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## CONTROVERSY FOLLOWS KELLY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL PLACED ON LEAVE

Marti Diaz, school teachers point fingers at each other

By SHASTA KEARNS MOORE  
The Tribune

Fingers are pointing every which way in a controversy surrounding Marti Diaz, a Kelly Elementary School principal who was placed on leave Oct. 30.

Diaz last week filed a Bureau of Labor and Industries complaint against Portland Public Schools, alleging the district's treatment of her over the past 10 months has been clouded by racial discrimination and retaliation for whistleblowing on the off-work activities of other school principals.

Once a darling of Portland Public Schools Superintendent Carole Smith, Diaz had been touted as an example of diversity in the administration. But the tone changed after an Oct. 11 camping trip at Milo McIver State Park at which Diaz says she and several other local principals were drinking heavily.

"I have been honest since the beginning," writes Diaz in an email to the Portland Tribune. "Yes, adult women in their 50s were drinking. Two PPS students showed up and I left. They continued to drink. My partner and I argued about this. I never hit my partner."

Diaz's partner, Penny Domm, declined to pursue domestic violence charges after the other principals at the camping trip filed a police report Oct. 22. Diaz was arrested, but an assessment by the Clackamas County district attorney's of-

fice says there was insufficient evidence to prosecute Diaz.

"In the end, while I believe that something wrong happened in that trailer, I simply do not believe we could prove a crime beyond a reasonable doubt," reads the dismissal notice.

The district attorney's office memo to the Portland Police Bureau also states that Domm says "this was a situation of mutual combat and that she was 'giving as good as she was getting.'"

### A hard approach

In Diaz's BOLI complaint, she says that after being placed on leave for the alleged domestic violence, she was then subjected to questions about unrelated subjects and ties this to her report of administrators drinking in front of PPS students.



**"Not unexpectedly, a significant number of teachers were not happy. I was challenging them to abandon old ways ... to do the hard work required to turn around a failing school."**

— Marti Diaz, in her BOLI complaint

"After I brought up the misconduct of district administrators, the district refused to allow me to return to work," she writes. "Instead, over the course of nine months or more, the district started soliciting and digging up more and more allegations against me in an effort to compile sufficient cause to terminate my contract of employment."

The additional claims against Diaz may refer to the climate that many say she engendered at Kelly School in the Lents neighborhood.

A low-income school with signs in six different languages throughout the building, Kelly School first saw Diaz take the reins in January 2013. Diaz

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## Overturning clean fuels bill won't be easy task, poll finds

Efforts by oil firms, GOP allies unlikely to sway voters at polls

By STEVE LAW  
The Tribune

A new poll for Renew Oregon showed that oil companies and their Republican allies will have an uphill battle convincing Oregon voters to overturn the recently passed Clean Fuel Standards bill

passed by the Legislature and signed into law by Gov. Kate Brown.

The measure requires a 10 percent drop in carbon emissions from motor vehicle fuel sold in Oregon over the next decade, which is designed to create new markets and incentives to offer alternatives to gasoline and diesel fuel.

Renew Oregon, a new political committee formed to work on ballot measures addressing climate change, commissioned California pollster Fairbank, Maslin, Maullin, Metz & Associates, also known as FM3.

When voters were read the ballot wording from the three prospective November 2016 ballot measures filed on behalf of the oil industry, 48 to 52 percent said they're inclined to vote no, and 20 to 36 percent said they're inclined to vote yes. One of the measures would simply overturn the Clean Fuel Standard while the other two would weaken it.

"This poll makes it clear that Oregonians value the cleaner air and diverse fuel choices

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## CITY LAUNCHES WAR ON WEEDS AT FOREST PARK

Concerns raised after glyphosate labeled a probable carcinogen

By STEVE LAW  
The Tribune

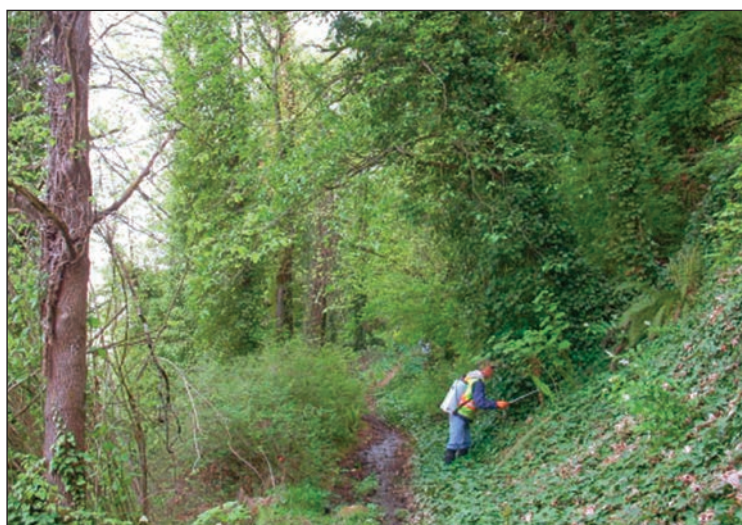
For two decades, a slew of volunteers and professionals have hacked away at English ivy, blackberries and other invasive plants engulfing Forest Park, the crown jewel of Portland's park system.

But at best they've been "holding the line," says Kendra Petersen-Morgan, a natural resource ecologist for Portland Parks & Recreation, as ivy continues choking trees and invasives push out native plants and diminish wildlife habitat.

"The problem is we are losing native species diversity," Petersen-Morgan says. "Left untouched, it's going to spread and infect the rest of the park."

Now the city is embarking on its most ambitious plan of attack yet, a multiyear effort called Restore Forest Park that aims to eliminate invasives entirely from Portland's iconic park, one area at a time.

Starting in mid-August, crews will dig into 155 acres near Balch Creek, on the southern side of Forest Park, funded by a \$100,000



COURTESY: PORTLAND PARKS AND RECREATION

A Portland parks contractor sprays herbicides on a steep, daunting slope where hand-removal of weeds isn't safe or practical.

Nature in Neighborhoods grant from Metro. Next spring, a second phase will commence on 170 acres on the north side of Forest Park.

The parks bureau, in cooperation with the Forest Park Conservancy, Metro and others, is making Restore Forest Park an early step in a grander campaign called Renew Forest Park, which is projected to take 20 years and cost of at least \$20 million. That campaign envisions ecological restoration of the 5,200-acre park as

well as a new official park entrance, nature center, wheelchair-accessible trail and viewing platform. The nature center parking lot will accommodate school buses, expanding the use of Forest Park for field trips. The Oregon Legislature recently granted \$1.5 million for design and other preliminary work.

While actual construction is not yet scheduled — or funded — ecological restoration is starting

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Invasive ivy grows along a hiking path in Portland's Upper Macleay Park. Invasives have taken over large swaths of Forest Park and other city parks. TRIBUNE PHOTOS: JONATHAN HOUSE

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Morning glory covers native flora at Lower Macleay Park.

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# Weeds: Herbicides used on steep, sensitive terrain

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now with the work on invasives. Forest Park's southern and eastern sides are swamped with English ivy, holly, laurel, clematis and non-native blackberries, Petersen-Morgan says. "I call them ecologically damaging weeds."

Not surprisingly, the most infected areas are those that border urbanized areas, the usual entry point for invasives.

Forest Park isn't the only city park riddled by invasives; Mount Tabor Park and others also have been ravaged. But the parks bureau's three full-time staff working on invasives spend more than half their time at Forest Park, focusing on the healthiest sections first, Petersen-Morgan says.

## Tried and true methods

The city will use the same techniques as in the past. Crews will dig out invasives by hand in easily accessible areas near hiking trails. On steep or sensitive terrain, state-licensed professionals carrying backpack tanks will use wands to spray herbicides directly on offending plants. They'll spray a mix of glyphosate and triclopyr. Glyphosate is the main active ingredient in Roundup; triclopyr is an ingredient in Crossbow, two widely available commercial herbicides.

"These have been selected because they are biodegradable, they have low toxicity and they do not bioaccumulate or persist," Petersen-Morgan says.

"There's nothing new," says John Reed, who coordinates the Integrated Pest Management Program for Portland Parks & Recreation. "The only new thing here is we finally have money set aside in the budget to tackle these things."

Other organizations that manage natural areas, including Metro, The Nature Conservancy and The Audubon Society, use the same herbicides, Reed says.

Parks officials say the herbicides are more practical than trying to dig out weeds by hand throughout Forest Park, and are the safest available chemical mix that will do the trick.

But there is one new wrinkle in the use of glyphosate, the world's most widely used herbicide.

## New findings

In March, the International Agency for Research on Cancer, a research arm of the World Health Organization, labeled glyphosate "probably carcinogenic" to humans.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has launched



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A volunteer for Portland Parks and Recreation deploys hand removal of invasive species, which is used on flatter, accessible areas close to trails.

its own new study of glyphosate; results are expected soon.

"It certainly does raise the level of concern about using products like this, especially in public spaces," says Lisa Arkin, executive director of Beyond Toxics, an advocacy group based in Eugene.

Scientific findings on chemicals evolve, Arkin notes, but historically they shift in only one direction — raising new concerns about their safety, rather than the other way around.

Jeremy Olsen, assistant director of the Eugene-based Northwest Center for Alternatives to Pesticides, concurs that glyphosate and triclopyr are commonly used by natural resource agencies and have proven to be effective. "We don't see it as a black and white issue," he says.

They are totally different from another class of pesti-

cides, neonicotinoids, Olsen says, which have been traced to several mass bee deaths in the Portland area.

The Northwest Center for Alternatives to Pesticides would prefer that the city use manual methods to remove invasives, but understands that may not be feasible at a huge property like Forest Park, says Sharon Selvaggio, the organization's healthy wildlife and water program director, based in Portland.

Only 25 percent of glyphosate is left in the soil after 20 days, she says, and 25 percent of triclopyr is left after 54 days.

The main danger to humans appears to be for farmers and herbicide applicators who use it regularly, and are more likely to get non-Hodgkins lymphoma, a form of cancer, Selvaggio says.

But there's been very little research on combinations of chemicals, Olsen says.

## New take on invasives

Tao Orion, a Cottage Grove expert in permaculture, opposes the use of herbicides on public lands, and thinks they should be managed much like organic farms. In addition to the link with non-Hodgkins lymphoma, Orion argues that glyphosate alters the mineral composition of soil, and has been shown to lead to more botulism, tetanus and salmonella in cows and chickens.

Orion, who wrote the new book "Beyond the War on Invasive Species," takes issue with public lands managers who think they can go back to some prior period when only "native plants" flourished.

"I would argue there's no going back," she says, and that public land managers need to accept that natural areas evolve.

Reed says the International Agency for Research on Can-

cer findings were based on old science, and didn't cause him to change his opinion on glyphosate and triclopyr. Since that report came out, he says, the European Union completed a four-year look at glyphosate. "They did not find evidence of carcinogenicity," he says.

