 SW 95th Ave. Go to <https://www.oregon.gov/odf/working/pages/fpa.aspx> to register. Classes also are scheduled for the same time on Oct. 26 at the Baker City Best Western Sunridge Inn and the Klamath County Events Center in Klamath Falls.

"These are the most sweeping changes to the Forest Practices Act (FPA) since it was enacted in 1973," said Ward, "and we are providing (these) training opportunities to help people better understand the changes and the possible impacts on their land."

"This training is geared toward landowners and operators, including small forest landowners. Anyone is welcome to attend and learn more about these new rules."

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Friends of H2A up and running

By Stephen Floyd

A booster club for Santiam Hearts 2 Arts has held a successful organizing meeting and plans to gather monthly to discuss program and outreach opportunities.

Friends of H2A held its first monthly meeting Oct. 19, at Stewart's Hall, in Mill City, and plans to continue meeting the third Thursday of each month.

This was after an introductory town hall meeting Sept. 27 during which prospective members could learn about the goals of the group and opportunities to volunteer.

Friends of H2A organizer Joyce Royland said the town hall was "a great success" with many residents in attendance and multiple individuals signing up to join.

"A lively discussion introduced prospective members, their backgrounds and interests, and demonstrated the interest in and potential for this new activity for people of the Santiam Canyon," said Royland.

The stated goal of Friends of H2A is to discuss upcoming and ongoing H2A events and how members could volunteer, either by lending their expertise or simply spreading the word.

Members are also encouraged to consider possible new programs that could showcase their skillsets and interests.

For information or to join, contact Royland at roylaj@yahoo.com or through H2A's website santiamh2a.org. Friends of H2A can also be found on Facebook.

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Santiam takes Colton to the limit, falls 36-28

By James Day

The Santiam High football team put together its most complete game of the season Oct. 13 against visiting Colton.

The Wolverines scored four TDs and totaled 28 points, their highest total since facing Gervais on Sept. 22. But Colton managed one TD more and triumphed 36-28 to move to 2-5 overall and 1-3 in the Tri-River Conference. Santiam fell to 0-6, 0-5.

“We went into the game with a pretty solid plan,” coach **Lyle Schroeder** told *The Canyon Weekly*. “We knew we needed to stop Colton’s run game as their passing game is minimal.”

Lulus LeBahn scored a pair of TDs for Santiam, with **Xavier Vital** and **Esai Romero** also finding the end zone. The Wolverines battled some bad luck also, with three scores called back because of penalties.

Schroeder had high praise for lineman **Nathan Hedge**, a 6-1, 195-pound junior.

“One player who stood out for us both offensively and defensively, was Nathan Hedge,” Schroeder said. “His work on the O-line and at defensive end was huge for us. Nate just returned to the program after suffering an injury in the first game of the season. We are grateful to have him back.”

Santiam hosts Monroe (3-3 overall, 2-2 Special District 2) at 7 p.m. Oct. 20, on senior night.

“Monroe will be another good challenge for us,” Schroeder. “They have a great running back and a pretty good receiver too. However, if we shut these two players down, it really puts a kink in their offensive game plan. The only thing hampering us right now is numbers and injuries. This week will be an uphill battle, but my boys are resilient and will put up a good fight.”

Seniors who will be honored at the Monroe game are **Sam Schroeder, Esai Romero, Wyatt Dayton, Dalton Mount, Brody Brown, Hayden Cram** and **Harley Davidson**.

Scio, meanwhile, improved to 6-1 overall and 4-1 in Special District 2 with a 44-8 road win at Newport. The



Here is the Santiam volleyball squad and coaches. The Wolverines finished the regular season tied with Blanchet Catholic for third place in the Tri-River Conference and were participating in league playoffs at The Canyon Weekly presstime.

Loggers, who are ranked 9th in Class 3A, host No. 12 Santiam Christian (5-3, 4-1) at 7 p.m. Oct. 20 at Newcomb Stadium in the battle for second place in the district. Dayton is 5-0 and already has defeated SC and Scio. The Loggers can clinch a Class 3A playoff berth with a win this week or next week at Jefferson.

VOLLEYBALL: The Santiam volleyball squad took down Blanchet Catholic 3-1 on Oct. 12 to force a tie for third place in the Tri-River Conference between the two schools. The Wolverines, 15-8 overall and 9-6 in the TRC, are ranked 8th in Class 2A. The team was set Oct. 19 to host an opponent to be determined in the league playoffs, but that was after

The Canyon Weekly presstime. Four Tri-River teams automatically qualify for the Class 2A playoffs, with three more at-large berths available statewide.

Scio, meanwhile, concluded its PacWest Conference season against Sheridan on Oct. 18, also after *The Canyon Weekly* deadline. The Loggers entered the week 14-6 overall, tied with Dayton at 8-3 in the PacWest behind 11-0 Santiam Christian. Scio is ranked No. 7 in Class 3A and seems likely to receive one of the league’s three automatic playoff berths.

CROSS COUNTRY: Runners for Scio and Santiam will compete in district championships next week.

The Loggers and Wolverines run

Thursday, Oct. 26 in the Class 3A-2A-1A Special District 2 meet at Cheadle Lake Park in Lebanon. The boys 3A varsity and junior varsity races start at 3 p.m., followed by 3A-2A-1A girls varsity and junior varsity at 3:45, with boys 2A-1A varsity and junior varsity finishing the slate at 4:30 p.m. All races will be run on a 5,000-meter course.

Loggers junior **Chris Ennis** is ranked 32nd and freshman teammate **Syrus Diaz** is ranked 41st in the district, according to race lists compiled by athletic.net. Teams and individual runners will be seeking slots in the OSAA state championships on Nov. 4 at Lane Community College in Eugene.

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Two appointments round out Santiam Canyon board

By Stephen Floyd

The Santiam Canyon School District (SCSD) Board has two new appointees, restoring the body to five people and allowing it to move forward with building projects and long-term planning.

Lynda Harrington, a community organizer and former Mill City Council member, was appointed Sept. 13 to Zone 2 Position 1, which was left vacant after the May 16 election.

Then Jamey Fawcett, former SCSD board member, was appointed Oct. 11 to Zone 1 Position 1 after interim-board member Rich Moore stepped down.

Superintendent Todd Miller said the board can now move forward with

construction of a new district office, as well as strategic planning and goal-setting. He said the district is “in a good spot” with the current board and he is optimistic they will move the SCSD forward.

“I feel confident in this group’s ability to work together, problem-solve, and find solutions to best serve our community and students,” said Miller. “Even with some turnover in the past year, I feel very fortunate.”

The board lost three members in April when Fawcett, Mary Schenk and Jeremy Tinney, resigned in protest of new state financial disclosure laws, leaving two sitting board members. The body could not conduct business without a quorum of at least three people,

so former long-time board member Rich Moore stepped in to serve on a temporary basis.

The two unfilled positions were on the May 16 ballot and Zone 1 Position 3 went to write-in candidate Elizabeth Reeser. She also won Zone 2 Position 1, but was not eligible due to residency requirements, nor could she hold two positions on the board at once. and the position was left vacant.

In August, the board chose to fill the position by appointment and settled on Harrington, whom Miller described as someone who “brings great questions” and has “high standards.” She’s served multiple terms on the Mill City Council, including as council president, and was also chair of the Save Our Bridge

Committee, which sought funds to restore the historic railroad bridge.

Miller cited Harrington’s experience on the committee as examples of her experience with capital campaigns, grant applications and infrastructure projects. Harrington also has experience with education as a director on the Regis/St. Mary Foundation.

Miller also said Fawcett brings valuable experience in the construction industry, which he said will be “key” as the district moves forward with office replacement and other projects. Miller said Fawcett has served the district well in past years and he was glad to have Fawcett back.

In addition to board service, Fawcett has a history with student athletics.

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Calendar

WEEKLY EVENTS

MONDAY

Santiam Canyon Tool Library – 9 a.m. - noon, 40070 Gates School Road, Gates. Borrow tools, equipment and instructional materials. Repeats Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday. Sign up and view inventory at santiamcanyontoollibrary.myturn.com

Stayton Community Food Bank – 9 a.m. - noon, 1210 Wilco Road. Monday - Friday. 503-769-4088

Senior Meals – 11:30 a.m. Age 60 and older. Serves Stayton, Sublimity, Aumsville, Lyons, Mehama. Repeats Wednesday, Friday. \$3 donation suggested. Ginger, 503-769-7995.