No pesticides are totally safe, but glyphosate has a "low, low, low toxic profile for humans and implications for wildlife," says Dave Stone, a pesticide toxicologist at Oregon State University and director of the National Pesticide Information Center, funded by the EPA.

The International Agency for Research on Cancer evaluates chemicals for their hazardous properties, not based on the actual risk of using them, Stone says.

Stone, who lives in Sellwood, says what the Parks Bureau plans to do in Forest

Park is relatively safe, because the application there is "very far removed from occupational exposures" that cause the most concerns. Glyphosate doesn't cross into human skin or the lungs, he says. The main way humans get exposed is if they eat something with the residue left on the leaves.

The Parks Bureau will keep people out of areas being sprayed until it's safe, says Reed, who notes that Portland Parks & Recreation is the nation's only parks system certified as Salmon-Safe.

"We're leaving ourselves a wide margin of safety," Reed says. Besides, he adds, there's no question that it's the invasives causing massive environmental degradation at Forest Park.

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# Food concerns spur David Douglas lawsuit

Three say head cook's erratic behavior could be student health risk

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The Tribune

An ailing head cook has led to a whistleblower lawsuit against David Douglas School District, according to documents filed Wednesday, Aug. 12, in Multnomah County Circuit Court.

The suit brings up concerns of food safety at David Douglas High School, where approximately 3,000 kids attend school.

Two food service workers and a special education assistant filed the suit against the small east Portland school district alleging that officials did nothing when they brought up concerns about head cook Kim Fragall's increasingly erratic behavior, which they linked to her worsening health. The workers — second cook Deborah Rowley, cook's helper Julie Passantino-Symonds and Special Education Instructional Assistant Trisha Williams — further allege that Fragall retaliated against them for bringing up their concerns with management. When they told administrators, including Superintendent Don Grotting, of the retaliation "there was no further response from DDSD," reads the complaint. The plaintiffs, represented

by Portland attorney Mark Morrell, are asking the court for \$250,000 each in noneconomic damages, plus attorney's fees.

The plaintiffs say the retaliation started after an April 2012 meeting of kitchen staff in which they told district nutritionist Jody Taylor and an unidentified union representative about their concerns over Fragall's worsening condition and its effects on food safety.

They say the head cook frequently complained of pain, would take long breaks, and would not work full days "obviously exhausted and in pain," the suit reads. The complaint alleges Fragall's mental state was such that she would forget how long food had been cooking and at what temperature; forget to order ingredients; fail to notice health and sanitation violations in food preparation and storage; and make uncharacteristically demeaning comments to staff.

The issues appear to have come to a head for the plaintiffs during the spring when "rumors were" that they would be permanently reassigned to north kitchen from their post at south kitchen.

Finally, the lawsuit claims that staff "have noticed a marked reduction in the number of students eating at the cafeteria. Many students have simply refused to eat the food served at south."

A David Douglas spokesman did not immediately return a request for comment on the allegations.



Plaintiffs in a Multnomah County Circuit Court complaint say kids aren't eating cafeteria food as much and link it to issues with head cook Kim Fragall. TRIBUNE FILE PHOTO

## Diaz: Teachers, parents also have complaints

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admits she took a hard approach to revolutionizing the culture, particularly how English classes were taught to Latino and other minority students.

"Not unexpectedly, a significant number of teachers were not happy," Diaz writes in her BOLI complaint; "I was challenging them to abandon old ways, to invest in new techniques, to devote new time and energy into their jobs and to do the hard work required to turn around a failing school."

A BOLI complaint by ESL teaching assistant Peter Yakubovich, filed Sept. 2, 2014, alleged that Diaz was aggressive and demeaning toward him when he had to miss work for medical appointments related to his disability.

"Ms. Diaz continually harassed me by yelling at me anytime I had to call in sick or had a family emergency," Yakubovich wrote. "Young women in the same position as me were not subjected to the same harassment."

BOLI, however, dismissed Yakubovich's claims for lack of evidence.

Gwen Sullivan, a Portland Association of Teachers union president, says an anonymous teacher climate survey found 89 percent of staff disagreed or strongly disagreed with the statement "principal has a good rapport with staff."

### No decision yet

District spokeswoman Christine Miles cites legal prohibi-

tions against discussing the personnel issues of district employees and reiterates that Diaz is on paid administrative leave pending an investigation.

"We don't discuss employment matters," Miles says. "We just don't."

Portland employment lawyer and outspoken PPS critic Kim Sordyl argues Diaz's BOLI complaint is to be expected after a 10-month process that has yet to bear a final decision on Diaz's employment status.

"In my opinion, the PPS HR (human resources) director and HR lawyer botched this by dragging it out, and failing to make a decision within a reasonable amount of time," Sordyl writes in an email. "The PPS HR team has made Diaz a whistleblower."

Sordyl says she has talked to several parents and teachers who feel that PPS ignored complaints about Diaz as a principal until the October camping trip.

Former Kelly School parent Erin Clement says she had numerous issues with the principal during the 2013-14 school year. So much so that she moved her three children to Washington.

"It was living hell," Clement says, describing bullying her children received. When she brought up the concerns with Diaz, Clement says she aggressively dismissed her concerns and retaliated against her children. "When I heard she was arrested (for domestic violence), I was not surprised at all."

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## Fuels: Most polled inclined to vote no

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this program affords them," said Thomas Wheatley, campaign director for Renew Oregon.

There are precedents in Oregon for corporations with deep pockets to shift initial voter sentiments about ballot measures. Tobacco companies did that on a cigarette tax measure that started with broad support, and food manufacturers and biotech companies accomplished the same with last year's measure to require labeling of genetically modified organisms.

In both those cases, corporate-funded campaigns used a barrage of ads to raise questions about the measures, causing many supporters to change

their minds. However, FM3 pollsters note that it's been historically harder to turn no votes into yes votes on Oregon ballot measures.

Pollsters found stronger feelings among those opposed to the efforts to weaken or kill the Clean Fuels Standards than among those who support such efforts. They also found a large number of voters were confused by the ballot titles, which usually results in many no votes.

The pollsters interviewed 1,202 likely voters from July 25 to July 30. Their poll has a margin of error of 2.8 percent, meaning the results could be off by that amount, up or down.

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# Does Bernie need an opening act?

Keeping Portland Weird ... People are still talking about last week's huge turnout for Democratic presidential candidate Bernie Sanders. Officials put the crowd at close to 30,000 maniacal fans. Let's remember, 80,000 turned out for Obama in 2008. But then again, The Decemberists were there too. Maybe Bernie needs an opening act?



## Mark & Dave UP IN THE AIR

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Survey says ... What runners think about when they run: If you said, "How much they hate running," you get a kiss from the host. Ever wonder what drivers think about when they're driving? We're guessing it's how much they hate bikes.

Should airlines start weighing passengers to determine fares? One overseas airline is weighing passengers and their carry-on bags for "safety" reasons, and industry insiders are speculating that heftier fliers may soon start paying an additional fee. We're not sure about weighing people, but we do support a pre-flight "grooming and smell test." We know you would, too.

Pitchfork radio pitchman Glenn Beck named Portland the No. 1 city in America to "avoid like the plague." Everyone knows if there's a plague to avoid, it's California during a water shortage. Of course this is the same Glenn Beck who told us to buy gold when it was around \$2,000 an ounce — protect yourself, he said, protect yourself. God help us.

Finally, North Korea's vice premier was reportedly executed by firing squad for disagreeing with the supreme leader, Kim Jong-Un. Just a sneak preview of what a Trump administration might look like.

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What can Uber do that you can't? Turns out they get what they want from City Hall. Our gallant reporter at the Trib, Steve Law, is following the cozy relationship Uber and Lyft appear to have with Charlie Hales and Steve Novick, a relationship the real cab companies covet. If true, here's a thought: Maybe Uber and Lyft could complain about the potholes for us and the mayor will finally fix them.

The city council is talking about the Memorial Coliseum's future ... again. This time there's talk of cutting trees to once again showcase its architecture along with bringing back the old lighting to make the grand dame shine again. Aren't we just putting lipstick on a pig? The Coliseum has run its course. Cutting trees and changing lights will do as much good as an 85-year-old getting a facelift. It may look a little fresher, but the seats still sag.

If you're like us, you've lost track of all the developments in the Newberg city manager/police chief scandal. How can you keep up with all the back-biting, illicit relationships, lying, cover-ups, you name it. We hope the folks at HBO are taking notes, because this could be the plot to save next season's True Detective.

Vancouver's new waterfront project is closer to reality. The "Dock Restoration" along the Columbia will be home to residential units and shops. The bad news? It's still in Vancouver. The good news? It faces

# State rules on selling tax credits applied inconsistently

Auditors find price standards for energy tax breaks not enforced

By HILLARY BORRUD  
Capital Bureau

State regulators allowed some sellers of Oregon energy tax credits to offer buyers deep discounts while forcing others to follow strict state pricing rules.

A Capital Bureau investigation revealed that those not following the rules were able to more easily sell their credits, and their buyers realized greater value for their investment, while those following the rules were at a competitive disadvantage.

The state offers the tax credits to government and private organizations to help offset the cost of efficiency and renewable energy projects. Recipients can use the credits to reduce their taxes, or sell them to raise capital.

Oregon lawmakers have tried repeatedly to rein in the costly incentives, with bills to reduce the cost of the program and control the price at which the credits could be sold to investors.

But a group of tax credit recipients and brokers set out to find ways to circumvent them.

### Conflicting advice

They had help from staff at the Oregon Department of Energy, where employees gave out conflicting advice over the years. Some employees told energy project owners they had to follow state price guidelines required by statute. At the same time, another employee told project owners they could ignore that section of state law.

The Department of Energy also stopped verifying how much corporations and wealthy individuals paid to purchase the tax credits, despite evidence that brokers and project owners were looking for loopholes in state pricing regulations.

In one case, this resulted in the Portland metropolitan area



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In June 2014, Blue Tree Strategies pitched a deal to TriMet, which had \$3.6 million in energy tax credits. Instead of sending the rebates directly to the buyers, Blue Tree Strategies proposed that TriMet hide the payments in the broker's commission.

transit agency TriMet selling tax credits with a face value of \$3.6 million for \$2.7 million, or 75 cents on the dollar instead of the 98 cents required under the rules. The deeper the discount, the less money went to the renewable energy and efficiency projects the tax incentives were supposed to reward.

Business energy tax credits issued between 2006 and 2014 could cost the state up to \$968.1 million in tax revenue, including \$703.6 million from tax credits that were sold by recipients to investors, according to an analysis of Department of Energy data.

The EO Media Group/Pamplin Media Group Capital Bureau first reported in June that the Oregon Department of Energy quietly stopped enforcing pricing and other rules on the state tax credits. When people questioned the policy, the Department of Energy responded with a temporary rule change to retroactively eliminate price rules going back to mid-2012.