Santiam Canyon Community Chorus – 7 p.m., Stewart’s Hall, 158 SW Broadway, Mill City. All singers welcome. Jo Ann Hebing, 503-859-2502

TUESDAY

Storytime – 9:30 a.m., Scio Public Library, 38957 NW First Ave. Children through age 5. 503-394-3342

Mill City and Gates Community Center Food Pantry – 10 a.m. - noon, 258 SW Cedar St. Repeats 6 - 8 p.m. Thursdays. 503-897-4904

Meals on Wheels – noon, Presbyterian Church, 236 SW Broadway St., Mill City. \$5 suggested donation. Repeats Thurs. RSVP: Vicki, 503-897-2204.

Bingo – 1 - 4 p.m., North Santiam Eagles Lodge, 640 SW Broadway St., Mill City. Open to public. Snacks available for purchase. 503-897-3100

J.A.M Time – 3:20 - 4:30 p.m., Mill City Presbyterian Church, 236 SW Broadway. Children spend time singing, hearing bible stories, watching and taking part in skits. Students are picked up after school and escorted to the church by adult volunteers. To attend, contact Mill City Elementary, 503-897-2368.

AA Meeting – 6 p.m., Idanha City Hall, 111 Highway 22. All welcome.

WEDNESDAY

Wellness Van – 11758 SE Sublimity Road, Sublimity. Free mental health, substance abuse screenings. Appt: 503-769-2175 ext. 8414.

Dominoes – 1:30 p.m., Scio Senior Center, 38957 NW First Ave.

Jefferson Food Pantry – 3 - 6 p.m., 310 N Second St., Jefferson. Serves communities of Scio and Crabtree. No ID necessary. 503-779-9807

Awana Club – 6 - 7:45 p.m., Canyon Bible Fellowship, 446 Cedar St., Lyons. Program reaches out to boys and

girls with the Gospel of Christ while training them to serve. Grades 3 - 5. Free. Starts Sept. 13. 503-897-2716

Alcoholic Anonymous –7 p.m., Gates Church of Christ, 40070 Gates School Road. Open discussion group.

THURSDAY

North Santiam Gleaners – 11 a.m. - 2 p.m., IOOF Hall, 38952 Highway 226, Scio. 503-394-2147

Canasta – 1:30 p.m., Scio Senior Center, 38957 NW First Ave.

Point Man Ministries – 6 p.m., Canyon Bible Fellowship, 446 Cedar St., Lyons. Veterans support organization. 503-859-2627

FRIDAY

Cars & Coffee – 8 a.m., Covered Bridge Cafe, 510 N Third Ave., Stayton. Bring your classic vehicles for coffee, breakfast.

Idanha and Detroit Community Food Pantry – 9 a.m. - noon., 397 Church St., Idanha. 503-854-3030

Pinochle – 1 - 4 p.m., Canyon Service Center, 844 S First St., Mill City. For those 50 and older. joannewithcsc@gmail.com, 503-302-7420

Oaks Canyon Youth – 5 - 7:45 p.m., Old School Community & Youth Center, 22057 SE Emma St., Lyons. Worship, games, quizzing, fellowship. Free dinner. oaksofglory.com/youth

Alcoholics Anonymous – 6 p.m., SOCC, 280 NE Santiam Blvd., Mill City. 971-332-5676

THIS WEEK

FRIDAY, OCT. 20

Community Play Group – 10 - 11:30 a.m., Santiam Chapel Assembly of God, 440 Fifth St., Lyons. Free Community Play Group sponsored by Family Building Blocks. Includes complimentary snacks. RSVP: 503-566-2132, familybuildingblocks.org.

Grange Haunted House – 6 - 9 p.m., Santiam Valley Grange, 1140 Fifth St., Lyons. Appropriate for all ages. Fog machine will be in use. \$5/person. 503-859-2161

Scio vs Santiam Christian Football – 7 p.m., Scio High, 38875 NW First Ave.

Santiam vs Monroe Football – 7 p.m., Santiam High, 300 SW Cedar St., Mill City.

SATURDAY, OCT. 21

Old Detroit History Jamboree – 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Detroit Community Center, 345 Santiam Ave. Multi-day event full of activities to explore the

history of Detroit, which was moved in 1953 to make way for the Detroit Dam. Learn about Old Detroit, share stories, bring historical artifacts to be digitied, chat with community members and more. Free. Open to all. The Atlas of Drowned Towns is a public history project exploring places that were moved or eliminated to make way for large dams. Repeats Oct. 22. For more information, visit drownedtowns.com.