The temporary rule change, which the department plans to make permanent, would reward people who sold tax credits at deeper discounts than allowed under state rules. It would not help people such as Mel Rumwell, who was told by a state employee that he had to

follow the rules. Rumwell is president of the Rock Creek Community Association, which qualified for a business energy tax credit by installing an energy-efficient roof.

"We were told by the state that we could not discount it," Rumwell said of the tax credit. Rumwell said the association has no use for the credit because it does not owe taxes to the state, and its window to sell the tax credit closed in December.

Energy officials have said they had authority to make a business decision not to enforce the rules, but the policy appears to contradict the intent of the Oregon Legislature which wanted to set prices to ensure the tax incentives would benefit energy projects.

### Rules and loopholes

The Department of Energy historically controlled tax credit prices directly, through what was known as the pass-through program. The agency helped match buyers and sellers, set rates at which the credits could be sold, and handled the payments.

When people started to negotiate private deals outside the pass-through program, the Legislature stepped in with a 2009 law that required the De-

partment of Energy to develop "a formula to be employed in the determination of prices of (tax) credits" in those sales. Lawmakers reiterated the mandate in a 2011 law.

However, some energy project owners and tax credit brokers found a different section of state law they interpreted as allowing the sale of tax credits at any price negotiated by the buyers and sellers. Anthony Buckley, the Oregon Department of Energy's chief financial officer, agreed and since at least fall 2014, the agency allowed the private sales at negotiated prices under that same section of Oregon law. It simply states one-time transfers of tax credits are allowed, unless expressly prohibited by other laws.

Jody Wiser is chair of Tax Fairness Oregon, a group that advocates for a progressive tax code and full enforcement of state tax laws. Wiser said the conflicting advice from Department of Energy employees was a sign the agency lacked leadership.

"Some of them believe in following the law, and some of them don't believe in following the law," Wiser said. "And nobody's telling them, 'This is the law.'"

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Infill before sprawl, says Metro Chief Operating Officer Martha Bennett. Relaxing the urban growth boundary will better provide the type of housing residents want, says Home Builders president Nate Bond.

## TWO VIEWS

# Make most of land within boundary

## MYVIEW

By Martha Bennett

Local farms and forests. Clear air. Clean water. More time with friends and family and less sprawl. These things are easy to take for granted but they aren't an accident.

The Portland metropolitan area is special because of the hard work and careful planning done by generations of Oregonians who came before us. They knew decades ago a growing population in Oregon was as inevitable as rain.

That's why Oregonians created urban growth boundaries and made the decision to make the most of our existing towns, cities and main streets before allowing growth to expand to the farms, forests and nature that make Oregon unique.

It's also why I recommend that the Metro Council maintain our current urban growth boundary for the next several years.

Signs of the new people and new jobs our predecessors knew were coming are everywhere today. Cranes rise in Portland, Hillsboro, Gresham, Beaverton and other cities. Bulldozers move earth for new neighborhoods, offices and shopping centers.

We're making the most of our parents' and grandparents' investments in roads, bridges, parks, sewers, water pipes and other public structures and systems that support our quality of life and economy. Just as important, agriculture remains a key part of our economy and landscape.

In short, our community's plan is working. Even though we're growing again after the recession, we don't need to convert farms to city. We still have many vacant lots and dilapidated and underused buildings. And, there are thousands of acres we added to the urban growth boundary in the past that remain vacant due to a lack of money to build the roads, sewers and other systems required to support development.

So before we pave over more local farms and forests, we should recommit to the Oregon tradition of making the most of what we have.

Just like our predecessors, we know tomorrow will look different than today. Given the economic and demographic changes happening across the nation, we know many more people will live alone or with just one other person. We know the cost of housing is a concern for young and old alike. And we know demand will continue to grow for neighborhoods where people can walk, bike or use transit to get where they need to go.

We're also concerned about changes in the job market. Since the recession ended, we've been adding low-wage and high-wage jobs, but losing middle-income opportunities. We know there are other things happening in the world — like water shortages in California — that may affect how fast we grow, too.

That's why I also recommend the Metro Council look at the urban growth boundary again in three years. We need to make sure we're still on the right track given all the changes we face as a community.

We have a history of working together in the Portland region to manage growth and protect the things we love. Let's continue that tradition by focusing first on making the most of the communities we have.

Let's make the most of vacant and underused land to build housing where people want to live at prices they can afford. Let's use our existing vacant industrial land to create good jobs. Let's take care of our roads and our transit system to help people spend less time in traffic. And, in the Oregon tradition, let's conserve our farms and forests.

The Oregonians of the past made some great decisions. Now it's our turn to ensure future generations have the same or better opportunities than we have.

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BENNETT

# Homeownership not in Metro plan

## MYVIEW

By Nate Bond

Skyrocketing home and rental prices, a lack of affordable options for middle-class families, increased congestion and strain on roads and highways — this is life in San Francisco and Seattle. Sadly, the Portland region may soon follow as a result of the upcoming Urban Growth Management Decision by Metro.

The Metro Council, our regional planning government, soon will consider a series of recommendations that would maintain the existing urban growth boundary and serve to worsen these problems for our region. Moreover, the recommendations fly counter to what we value as individuals and diminish the hopes of those who want to someday own a home for their families.

Residents of the region should have major concerns with the recommendations before Metro, to include:

- The unprecedented projected shift in housing mix to apartments and condos;
- The assumption of lower personal incomes;
- The assumption of low homeownership rates that don't reflect economic recovery and demographic trends; and,
- The combined effects that lower single-family home numbers, increased demand and lack of land supply will have on housing affordability.

These factors likely will create more pressure and pushback within Portland as existing neighborhoods are forced to absorb more growth, thus driving up land values, housing prices and rents. This also will impact traffic and livability to settled neighborhoods, causing significant pressure on our already stressed and aging infrastructure.

More importantly, the recommendations would push many families further from ever owning a home. As a result, much of our work force may be forced to move to the edge of our region, into towns outside of our Metro area to find the housing they want and, ultimately, can afford.

In fact, a Residential Preference Study (conducted by Metro, PSU, City of Portland, Washington and Clackamas Counties, HBA and others) found that 80 percent of respondents would prefer to live in detached, single-family homes — in short, the region's residents will go to where the homes are. Unfortunately, the current recommendations before Metro do not reflect this reality.

Another concern is the shift in the Urban Growth Report modeling. Contrary to past reports, the new approach makes it impossible to expand the boundary as long as there is a hypothetical supply of any kind of housing, anywhere in the region. Again, this ignores the types and locations of housing people want. This is why the model concludes there is no need for any boundary expansion, despite local jurisdictions expressing the need for housing and employment lands in their area.

Respected economists have examined the issue and concluded the report fails to provide for sufficient land availability to meet our region's housing and population projections. Specifically, projected future multifamily residential densities are unprecedented, far exceeding historical experience. Moreover, the fact that so much of UGB residential capacity must be redevelopment, the vast majority within Portland, presents a significant vulnerability to the market reality of estimated regional capacity.

We appreciate the difficult job Metro has in managing our region's land supply and appreciate that important issues have been raised and recommendations made related to how Metro looks at things differently moving forward to manage and balance our region's growth.

We agree it's important to fully understand how the recent recession affected our region's growth, as we work our way out of its impacts; to balance people's needs and preferences in housing and housing affordability with our desire to protect farm and forestland; to allow local jurisdictions, who want growth and have shown the ability to do it well, better ways to achieve their goals; and, ultimately, to become more effective at creating higher-income jobs and economic opportunities for all our residents. These are goals that we all share for our region.

With that said, there are real challenges with how we grow, and current legal and political issues make expansion difficult. We will continue to work closely with Metro and our region's jurisdictions to address these issues to ensure we appropriately manage our region's land supply.

Unfortunately, the recommendations on expansion of the urban growth boundary before Metro Council will force many current and future residents to forget the dream of homeownership, thereby taking us one step closer to the untenable situation faced by our neighbors to the north and south.

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BOND

## READERS' LETTERS

# Forget about climate change, fix the streets

Mayor Charlie Hales is not "leading the charge" on climate change (story Aug. 11). President Obama is.

Hales is, however, using the city charge card for international trips that he hopes will bolster his bid for re-election.

The focus on a big international issue has everything to do with Hales' abdication of responsibility on his most pressing local issue — crumbling streets. Hales and Commissioner Steve Novick already have stated to the media that the funding for street repair won't be coming from their offices but will instead percolate up from "stakeholders."

Climate change takes national action — for instance,

Obama's decision to phase out coal in our nation's power plants. Portland can play a small role, but as the Pembina matter shows, Hales elevates business interests above any environmental concerns unless he is faced with enough angry voters.

And, when it comes to the unglamorous work of filling potholes — a duty which is 100 percent that of the city government — Hales is a quitter.

I guess Fossil Fuel Charlie is taking the advice of his handler, Uber lobbyist Mark Wiener, to shift the focus from our failing roads by discussing big issues that are not part of the mayor's job description.

Pam Quinlan  
Southeast Portland

## How exactly do we end climate change?

Your Aug. 11 front-page piece about the recent trip by our mayor to meet the pope and President Obama was interesting. However, the caption with Hales' picture in it has me puzzled.

It states (in part), "Portland Mayor Charlie Hales signs a declaration calling for action to end climate change ..." etc.

My question is: How do we end climate change? And, why would we want to? Our planet is 4.5 billion years old and one constant (and requirement) seems obvious ... that of climate change. The next question would become, "How in the world is an end to climate change healthy for a planet?" Clearly, if we are to celebrate

diversity of life and evolutionary change we must admit that climate change is a key factor in the vitality of Earth. If we, as humans, actually could stop all climate change it would usher in the collapse of the ecosystems and diversity we study and admire. The wonderful thing we claim to be rescuing, we'd be destroying.

The entire idea is arrogant and preposterous on its surface. How can man, with Hales' help, end climate change? The main source of our energy and climate fluctuation are produced by the sun and its surface activities. Nobody (except maybe Hales) would suggest that man try and control the sun's energy output, and if he did, he'd be laughed off the stage.

This evolution from global warming, climate change, and

now I'm hearing the term "climate resuscitation" creep into some vocabularies, seems somewhat self-serving. We all want a clean planet, it makes me sick to see some jerk toss a cigarette butt. However, it also seems inane to utter something so farfetched as ending climate change. In reality, and given history, if we could end climate change, then humans would be responsible for ending their species.

Hales has difficulty fixing potholes on Portland streets. I think he'd better lower his expectations and profile, for ending climate change and the evolution of the planet are a bit above his pay grade. I believe nature knows better than Charlie.

Jim Speirs  
North Portland

# Credits: Different interpretations of state law

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way it will be in our department.”

Brokers and project owners have for years sought ways around state tax credit price guidelines. In October 2013, Salem-Keizer Transit Finance Manager Jared Isaksen emailed state Energy Incentives Program Manager Maureen Bock to ask if the district could use a side deal to bypass the price guidelines.

The transit district had been awarded energy tax credits worth \$3.7 million, which it could sell under state rules for no less than 97.6 cents on the dollar or a total of nearly \$3.6 million. Isaksen asked Bock if the district could send a rebate of nearly \$876,000 to the buyer of the credits. That would lower the net price of the tax credits to 76 cents on the dollar.

Isaksen said the idea came from certified public accountant Ryan Johnson of AKT CPAs and Business Consultants, which has a contract to broker the sales of Salem-Keizer Transit's tax credits. Johnson said he could not recall

whether he or Isaksen came up with the idea.

Isaksen wrote in October 2013 that Salem-Keizer Transit's previous finance manager had already presented the deal to the Department of Energy and “you gave you're (sic) okay to proceed.”

“The underlying question is can the District discount the credits further to make them more attractive to possible pass-through partners?” Isaksen wrote. “If the answer is no, then why not?”

Bock initially referred the question to Joe Colello, who handled tax credits and other renewable energy and efficiency incentives at the agency. Colello wrote back that Salem-Keizer Transit's proposal was not allowed under state rules.

Isaksen disagreed with Colello's response, which prompted Bock to step in. She referred to the state law that requires the Department of Energy to set tax credit sales prices, and explained how the agency verified that buyers and sellers were following the rules. Then, she addressed the rebate Isaksen proposed.

“We will not issue a legal

opinion on the legality of what you are contemplating nor will we issue tax advice on whether that side transaction might be a taxable transaction for your partner,” Bock wrote. “Whatever side arrangement you are contemplating with a partner is something over which we have no control. I hope that helps.”

Salem-Keizer Transit did not proceed with the deal, and has not sold the tax credits.

## Deal offered to TriMet

In June 2014, a different tax credit broker, Blue Tree Strategies, pitched a similar deal to TriMet, which had \$3.6 million in energy tax credits.

Instead of sending the rebates directly to the buyers, however, Blue Tree Strategies proposed that TriMet hide the payments in the broker's commission. Blue Tree Strategies would then send most of the commission — more than \$770,000 — to the tax credit buyers. This would reduce the net price of the tax credits from 95 to 98 cents on the dollar, as required under state rules, to an average of 75 cents on the dollar, according to Blue Tree Strategies' proposal.

TriMet officials were uncomfortable with the idea, and Blue Tree Strategies' owner Aaron Berg asked Buckley in an Oct. 20, 2014, email if he would field questions from TriMet and other Blue Tree Strategies clients. Berg provided a copy of Buckley's answer to the EO Media Group/Pamplin Media Group Capital Bureau.

Buckley, who oversees the agency's tax incentive, energy grant and loan programs, agreed to Berg's request.

Although TriMet never went through with the rebate, the transit agency sold its credits at the same steep discount of 75 cents on the dollar earlier this year. TriMet and the buyers waited to complete paperwork until after the Department of Energy's temporary rule change eliminated price regulations.

Buckley fielded another question from Berg in October 2014.

“You recently asked for guidance regarding the pricing of energy tax credits when using

either the transfer or pass-through mechanisms,” Buckley wrote in an Oct. 16, 2014, email to Berg. Buckley wrote that according to energy officials' understanding of state law, “(Oregon Department of Energy's) pricing can be referenced, but is not mandated.”

The same month, Colello provided very different advice to another Blue Tree Strategies client. Scott Chancey, transit program manager for Josephine County, emailed questions about tax credit sales and prices to Colello.

“The state wanted me to basically sell them myself,” Chancey said of the credits. “I was actually working with the broker. The broker's the one that actually prompted all this and helped me get through it. ... What they were saying is, this was being done in other areas with these energy tax credits and why couldn't it be done here?”

Colello responded that the tax credits must be sold at a price calculated with the De-

partment of Energy's formula. The agency did not provide any evidence Buckley shared his interpretation of the law with Colello until 2015, shortly before the rule change to eliminate price regulations.

Rumwell, president of the Rock Creek Community Association, said he was disappointed by the state's plan to retroactively change the rules on tax credit prices.

“If they change the rule, I would be somewhat upset that we were never notified,” Rumwell said. “I very clearly put that to the state as to whether we could discount it, because we were up against a deadline, I believe, of December last year.”

Berg, of Blue Tree Strategies, was not bothered by the idea that only a small group of people knew the Department of Energy was not enforcing price rules.

“I think I was busy doing other stuff, and I didn't even notice,” Berg said. “That wouldn't fall under something as fully transparent, if some people know about something and others didn't. But I don't even know if that happened.”

“Some of them ... don't believe in following the law.”

—Jody Wisser, Tax Fairness Oregon

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## Thomas S. Caddy

July 20, 1925 - July 14, 2015



Troutdale resident, Thomas S. Caddy, died on July 14, 2015. He was 89. Private placement of his ashes was held at Cliffside Cemetery in Sandy, Oregon.

Thomas Seabridge Caddy was born in a home on Pipeline Rd. east of Sam Barlow High School to Leon and Gertrude (Ickler) Caddy on July 20, 1925. He lived in the Troutdale area all of his life and spent his last years with his wife, Shirley at Huntington Terrace in Gresham.

Tom graduated from Gresham High School while taking vocational training at OIT in Klamath Falls. He worked at Reynolds Metals in Troutdale his entire career, holding various positions with the company. On August 25, 1951, he married Shirley Hewitt, gaining a daughter, Mary Lou in the process. Their son, Thomas John came along on September 24, 1952 and Steven Vance was born 15 months later.

Tom enjoyed fishing, hunting, and firearms, was a licensed pilot, woodcarving, cribbage, garage sales and loved his dogs. He played music on a stand-up bass fiddle during the “Big Band” era for Van Armitage and also the family band, where he met Shirley at a war bond rally.

His wife, Shirley passed away on January 8, 2013 and their son, Steven passed away on July 16, 2003. Survivors include; daughter Mary Lou Anderson; son, Thomas J. Caddy; 5 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren.

*In Loving Memory*



## Gerold (Jake) Maurer

November 14, 1934 ~ August 8, 2015

Gerold (Jake) Maurer, 80 years old, passed on at his home in Molalla surrounded by family.

He was born to Henry (Hank) and Nelda (Kurgeweit) Maurer in Madison, Nebraska.

Jake moved to Oregon as a child and grew up in the Portland area. It's there that he met Carol Mary Hanset, fell in love and they were married for 62 years.

He had many interests which included family, fishing, camping, and 42 years of gardening and caring for their mini-farm along Milk Creek in Mulino. He was a handyman extraordinaire.

Jake was in the Air National Guard for 23 years and later in life spent 23 years performing with the Portland Singing Christmas Tree. He also sang at the St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Canby with the folk group then later with the choir at St. James in Molalla.

He gave freely of his time to help others on projects as well as at St. James and with the Knights of Columbus.

He is preceded in death by three sons; baby James David, Matthew Alan, and Christopher James.

He is survived by his wife Carol Mary Maurer; sons Terry Ray Diarmit, Kevin Douglas Maurer, Vincent Paul Maurer; and daughter Laura Lynn Maurer; sisters Julene Kummer of Columbus, Nebraska and Barbara (Bill) Vanderhoe of Damascus, Oregon; 12 grandchildren and several great grandchildren. Services were held at St. James Catholic Church in Molalla.

*In Loving Memory*

## John (Jack) Louis Riggs Jr.

July 8, 1938 to June 26, 2015

John (Jack) Louis Riggs Jr. died June 26, 2015 surrounded by family at his home in Oregon City after complications from a lifelong heart condition, diabetes and recent renal failure.

John was born on July 8, 1938. He attended Lincoln High School in Portland. He married Della Mae Ratliff on August 1st, 1959. (They would have celebrated their 56th anniversary this year.) He studied art at Portland State University and Clackamas Community College graduating in 1970. John retired from Freightliner Corp. after 34 years of employment. He was a wedding officiate for 20 years, officiating over 1000 weddings.

As a longtime member of the Oregon City Jaycees (serving as President and Territorial Days Parade Chairman for many years), he was given the honor of JCI Senator. He was Corps Director for the Oregon Crusaders Drum and Bugle Corps from 1977-1978. John also served as President (and other roles) for the Oregon City Sister City Association (with Tateshina, Japan).

John is survived by his loving wife; daughter, Geneava/Geni Butterfield (Jason); sons, John Louis Riggs III and Bruce Elliott Riggs (Tonja); three brothers; two sisters; seven grandchildren (two others preceded him in death) and two great-grandchildren.

A Celebration of his life will be held Saturday, August 29th from 1-3 pm at the Oregon City Pioneer (Senior) Center. You may also leave notes of remembrance at [www.anewtradition.com](http://www.anewtradition.com).

# TribunePuzzles

## The Crossword Puzzle

"MAKE IT COUNT" By Joel D. Lafargue Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