Casino Night – 6 - 9 p.m., ZCBJ Hall, 38704 N Main St., Scio. Scio Loggers Booster Club fundraiser. \$25/ person includes casino-style gaming, food, dessert silent auction, drawings and more. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Event open to all 21 years of age and older.

Grange Haunted House – 6 - 9 p.m., Santiam Valley Grange, 1140 Fifth St., Lyons. Appropriate for all ages. Fog machine will be in use. \$5/person. 503-859-2161

KYAC Concert Series – 7 p.m., Stewart’s Hall, 158 SW Broadway St., Mill City. Claudia Schmidt performs. Beer and wine served. Advance general admission is \$20; at door \$25. Tickets available kyacfm.org.

SUNDAY, OCT. 22

Grange Haunted House – 6 - 8 p.m., Santiam Valley Grange, 1140 Fifth St., Lyons. Appropriate for all ages. Fog machine will be in use. \$5/person. 503-859-2161

TUESDAY, OCT. 24

Dementia Care Conversations – 3 - 4 p.m. Zoom. Free group for unpaid caregivers providing support to a loved one living with dementia. The focus is to provide dementia care information, training and resources to family caregivers. Offered by Family Caregiver Support Program at North-West Senior and Disability Services. To request a referral to the group, contact the Aging and Disability Resource Connection at 503-304-3420.

Lyons City Council – 6:30 p.m., Lyons City Hall, 449 Fifth St. Open to public. Agenda available. 503-859-2167, cityofflyons.org

THURSDAY, OCT. 26

Grange Haunted House – 6 - 8 p.m., Santiam Valley Grange, 1140 Fifth St., Lyons. Appropriate for all ages. Fog machine will be in use. \$5/person. 503-859-2161

Santiam vs Regis Football – 7 p.m., Regis High, 550 W Regis St., Stayton.

FRIDAY, OCT. 27

Ghost Tour & Chocolate Walk – 5:30 - 9 a.m., downtown Stayton.

Groups leave Brown House every 10 minutes, and proceed to several shops downtown to find costumed characters who will share history and stories about Historic Downtown Stayton. After hearing history, participants will receive chocolate treats from participating stores when you return to those locations. Participants are encouraged to wear a costume. Tickets, \$17.50, must be purchased online at brownhouse.org. No ticket sales after Oct. 20.

Grange Haunted House – 6 - 9 p.m., Santiam Valley Grange, 1140 Fifth St., Lyons. Appropriate for all ages. Fog machine will be in use. \$5/person. 503-859-2161

NEXT WEEK

SATURDAY, OCT. 28

Joseph’s Storehouse of Hope – 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., Mari-Linn School, 641 Fifth St., Lyons. Food boxes. 503-881-9846

Tombstone Talks – Noon - 4 p.m., St. Boniface Catholic Church, 375 SE Church St., Sublimity. Groups will walk through St. Boniface Cemetery on a guided path to each tombstone to listen to an actor talk about the person buried there. Tombstones visited include Tony Bietel, Hank & Evelyn Miotke, Peter Charles Freres, Ed & Benitia Ebner, Clara Neal, Joseph & Katherine Etzel. Tours are \$5/person. Along with the tour will be Mill Creek Carriages wagon rides, Fall Harvest Country Store, drawings. Chicken and noodle dinner from noon - 6 p.m. \$13/person. For reservations and dinner tickets, visit saintboniface.net. 503-769-5664

Grange Haunted House – 6 - 9 p.m., Santiam Valley Grange, 1140 Fifth St., Lyons. Appropriate for all ages. Fog machine will be in use. \$5/person. 503-859-2161

Halloween Party – 6 p.m., North Santiam Eagles Lodge, 640 SW Broadway St., Mill City. Events include snack food, games, costume contest, haunted crawl. Punch available for children. Jello Shots for the big ghouls. \$5/adults. 503-897-3100

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Gates *from page 1*

Next steps, Rahm said in an email exchange with *The Canyon Weekly*, would be to advertise for candidates and, ultimately, a council appointment of a new mayor.

Rahm also said that he wishes Gander would reconsider his decision to resign, with the council president adding that he would not seek the position himself.