<p><b>ACROSS</b></p> <p>1 Tatters</p> <p>5 Cousin of a Tony</p> <p>9 Staples Center player</p> <p>14 Certain candidate's goal</p> <p>18 On</p> <p>19 Legally binding, as a contract</p> <p>21 Romney foe</p> <p>22 See 98-Down</p> <p>23 Diminutive flower?</p> <p>25 Cultural pursuits with limits?</p> <p>27 Ladder parts</p> <p>28 Datebook notation</p> <p>30 Kindle Fire, for one</p> <p>31 Overzealous</p> <p>34 Scriabin piece</p> <p>36 They may be cut by perps</p> <p>38 Choice group</p> <p>39 Mexican bread</p> <p>41 '50s/'60s character actor Lyle</p> <p>46 After all adjustments</p> <p>47 Musician to feel sorry for?</p> <p>50 "Rule, Britannia" composer</p> <p>51 Discoverer of Vinland</p> <p>54 French governing body</p> <p>55 Sewer cover</p> <p>56 Prevalled</p> <p>57 Brylcreem amount</p> <p>60 401, to Marcus</p> <p>61 Randy of country</p> <p>62 Czech. neighbor</p> <p>63 Near East inn</p> <p>65 Shocked</p> <p>67 Hot condition</p> <p>68 "Just a ..."</p> <p>70 Novel set in a church?</p> <p>73 QB's targets</p> <p>74 Sneaky chuckle</p> <p>75 Granada grain</p> <p>76 One needing a lift</p> <p>77 Beatles' "A ___ in the Life"</p> <p>79 Ominous words</p> <p>81 ___ milk</p> <p>83 Audio receiver?</p> <p>84 Middle of England?</p> <p>87 Michelin products</p> <p>88 Pea pokers</p> <p>90 "___ Pierce": Kate Winslet miniseries</p> <p>91 Prefix with space</p> <p>92 Indispensable poet?</p>	<p><b>DOWN</b></p> <p>1 Eminem genre</p> <p>2 Put away the groceries?</p> <p>3 Understood</p> <p>4 Enthusiasm</p> <p>5 Hot spot</p> <p>6 Entered rudely</p> <p>7 Lame answer to "Where's your homework?"</p> <p>8 Grafton's "___ for Evidence"</p> <p>9 Artist's digs</p> <p>10 Free as ...</p> <p>11 West of Georgia</p> <p>12 Former "big four" record company</p> <p>13 Coiled menace</p> <p>14 Attempt</p> <p>15 Peerage member</p> <p>16 Old. in Oberhausen</p> <p>17 Screen ___</p> <p>20 Political pundit</p> <p>24 Insolence, in modern slang</p> <p>26 Bridge position</p> <p>29 Uncool types</p> <p>31 Agree to more issues</p> <p>32 Olds compact</p> <p>33 Acerbic fruit?</p> <p>35 Flinders in Adelaide, e.g., briefly</p> <p>37 Help in a burglary</p> <p>40 Cartel acronym</p> <p>42 Twelve Oaks neighbor</p> <p>43 Serious transport?</p> <p>44 Having all the pieces</p> <p>45 Pieces of peanut butter?</p> <p>47 Kitty with no fur</p> <p>48 Messages on packages</p> <p>49 Atelier figure</p> <p>52 Iowa campus</p> <p>53 Do better than</p> <p>55 Beowulf's foe</p> <p>57 Passbook entry</p> <p>58 Home of the Pac-12's Wildcats</p> <p>59 Hitler's "lumber"</p> <p>61 Seesaw complement</p> <p>63 35mm camera option</p> <p>64 Uncertainties</p> <p>66 Studio sign word</p> <p>68 Fired on</p> <p>69 More spooky</p> <p>71 Press closing</p> <p>72 Clanton gang leader</p> <p>78 "Not to mention ..."</p> <p>80 Some summer births</p> <p>82 Dog's "Ouch!"</p> <p>84 Round fig.</p> <p>85 ___Wreck</p> <p>86 Ford fiasco</p> <p>88 Destroyer of some castles</p> <p>89 Scandinavian toast</p> <p>90 Part of the "M*A*S*H" set</p> <p>92 It may be reached</p> <p>93 Coastal irregularities</p> <p>94 Short, shortened</p> <p>95 Leighton of "Gossip Girl"</p> <p>98 With 22-Across, extravagant account</p> <p>100 Outlet site</p> <p>101 Escapades</p> <p>103 Bellini opera</p> <p>104 Spring births, perhaps</p> <p>107 Bucket of bolts</p> <p>108 Athlete who's now a National</p> <p>109 Provoked reaction</p> <p>110 Basic building block</p> <p>112 Little helper?</p> <p>114 Pay for a hand</p> <p>116 Word Casper seldom uses</p> <p>118 "That's what I think," in chatspeak</p> <p>119 This minute</p> <p>120 Model/actress</p> <p>121 Mendes</p> <p>121 Collector's goal</p>
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Puzzle 1

## Sudoku Puzzles



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Puzzle 2

## SOLUTIONS

### Sudoku Answers

Puzzle 1

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Puzzle 2

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### Crossword Answers

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# Audit: Conditions not all rosy for Southwest residents either

Concerns include unpaved roads, few sidewalks, park access

By JIM REDDEN  
The Tribune

For many Portlanders, the southwest part of town would seem an ideal place to live. Safety is not a high concern, and it has an abundance of natural beauty.

But an audit released July 8 says residents have some of the same concerns as those who live in East Portland, which is considered one of the more challenging parts of town in which to live. They include unpaved roads, a lack of sidewalks, and — surprisingly — limited access to parks.

Those are among the findings of the audit titled “Southwest Portland: Residents rate livability highly while some services are much worse than citywide.” It was the second audit conducted by the City Auditor’s Office of the opinions of residents who live in the seven neighborhood coalition office areas. The first audit was of East Portland, where some of the findings were



A recent audit of residents in Southwest Portland revealed that they have many of the same concerns that residents of East Portland have, including unpaved roads, a lack of sidewalks and — surprisingly — limited access to parks. TRIBUNE FILE PHOTO

similar.

“While Southwest residents clearly feel better on most neighborhood issues than Portlanders in general, the city has much work to do to turn around resident opinions on the overall job of city government in Southwest and elsewhere. Residents in Southwest and Portland generally have given significantly lower ratings for overall city government compared to 10 years ago,” says the audit, which is based in part on the annual community surveys conducted by the auditor’s office.

Among other things, the audit found that while Southwest Portland residents feel safer than those who live in many other parts of the city, police and fire response times actually are worse.

“The response time for high priority police calls is almost a full two minutes slower than the city in general. The Police Bureau says response times are longer in Southwest because of street connectivity and access issues. Fire and rescue staff suggest times are slower due to the hilly terrain and winding

roads in the area,” the audit says.

An even bigger problem is overall road conditions, however. Southwest Portland has the highest percentage of unpaved roads in the city, with a notable lack of paved streets, sidewalks and bike lanes available to residents.

“Southwest residents who are active in the neighborhood association focus on a number of issues, but a primary one continues to be transportation,” says the audit, which notes that many transportation-related projects are planned, but not yet funded.

The audit concludes by saying, “Even though Southwest residents have very positive opinions of their neighborhoods, the city’s work may need to focus on certain service areas to ensure the area retains a high degree of livability. Issues such as public safety response times, access to more alternative means of transportation such as biking and walking trails, street maintenance and paving, and improved water and sewer services are a few areas in need of attention from city government.”

# State Land Board moves ahead with Elliott forest sale

Sale of coastal range forest could happen as early as next year

By HILLARY BORRUD  
Capital Bureau

SALEM — The Oregon State Land Board voted unanimously Thursday, Aug. 13, to move ahead with a plan to sell the Elliott State Forest to a buyer who will agree to conservation and job creation mandates.

The goal is to sever the connection between the forest and a state trust fund that provides money for K-12 public education. Currently, the state has a mandate to raise revenue from timber sales from the forest for schools. However, the listing of endangered species in the forest and subsequent environmental lawsuits forced the state to scale back timber harvests in recent years, to the point where the state lost money on the operation.

Under the plan the State Land Board approved, the state could select a buyer by December 2016 and close on the sale by December 2017.

Department of State Lands Director Mary Abrams said during the board meeting in Salem that the new plan has the potential to resolve in 26 months an issue “that has frustrated the board, as trustees, for almost two decades.” The state could extend the deadline by one more year if necessary to finalize financing for a deal, Abrams said. The land board is composed of the governor, secretary of state and state treasurer.

The state lost approximately \$5 million on the Elliott State Forest (located in Coos and Douglas counties) over the past two years, and state officials expect the forest will continue to operate with an annual deficit of \$500,000 to \$1 million indefinitely under the status quo.

Environmental groups and individuals said during testimony Thursday they want the Elliott State Forest to remain in public ownership, whether that means the federal government or a state agency. The state faces the challenge of finding a buyer who can pay fair market value for the 84,000 acres in the Elliott forest, which is required because of the connection to the state school fund.

“We’re actually going to be asking for three appraisals and then a review appraisal to ensure we come up with a number that is truly defensible,” Abrams said of the property value.

Jim Green, deputy executive director of the Oregon School Boards Association, told State Land Board members they were “actually in violation of your fiduciary responsibility” because the forest is currently losing money from the school fund. “You have a role as the trustees of the Common School Fund to ensure you get the highest value for the Common School Fund going forward.”

The protocol the land board approved will require any buyer of the forest to purchase the entire property and allow public access for hiking, fishing, hunting and other recreation on at least 50 percent of the land. The buyer will also have to protect older timber stands in 25 percent of the forestland from harvest, and ensure at least 40 direct and indirect jobs are created annually over the next decade from logging, reforestation, recreation or other activities.

Finally, the buyer must maintain 120-foot stream buffers in all areas with salmon, steelhead or bull trout and areas upstream.

Potential buyers now have 14 months to formulate proposals, although they must notify the state of their interest by Dec. 15. Environmental groups said during testimony they hope to raise money from a combination of private and public sources to purchase the forest, then possibly transfer it to a public owner. A bill that would have established a state system to protect trust land such as the Elliott State Forest, House Bill 3474, died in committee earlier this year, but some people said they hope lawmakers will revive the proposal in 2016.

Seth Barnes, director of forest policy for the Oregon Forest Industries Council, said the land board should consider that the timber industry remains an important part of the economy in the southwest region of the state.

“I was just encouraging them to keep in mind the timber revenue jobs that come off these properties are incredibly important to Oregon,” Barnes said after the meeting. Barnes said the plan approved Thursday could reduce annual timber harvests on the Elliott State Forest from 40 million board feet down to 20 million, and each 1 million board feet of timber harvested directly creates approximately 11 jobs.

Josh Laughlin, interim executive director of Eugene-based Cascadia Wildlands, said the group wants the state to require that any buyer allow public access to the entire forestland.

“We support you working with land trust organizations and other organizations to make the Common School Fund whole,” Laughlin said, but he added that Oregonians want to keep the forest in public ownership.

Christy Splitt, coordinator for the Oregon Conservation Network, said state officials should provide “bold leadership” to coordinate efforts to decouple the Elliott State Forest from the school fund in a way that preserves the forest for the public.

Abrams said the state plan allows time for a trust land plan, if one moves forward, and she said it is now time “to stop debating and get to work.”

“There has to be a little pressure put on the people who are interested in the future of the Elliott,” Abrams said.



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The first time Leo Soell saw themselves in a mirror after having a bilateral mastectomy and a haircut, it was the first time they'd felt as though their physical appearance matched their internal identity since childhood.

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Words breathe life into every corner of an apartment in Southeast Portland — taped to mirrors and doors, lining bookshelves and tabletops, scrawled on whiteboards and framed posters.

Words from sisters, words from best friends, words from within. On a photo taped to the bottom corner of the bathroom mirror are 24 words to give you pause.

Your hair will grow back and look like this. Your name is Leo. You are strong. Your gender is real. This is real life.

"I identify as transgender. Specifically, I say transmasculine and genderqueer," said Leo Soell, 25. "The genderqueer piece comes from not identify-

ing within the gender binary of male and female — so (I fit in) along the spectrum, in between."

Identifying along the spectrum, outside the boxes of "male" or "female," means that Soell also doesn't identify with "he" or "she." Soell prefers the pronoun "they," a linguistic transition they began implementing two years ago with close friends, and last February with the world. During this time, they also worked with doctors at Tualatin's Legacy Meridian Park Medical Center, who played a vital role in their gender identity transition.

"Some people might argue, 'Why don't you just use 'he?'" It's masculine," Soell said. "But 'they' continuously points to the fact that the language is not inclusive."

By definition, "they" can mean a group of people or a single person of unspecified gender, but the language has whittled away at the latter meaning. Using "they" as a singular pronoun sets off grammar alarms

in many people's brains, including Soell's, when they first begin changing pronouns.

Growing up outside of Boulder, Colo., Soell was born a female named Brina. They remember being one of the only kids in class who was invited to girl and boy birthday parties — yet even then, Soell knew they didn't quite fit either category. When their mother would take them shopping, she'd let them choose which department to buy their clothes. Through competitive soccer, Soell was acutely aware that the boys' jerseys just said "soccer," while the girls' uniforms read "girls soccer."

Then, at age 13, health complications led Soell's doctors to prescribe a high dose of birth

### EDITOR'S NOTE

In this story, "they," "them" and "their" have been used as singular, gender-neutral pronouns in regard to Leo Soell. We made this decision to stay true to Soell's gender-neutral identity.

### MORE INSIDE

For more on Soell's journey with breast cancer, see A10.

control medication, setting into motion eight years of skirt-wearing and unbalanced hormones. After much self-reflection and analyses with doctors, Soell believes that the added hormones from the medicine prompted a dramatic change in

personality and a more feminine gender identity.

"As a 15-year-old, how do you even deal with all that?" Soell said, noting that as someone who's always been attracted to women, traditional birth control uses didn't apply.

During those years, Soell felt "off" and tried to vocalize their concerns, but didn't know how. That feeling persisted until five years ago when unexplained liver failure prompted them to stop taking the pill.

Within months, dresses were traded for pants; mood swings were swapped for stability.

"I can't imagine being 45 and still wearing dresses. Like, I can't even fathom 45 years of wearing dresses and being me,"

Soell said. "It's horrifying to me. It's so scary, because I knew something was off even as an adolescent, but I didn't have the words."

### Ups and downs

Within a few years of Soell's transformation, their health started failing again, just months after starting to come out as trans at age 23. For several months, things were perfect — Soell was living their most authentic life, so far, and their body was responding. Previously unable to grow armpit hair, Soell suddenly had some; always athletic but scrawny, their muscle mass increased; endless

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# Soell: Low tolerance for intolerance

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compliments about their smell hinted to a change in pheromones.

“Once I figured out who I was, finally, with words, it’s interesting because my body sort of started changing by itself,” Soell said. “You can imagine all of these things combined — and this sounds ridiculous — but it actually felt like my actual puberty had started as a 23-year-old.”

That was in August of 2014. But by November, Soell was crashing. Weight loss and intense lethargy were met with doctor after doctor saying, “It’s all in your head.” Meanwhile, Soell voiced the words “I think I have cancer” to a friend.

Exactly one year later, they were proven right.

## Diagnosis, treatment ... recovery

A fifth-grade teacher in the Gresham-Barlow School District, Soell doesn’t take days off. Where career paths are choices for some, for Soell it is intrinsic — teaching is as much a part of their identity as being trans. Even during the spring of 2014, when it felt as though “there was a dragon in the room at all times trying to eat me alive,” Soell didn’t falter.

By that April, they had found Megan Bird, medical director of Legacy Medical Group Women’s Specialties, who practices out of West Linn and operates at Meridian Park. Soell worked with Bird for months and began taking a low dosage of testosterone before a lump under their arm and a climax of symptoms set in to motion the next phase of the battle within Soell’s body.

It was a weekday in October and Soell was at school when the dragon eating away at them grew stronger and they knew these symptoms warranted a trip to the emergency room. But upon arrival, the hospital staff told Soell they were just experiencing heavy bleeding from their period.

“They all, once again, thought I was crazy,” Soell said.

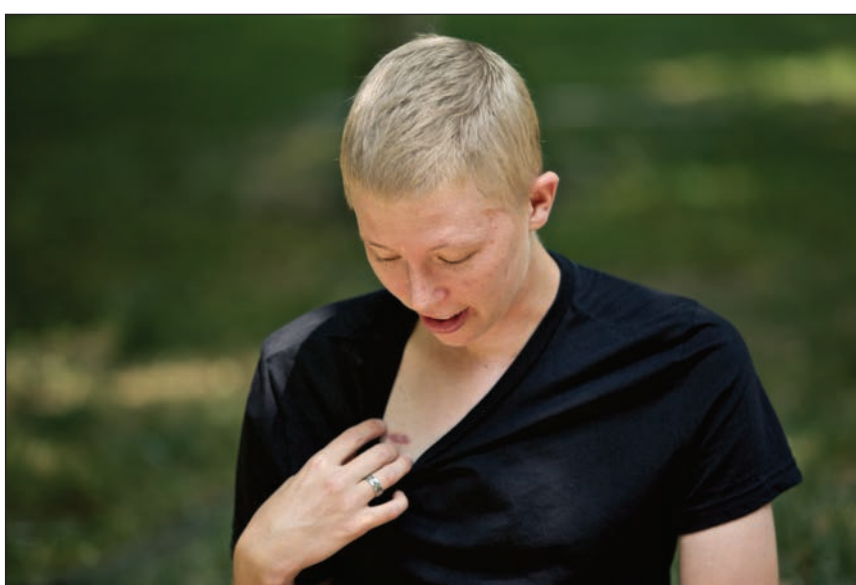
Bird was called and Soell went to her office in West Linn; the next day, a biopsy was performed to examine the lump, and on Friday, a voicemail on Soell’s phone asked them to come in as soon as work ended.

“I knew that I had cancer because we were led to a room with a bunch of nature photos,” Soell said, running their right hand from the top of their forehead to the back of their head. “Then Dr. Bird came in and told me.”

Stage 1. Breast cancer. Not genetic. Estrogen positive. These were the things that Soell would learn over the coming weeks, all leading up to a bilateral mastectomy. Always in tune with their physical and mental selves, Soell doesn’t think it was happenstance that their cancer targeted the gendered parts of their body.

“I do think it happened to me for a reason, and I don’t think it’s a coincidence that I got this particular cancer at this age,” they said. “I think that fighting cancer is the only thing harder than fighting oppression, and gives you enough courage and also stubbornness to continue on your way. For me, I needed that reminder big-time.”

Having breast cancer was Soell’s first real look at top surgery — a term specific for breast surgery for transgender patients — but getting implants made no sense to Soell or their gender identity.



When Leo Soell was diagnosed with breast cancer, they had no idea that it would lead them on a journey to better discover their sense of self, too.

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With that, Soell’s transition became a little clearer to those around them.

“It sort of gives a really easy excuse for people to understand the transition part of it,” Soell said. “I don’t think you need an excuse — you shouldn’t need an excuse — but for now, it’s been a good bridge into the normative community.”

After their December top surgery at Meridian Park, Soell completed one more step to creating external and internal harmony — a haircut.

“Right after that surgery was when I had my haircut revolution,” they said. “I was like ‘You know what? You only live once. I need to start matching some things up with myself.’ And I cut my hair short. That was a huge deal for me.”

When Soell got home, they looked at themselves in the mirror and snapped a photo.

“That was the first time I didn’t have gender dysphoria since I was a kid,” they said. “Because between my hair and my top surgery, I could look in the mirror and see myself.”

Two weeks later, after learning they’d need chemotherapy, Soell taped the photo to the bathroom mirror with a self-affirming note: “Your hair will grow back and look like this. This is real life.”

Seven months later, the photo still hangs from the mirror, and Soell’s hair is growing back.

## Changes

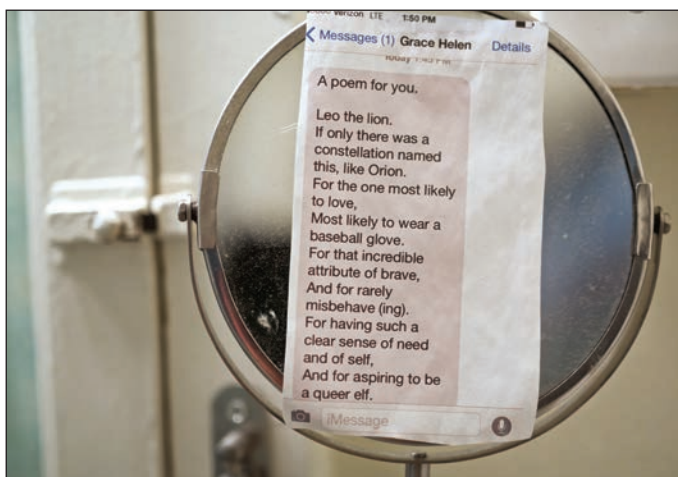
Initially, Soell was told they’d need six rounds of chemo every three weeks, but intense side effects cut treatment short by two rounds in exchange for a hysterectomy performed by Bird at Meridian Park.

Throughout the treatment, which left Soell unable to eat or drink, solo hikes were the one thing that made them feel toxin-free. Though deemed foolish by their team of doctors at the time, Soell took to the trees anyway, knowing that it was essential for healing.

“Anytime I finished a hike, it was the cleanest I felt. It was the only time where I didn’t have the taste of chemicals in my mouth throughout all of treatment,” they said. “After each round, you needed a reason to keep going because they sucked. They were horrible, so I kept having these tiny revolutions in between rounds.”

On a hike in the Columbia River Gorge between the third and fourth rounds of chemotherapy, Soell decided to change their name.

“With each step, I felt stronger and more whole,” Soell wrote later in their journal. “I knew in that summit that hiking is what will get me through chemo. One step at a time, surrounded by trees and the comfort of belonging to something greater than myself.”



“Now I know to live for now, not for the past or even near future. I’m going to be my full transgender queer masculine self all the time. I finally get to be Leo,” they wrote in their journal.

After that hike, they arrived home and told a couple friends to call them Leo, a name chosen both for its masculinity and astrological might. Instantly, they felt that the name fit.

Soell called their older sister, Heli, to announce the change in a final test, but didn’t tell her the new moniker. After Heli guessed correctly on the first try, Soell went to the Multnomah County Courthouse the following day to file the paperwork for their name change.

Two weeks later, after their fourth round of chemo, they were back for the hearing in a beanie sans eyebrows, giddy with excitement, and would shortly be writing their name on brunch waiting lists and exclaiming “That’s me!” upon hearing “Leo?”

“It was ridiculous that I was ever named anything but Leo,” they said. “It’s just like after I had top surgery. I can’t believe I hadn’t had it until that moment.”

## The lion

Soell’s intention was never to be more visible than anyone else. They describe their upbringing as privileged, a reality they are hyper aware of today. For Soell, higher education meant Lewis & Clark College, a place where they were able to study gender identity and learn about themselves from a scholarly perspective.

“I had all this privilege to now have a body that fits my gender and even the ability to buy clothes that fit my gender. Not everyone can do that. ... I match up quite a lot with my gender, but people still misgender me,” Soell said. “So then I think about a kid who’s living in a conservative, rural community who has no access to any of this and what their life must be like.”

For these reasons, Soell knew they couldn’t be silent, that they couldn’t let others call them “she” or “woman” or “girl” just because it’s easier in the moment. So when their coming out matched up with the cancer at-

tacking the gendered parts of their body, they knew they had a chance to be heard.

“Stuff started happening to me and the world was not ready for me. So I’m trying to make the world ready for other people,” Soell said. “I just fought cancer and everything changed overnight.”

“But was I rude to people or mean? Or disrespectful because everything in my life changed? No, I wasn’t. If I can do that when I have poison in my veins, (people) can do that when someone is asking to be themselves. So I have a lower tolerance for intolerance because of that.”