Gander was the subject of a recall petition by Gates resident Mark Barnes filed Aug. 22. The petition accuses Gander of harassing a city employee, ill treatment of those speaking at council sessions and intimidation of and discriminating against “a specific local business.”

Gander expressed concern that he received word of the petition from city recorder Traci Archer on Oct. 5, 43 days after it was submitted, and also responded to the charges in a 15-page document that he provided

to *The Canyon Weekly* in which he referred to the claims in the petition as “outlandish.”

Archer was the employee referenced in the petition drive.

In his response to the charges Gander strongly criticized Archer's work performance, including accusations that she showed favoritism toward a councilor, Tonya Chamberlain, on a water bill issue.

When contacted for a response by email by *The Canyon Weekly*, Archer wrote back, “Yes, I would like to respond, but not at this time.”

Gander's response letter also challenges the petition claims on the local business, the Camp Benadoo RV Park on Highway 22. Petitioner Barnes is a resident of Camp Benadoo. Key issues in the dispute are whether the RV park has exceeded its permitted 17 units and whether its septic systems are in compliance.

economic damages, the amount PacifiCorp claims it should not have to pay due to the insurer settlement.

PacifiCorp argued that allowing fire survivors to calculate interest on yet-to-be-paid damages would amount to additional punitive damages, as the defendant would essentially be penalized for non-payment. PacifiCorp attorney Brad Daniels claimed, as punitive damages of 25 percent were already imposed by the jury, this would be double-dipping, which he said is prohibited under state law.

Plaintiff attorney Cody Berne said these arguments came out of the blue and were not in PacifiCorp's previous court filings. He said plaintiffs requested post-judgement interest at the outset of the lawsuit so

Gander wrote that Camp Benadoo has 30 units, 13 above the maximum and that the city first received word that Camp Benadoo was over the limit from Marion County building officials.

Gander also said that three of the four septic fields are in failure or were illegally installed over an earlier drain field. In the documents forwarded, Gander included a report from Eco Septic Services on the Camp Benadoo septic system.

Gander's ascension to the mayoral position came after former mayor Ron Carmickle, running unopposed for a second two-year term, passed away after the ballots already had been printed.

Gander was the top write-in vote-getter, easily besting Carmickle and more than a dozen other candidates who received votes. Gander also was on the ballot to retain his council seat and was elected there as well.

this was not new, and accused PacifiCorp of stalling to delay the calculation of interest.

At the end of the hearing, Alexander said he would take these matters under advisement and issue rulings at a future date. He asked both parties to resubmit written filings reflecting their most current arguments. As of press time, Alexander had yet to issue new rulings.

A separate hearing is scheduled for Nov. 9 to determine if the jury's decision should be set aside and a mistrial declared. PacifiCorp argues the jury did not follow state law or listen to the evidence in finding the company liable, and that witness testimony about fire deaths may have created undue prejudice.

Laura Harris, office administrator/lieutenant with the district added that “almost half of our total call volume for the entire year is during the summer months due to higher fire dangers and the increased amount of tourists and traffic on Highway 22. Having paid staff at the station reduces our response times, and also makes it possible for our volunteers and staff to respond to multiple incidents at once.”


The Nov. 7 election, like all in Oregon, will be conducted via mail-in ballots. County officials were scheduled to begin mailing out ballots on Wednesday, Oct. 18. Ballots must be returned to a Marion or Linn

drop site by 8 p.m. on Nov. 7 or postmarked by Nov. 7 and received no later than Nov. 14.

The lone drop site in the Santiam Canyon is at the City Hall in Mill City, 444 S First Ave. Other drop sites are at the Linn County Courthouse in Albany and the Marion County Courthouse in Salem. For the full list of Marion drop sites go to <https://www.co.marion.or.us/CO/elections>. For Linn County go to <https://www.linncountyor.gov/clerk/page/voter-information>.

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Linn County Sheriff’s Office Log: Oct. 8 – 16

OCT. 8
TRAFFIC STOP, 12:53 a.m., SW Linn Blvd./SW 10th Avenue, Mill City. Driver warned.
SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE, 8:53 a.m., N McCully Mountain Road, Lyons. Truck out of gas.
SHOTS HEARD, 10:21 a.m., Franklin Butte Road, Scio. Report of shooting in an unsafe direction. Deputy contacted shooter and verified all was safe.
LITTERING VIOLATION, 1:57 p.m., Hess Road, Scio. Trash dumped on park property. Park staff will clean up when time allows. Follow up will be done to see if any leads exist.
MENTAL HEALTH, 3:05 p.m., Gilkey Road, Scio. Male with mental health issues calling from the Portland area. Male did not answer on call back.
SUSPICIOUS PERSON, 5:08 p.m., Fish Hatchery Drive/Richardson Gap Road, Scio. Vehicle and operator were pulled over for mechanical issues.
DUII, 5:18 p.m., Gilkey and Kelly roads, Scio.
TRAFFIC STOP, 6:45 p.m., Kingwood Avenue/SW Ivy Street, Mill City. Driver cited for driving uninsured and operating a vehicle without driving privileges.
TRESPASS, 8:01 p.m., Kingwood Avenue, Gates. Caller reported a female trespassing on her property and leaving notes on her door. Ongoing investigation.
SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCE, 8:32 p.m., Kingwood Avenue, Gates. Caller reported a shop door and light left on that should not be. Deputies checked the property and nothing suspicious was observed.
TRAFFIC STOP, 8:53 p.m., Gates School Road/SE Riverview Street, Gates. Driver warned for lighting violation.

OCT. 9
WELFARE CHECK, 8:37 a.m., SE Ash Street, Scio. Female was alive and stated she was well.
EXTRA PATROL, 9:09 a.m., NW Beech Street, Scio. Deputies spoke with middle school staff.
EXTRA PATROL, 9:20 a.m., NW First Avenue, Scio. Deputies spoke with elementary school staff.

OCT. 10
FOREST TIMBER PATROL, 3:09 p.m., Larwood Drive, Scio. Claim had an excavator into the level area and spread hay erosion.
ANIMAL COMPLAINT, 6:27 p.m., Kingston-Jordan Road, Scio. Cow in road was guided back to field by caller.
MISSING PERSON, 8:29 p.m., Lulay Road, Scio. Mountain patrol responded to report of overdue hunter who became lost after getting separated from his grandson. Deputy was able to locate hunter in the forest approximately 300 meters from his vehicle. Male was uninjured but needed assis-

tance getting back to his vehicle.
WEAPON OFFENSE, 10:48 p.m., Zurfluh Road, Scio. While assisting above hunter, deputy discovered a hunter’s rifle that had been reported stolen out of Tennessee in 1991. The hunter stated he had never been to Tennessee and bought the rifle locally more than 20 years ago. Ongoing investigation.
WELFARE CHECK, 11:56 p.m., Greenway Drive, Gates. Deputy responded.

OCT. 11
ANIMAL COMPLAINT, 7:45 a.m., Rainbow Drive, Scio. Injured fawn on private property. It was not in distress and was able to walk, run, eat.
WELFARE CHECK, 12:10 p.m., Providence Drive, Scio. Caller checking on male who no longer lives in the area.
FRAUD, 3:57 p.m., Richardson Gap Road, Scio. Caller had an unauthorized Verizon account opened in her name. Suspects charged \$410.95 using her ID.
FOOT PATROL, 6:01 p.m., SW Evergreen Street, Mill City. Deputy conducted foot patrol during Santiam sporting event.
TRAFFIC STOP, 6:43 p.m., Lyons-Mill City Drive/Cedar Mill Road, Lyons. Driver warned for equipment violation.
PARK PATROL, 8:09 p.m., SE Fairview Street, Mill City. Kimmel Park.
OUT WITH A VEHICLE, 8:25 p.m., NW Santiam Blvd., Mill City. Deputy assisted vehicle with lighting malfunction.
TRAFFIC STOP, 8:51 p.m., N First Avenue/NE Wall Street, Mill City. Driver warned for moving violation.
TRAFFIC STOP, 9:31 p.m., Mowitch Street/Lyons-Mill City Drive, Lyons. Male, 27, of Agnola, Indiana, was arrested for DUII, reckless driving, reckless endangering, contempt of court and a warrant after nearly hitting a deputy’s patrol vehicle. He was also cited for failure to maintain lane, driving uninsured, refusing a BAC test and operating a vehicle without driving privileges. He was lodged at Linn County Jail.