As Soell explains it, they’re faced with “a lot of ‘otherness,’ but it’s just me being me.” They’re a person expressing themselves the truest way they know how and are working toward a world where inclusion is good, not just sought.

“Inclusion is always positive, as long as everybody is happy and healthy and treating everybody with respect,” they said. “I think that love wins, no matter what.”

And everywhere you look around Soell’s apartment, that sentiment rings true. Notes from students, flags from favorite countries, signs from pride events. And framed in a shadow box is a chest port, the medical device that delivered their chemo drips.

“For you, we are building,” reads the frame’s mat in handwritten letters. “The only way out is through.”

Around the corner, a whiteboard note from sister Heli leans against the bright blue wall that matches Soell’s eyes. “Fearlessness is being terrified and moving forward anyway.”

Across the hall, taped to a closet door and written in red marker, an end-of-year message from a student — “I appreciate my life. I learned to be (my)self. I will miss Leo.”

And written in a notebook in tidy, thoughtful scrawl, a personal reminder in the form of a six-word memoir: teacher, learner, advocate, lover, perceiver, lion.

# Meridian Park doctors helped Soell get to new ‘normal’

Physicians offered support navigating cancer, identity issues

By CAITLIN FELDMAN  
Pamplin Media Group

Leo Soell’s health journey was never normal. From early teenage years, they struggled with mysterious symptoms and ailments that often went unexplained.

So when Soell suspected they had cancer at age 24, it should have been no surprise that a year later, this self-diagnosis would be correct. But before that diagnosis was confirmed, Soell was met with months of health care practices that didn’t meet their needs.

In addition to their failing health, Soell was coming out as transgender and genderqueer, and doctors repeatedly expressed disbelief regarding Soell’s list of symptoms and possible explanations. Eventually, Soell was led to Megan Bird, medical director of Legacy Medical Group Women’s Specialties, in the spring of 2014.

Unlike other doctors, Bird sat down with Soell for hours, reviewing their medical history and seeking the root of her patient’s declining health.

“There’s this ethical conflict in medicine, I think, where you have to at the same time believe everything (patients) say and nothing that they say,” Bird said. “The person in front of you is not lying to you. On the other hand, (for) everything that they say, we need verification because they may have misunderstood it, the doctor may not have explained it well, the evidence may be different now, we may know more about their problem.”

As Soell sat with a friend in Bird’s office in November 2014, the lump under Soell’s arm was confirmed as cancerous — the start of months of coordinated care, life-changing decisions, and Soell’s evolving role as an advocate for the transgender community.

But before all that could fully set in motion, Soell needed a plan to become cancer-free.

Bird introduced Soell to surgical oncologist Alivia Cetas and plastic surgeon Emily Hu, both based at Legacy Meridian Park Medical Center in Tualatin.

After analyzing the options and Soell’s chance for recurring breast cancer, a bilateral mastectomy was determined to be a safer route than a lumpectomy with radiation. And because of their gender-neutral identity, Soell didn’t want breast reconstruction, but opted for a more male-like chest.

Cetas did everything she

could to remove the cancer, and Hu did her part to make sure Soell was pleased with the cosmetic results.

“Leo’s situation is unique in the fact of not trying to reconstruct a more feminine breast, but trying to remove the cancer, remove the breast, and trying to keep the nipple/areola complex,” Cetas said. “That seemed safe from a cancer perspective and seemed to really keep the focus on Leo and keep Leo satisfied with the outcome.”

For both Cetas and Hu, this was uncharted territory. They’d performed mastectomies and reconstructions; breast reductions were no concern. But to remove as much tissue as possible to rid Soell of cancer, while still leaving enough for a masculine reconstruction — that was new. Meanwhile, minimal scarring also was a top priority.

“In the end, I tell the patient that the goal is to get the cancer gone. Then, my goal is to try and get you back to as normal as possible,” Hu said. “We all want to look ‘normal.’ We all have different ideas of what normal is, but in our minds, we have ideas of what it is to be normal, to walk outside and not have people stare at us.”

For Soell, the surgery meant a new normal, a journey to a place they’d never physically navigated before.

They weren’t sure if they’d like it, and there were no before-and-after images from previous patients in similar situations as examples. Here, doctor support was critical for both Soell’s trans and cancer health care.

“It’s very easy to only see one side of somebody, to only see one dimension. ‘Oh, if they’re trans, they’re this, that and the other thing,’” Bird said. But “they’re just people. They want to be respected and loved like everybody else. ... They’re human beings who want to be human beings.”

Though Soell never thought that cancer would lead to a better understanding of self, the strength they gained fighting the disease through a mastectomy, chemotherapy and a hysterectomy gave them strength to fight in the other aspects of life, too. Through cancer, Soell discovered that there was no time for silence.

“Now I know to live for now, not for the past or even near future. I’m going to be my full transgender queer masculine self all the time. I finally get to be Leo,” they wrote in their journal. “This transition reeks of bravery and freedom. It’s funny to me how such horrible, constraining, painful events can lead to the release of the soul.”

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FOR PAMPLIN MEDIA GROUP: JULES ROGERS  
Along a one-mile stretch of the Orange Line, 39 rusty steel boats by Portland artist Bill Will rest among landscaped beds that help filter out pollutants.

## Seeing green on Orange Line

By JULES ROGERS  
For Pamplin Media Group

When TriMet cuts the ribbon on the new Orange Line between downtown Portland and Milwaukie next month, the environmental benefits will go well beyond easing smog and congestion. The new light rail line also blazes several new trails for sustainability features.

The "eco-track" near Southwest Third Avenue and Lincoln Street may be the first of its kind in the world, says Bob Hastings, TriMet architect for design and construction. TriMet planted sedum between the rails, which will reduce train noises and vibrations, and filter out pollutants so they don't drain into area rivers.

The light rail trains use regenerative energy systems,

which capture energy trains use to brake, releasing it back for reuse. A supercapacitor at the Tacoma substation stores energy from braking trains and feeds it to accelerating trains, or trains going uphill.

"It's one-of-a-kind tech in North America," Hastings says.

Along the entire line, 286 bioswales will collect rain and filter out more pollutants.

Eight eco-roofs were planted atop buildings along the Orange Line. Those provide insulation and habitats for butterflies, and absorb pollutants like carbon dioxide and dust particles.

Water reclaimed by the new stormwater system will be used to wash light rail trains at the Ruby Junction

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Jude Gerace, owner of Sugar Wheel Works, places spokes on a hand-built bicycle wheel for a client at her North Portland workshop.

## North Portland shop gives new life to old bicycle hubs

By JENNIFER ANDERSON  
For Pamplin Media Group

Jude Gerace gently spins the mounted bike wheel, a guitar pick on one finger and her head tilted to the side to listen.

Like a musician fine-tuning her instrument, she plucks the spokes and listens to the pitch, then tightens them with a wrench to balance the tension.

It's called "truing" the wheel, something Gerace does every day in her custom bike wheel business, Sugar Wheel Works.

"Wheels," she says, "are the

most important component on a bicycle, other than the frame. They can drastically change the way your bike feels, rides and performs."

In 2008, Gerace opened the North Portland shop to help reuse wheel hubs — the aluminum or titanium core of the bicycle wheel that accounts for about half of the cost. Her three-employee shop goes to great lengths to break down and recycle all metals, plastic and other packaging materials.

Sugar Wheel Works is launching a new effort to brand its sustainability practices with

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a program called "ReBuild. ReRide. ReLove."

"Ninety percent of our wheels can be remade into other wheels," says Gerace, 32, a Chicago native who moved to Portland after traveling

through most of her 20s. "A lot of people don't realize they can reuse the hub."

Unless it's part of a factory-made wheel system, has been wrecked, or is of poor quality, most are still good for another life after other parts of the wheel are worn out.

"We've seen 25- to 30-year-old hubs that are going on to their fifth or sixth wheel set," Gerace says.

Gerace encourages customers to break down their old wheels and send their hub in to

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# Hubs: Wheels key to smooth ride

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Sugar Wheel Works to be re-made into a new wheel; she's posting photos and tips on the shop's website to demonstrate how.

"They send us a hub; we re-build it," she says. "We'll basically have a brand-new wheel set using something old."

Hand-building wheels rather than buying them off-the-shelf is not a revolutionary idea.

It was the norm in the 1970s and '80s, until everything from bikes to bread to breakfast cereal became more focused on convenience and industrialization.

As people came to care more about quality and the craft of wheelmaking, a small community of wheel builders has cropped up.

Most, like Sugar Wheel Works, take various components — hubs, tires, rims, spokes and other parts — and piece them together per their customer's specifications.

Gerace starts her orders with a consultation, either in person or online, including information about the person's budget, performance, maintenance and desired aesthetic.

Once she or one of the builders begin the wheel building, it takes about an hour per set.

For someone who sends in their old hub, it may cost \$250 to \$600 for a newly built alloy wheelset. Carbon wheelsets are spicier, upward of \$2,000.

Gerace calls herself a Luddite and she cherishes history



Jude Gerace, owner of Sugar Wheel Works in North Portland, says wheels are second only to the frame in assuring a good ride on a bike.

and tradition, using a caliper her father gave her as a gift and a wooden footstool her uncle made for her when she was young.

A lot of the cabinetry and benches come from a local antique shop. "It's an old craft," she says. "If you put in all-new tools, there's something that doesn't feel right about it."

Passionate about riding bikes since a young age, Gerace learned how to build wheels while working at a bike shop during college.

Obsessed with travel, she took six years to get through college and graduated from the University of Oregon with a degree in "development and

sustainability of grassroots organizations in Third World countries."

Some of her travel involved writing about a grassroots bike program in Guatemala. She also took a three-and-a-half month bike trip across Patagonia, riding a set of her own handbuilt wheels.

When she asked people at local bike shops why wheels made such an impact, "no one could tell me why, so I had to find the answer," she says. "I set out to study the wheel."

She took a two-day course at the United Bicycle Institute in Ashland, where she met up with other wheelmakers and found a local engineer as a

mentor.

Nine months later she launched the shop, and it's been growing ever since in Portland's artisan economy.

During the summer she regularly gives tours to kids at the Community Cycling Center's camps, explaining her work and the value in reusing old parts.

She shows them the bins where she sorts the various metals and plastics she recycles.

"Part of sustainability is educating the next generation," she says. "If we're fastidious about doing this, hopefully people will take that with them."

# Rail: Features break new ground for transit lines

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Light Rail Maintenance Facility, cutting potable water use by 70 percent.

Rain falling on the Tilikum Crossing bridge over the Willamette River is captured and redirected to stormwater facilities on both sides of the river. That's a first for the city; Portland's other bridges redirect runoff into the sewage system.

"Water quality is important for fish," says Dave Unsworth,

TriMet director of project development and permitting. "I'm really proud of how this ended up looking."

TriMet allotted \$1.7 million to restore habitats in the shallow water along the Willamette near the South Waterfront, removing 27,000 tons of contaminated soil, concrete and debris.