OCT. 12
ASSIST OTHER AGENCY, 1:44 p.m., SE Ash Street, Scio. Assisted County Code Enforcement.
NARCOTICS OFFENSE, 3:33 p.m., SW Cedar Street, Mill City. Deputies investigated criminal incident.
TRAFFIC STOP, 6:59 p.m., N First Avenue/NW Alder Street, Mill City. Driver warned for moving violation.
ELUDE, 7:09 p.m., SW Parkside Drive, Mill City. Deputy attempted to stop a motorcycle. Motorcycle did not stop and took off rapidly. Per policy, deputy did not pursue.
EXTRA PATROL, 8:03 p.m., Mad Creek Road/E Gates Bridge, Gates.
PARK PATROL, 10:31 p.m., SE

Fairview Street, Mill City. Kimmel Park.
TRAFFIC STOP, 11:02 p.m., N First Avenue, Mill City. Driver warned for moving violation.
TRAFFIC STOP, 11:13 p.m., S First Avenue/SW Cedar Street, Mill City. Driver warned for speed.

OCT. 13
DISTURBANCE, 12:23 a.m., Highway 226/N Main Street, Scio. Deputies responded to possible altercation between two males. Deputies were unable to locate.
WARRANT, 5:22 a.m., S First Avenue, Mill City. Female, 20, of Lyons was cited in lieu of custody for an outstanding warrant.
FOREST TIMBER PATROL, 7:06 a.m., Rock Creek Road, Gates.
MENTAL HEALTH, 7:52 a.m., Ridge Drive, Scio. Ongoing mental health issue.
CITY ORDINANCE VIOLATION, 9:16 a.m., SE Juniper Street, Mill City. Deputy delivered court summons for municipal violations.
CITY ORDINANCE VIOLATION, 9:54 a.m., NE Alder Street, Mill City.

OCT. 14
NEIGHBORHOOD DISPUTE, 8:42 a.m., SE Cedar Avenue, Gates. Deputy spoke with caller about threatening comments made by their neighbor.
CIVIL DISPUTE, 12:48 p.m., Hecht Drive, Scio. Deputy spoke with a citizen about a civil dispute over property.
MOTORIST ASSIST, 2:50 p.m., Highway 226, Scio. Vehicle blocking a portion of road. People were watching elk in a nearby field. Requested to do this out of the roadway.
TRAFFIC STOP, 2:57 p.m., Highway 226/McCully Mountain Road, Lyons. Driver warned for speed.
NOISE DISTURBANCE, 11:37 p.m., NE Alder Street/NE Third Avenue, Mill City. Deputy drove by

the residence and all was quiet.
SUSPICIOUS PERSON, 11:44 p.m., SW Cedar Street, Mill City. Deputies located vehicle and nothing was disturbed. Checked area for suspect but did not locate anyone.

OCT. 15
ACCIDENT, 12:50 a.m., NW Alder Street, Mill City. Deputies responded to the report of a crash and discovered property damage. The involved vehicle had already left the area.
EXTRA PATROL, 11:47 a.m., SE Fairview Street, Mill City.
FOOT PATROL, 12:10 p.m., N First Avenue, Mill City. Foot patrol under Mill City Bridge.
WARRANT, 12:29 p.m., SW 11th Avenue, Mill City. Male, 47, of Mill City cited in lieu of custody for his Mill City Municipal court warrant.
TRAFFIC STOP, 2:09 p.m., Richardson Gap Road, Scio. Warned for failure to renew registration.
SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE, 2:12 p.m., Gilkey Road, Scio. Caller reported suspicious vehicle at neighbor’s property. Vehicle was the property owner’s.

OCT. 16
JUVENILE COMPLAINT, 7:36 a.m., Jordan Road, Scio. Deputies responded to Lourdes School regarding concerning behavior of a student.
IDENTITY THEFT, 10:13 a.m., Shelburn Drive, Scio. Suspect opened a checking account and acquired a credit card in the victim’s name. No charges were made at the time. Victim is disputing the activity with the bank.
WELFARE CHECK, 11:17 a.m., Stayton-Scio Road, Scio. Person was doing well.
IDENTITY THEFT, 2:38 p.m., Shelburn Drive, Scio. Deputies investigated a potential identity theft.
WARRANT, 2:58 p.m., S First Avenue, Mill City. Male, 38, of Mill City was arrested on an outstanding warrant and lodged at Linn County Jail.

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