TriMet did have to remove some urban trees, but tried to find new uses for them. About 3,325 new trees were planted, four times as many as were uprooted.

"Of the trees we knocked over, we turned the root balls into Johnson Creek fish habitats or public art," Unsworth says.

Sixteen solar arrays were installed atop garages and MAX stations. The park-and-ride lot at the Southeast Park Avenue station gets all its energy from solar panels, powering the lights and elevator, including the bike-and-ride area.

All the lighting along the Orange Line uses LED bulbs, which use less electricity.

Rail ties on the Tacoma Bridge are made from composite plastic material, which is expected to reduce soil settlement issues. They have a lower lifetime cost than wood or concrete, don't leak chemicals into the ground, and are more durable. They can be recycled at the end of their life as rail ties.

TriMet plans to install 12 wind turbines near Tilikum Crossing, each projected to generate 1,000 watts of electricity per hour, offsetting the energy to light the bridge.

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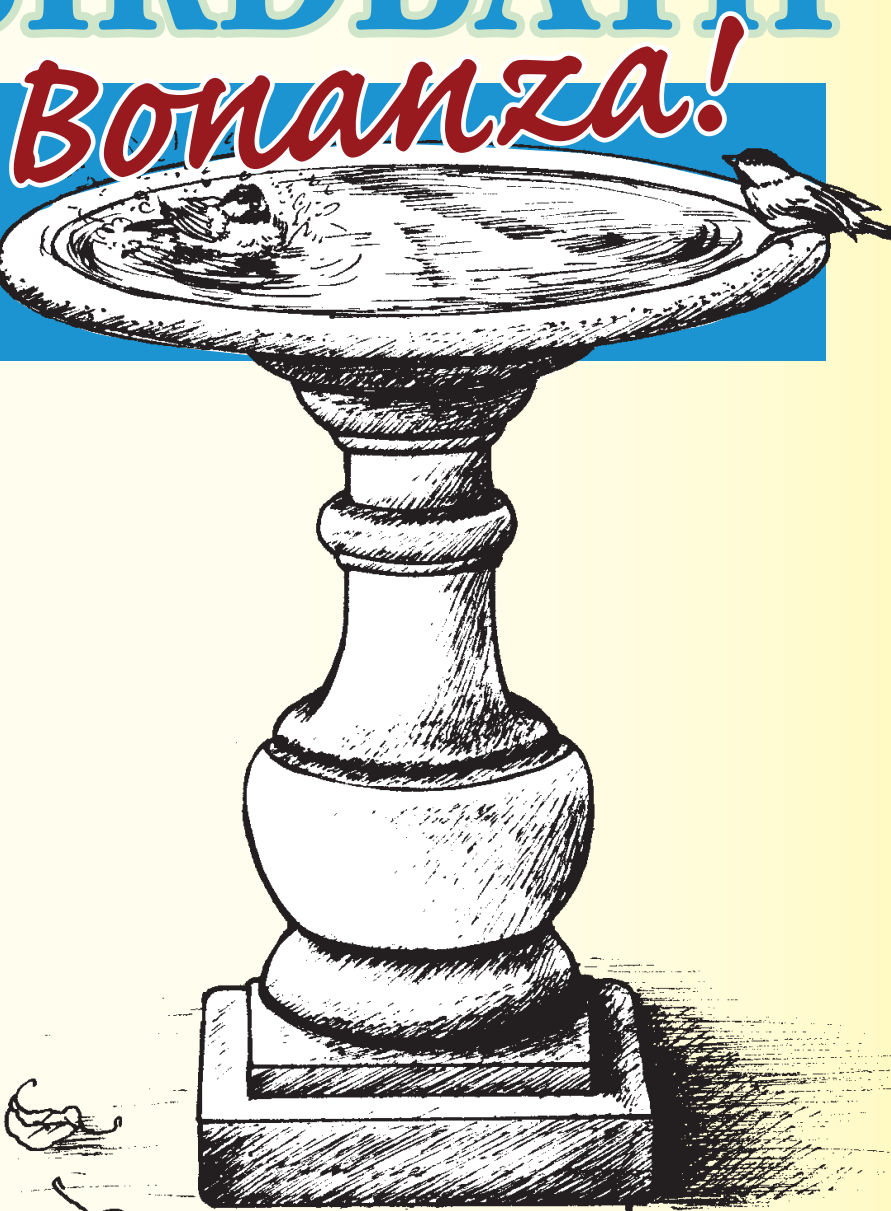
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## Ex-Duck will manage Pickles

Son of a coach, Altobelli gets job with summer team

By STEVE BRANDON  
The Tribune

J.J. Altobelli has been named manager of the Portland Pickles, a college woodbat summer baseball team set to debut in 2016 as part of the new Great West League.

The 24-year-old former University of Oregon shortstop figures his young age will work to his advantage.

"Being so fresh out of the college game is really going to help me," says Altobelli, who was all-Pac-12 in 2013.

"I can relate to these kids. I've been in their position.

"Some of them could feel intimidated coming up to an older coach, but I think they'll feel more comfortable around me and will be more likely to ask questions, and that will help them grow as baseball players.

"I'm a pretty even-keel guy; I don't get too high, too low. I want people to feel comfortable talking to me, especially my players. That's the best way for them to learn."

The Pickles' 60-game maiden season, with 30 home games at Walker Stadium in Southeast Portland's Lents Park, will begin next June. The ballpark already is undergoing renovations, including a new grass field and upgraded seating.

Altobelli, a native of Irvine, Calif., played one year of pro ball after he was drafted by the St. Louis Cardinals in the 18th round in 2013. He hit .285 for Johnson City (Tenn.), but chose to retire and return to Oregon as one of coach George Horton's administrative assistants. He'll continue in that job.

Coaching was a natural avenue for him, as his father, John Altobelli, is entering his 25th year at Orange Coast College in Costa Mesa, Calif.

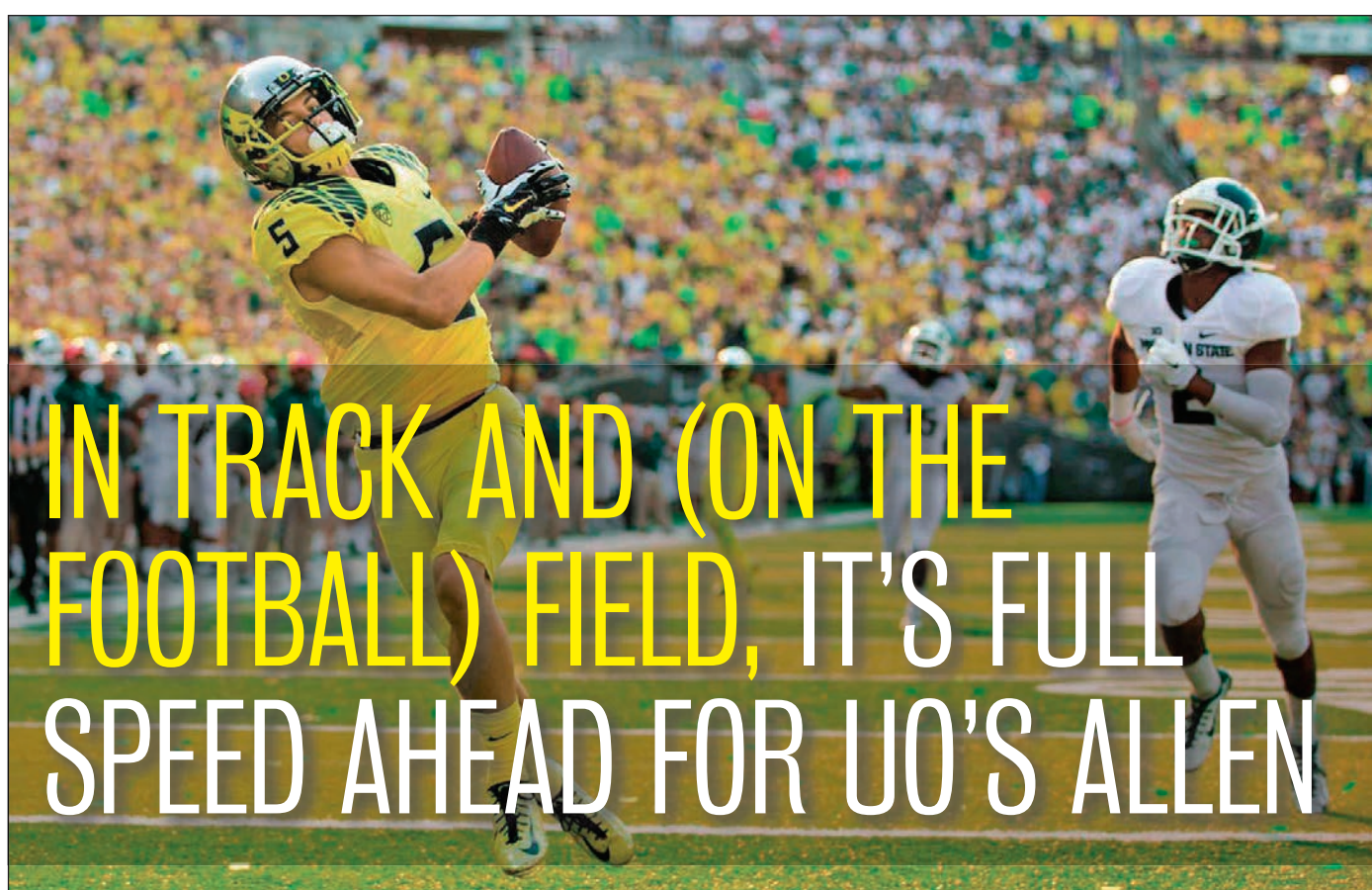
"I just came to the realization there wasn't much room for me to move up in the (Cardinals) organization, and I've always wanted to coach," Altobelli says. "Coaching is just like playing — you've got to start from the bottom and work your way up — so the sooner I could get into coaching the better."

Last summer, Altobelli was a coach with the Klamath Falls Gems of the West Coast League, another college summer woodbat circuit. This summer, he was third-base coach for the WCL's Medford Rogues.

Between now and late fall, Altobelli will be charged with lining up the young college players who will play for the Pickles.

"I have a lot of connections, just from playing in the Pac-12 and at Oregon. I've come to know a lot of the coaches," he says. "I'm going to contact Oregon, get some players from there, and it would be great to get some players from the University of Portland and a lot of the West Coast schools. I'll probably dip into the JC level where my dad coaches, too, because there are some really talented players there who go unnoticed."

"And I would love to have some Oregon State guys. I like (Beavers coach) Pat Casey — he's always treated me really well, and I have great respect for him and that program. They produce great players."



## IN TRACK AND (ON THE FOOTBALL) FIELD, IT'S FULL SPEED AHEAD FOR UO'S ALLEN

### Duck wide receiver recovering from ACL surgery hopes to run hurdles in Olympics

By JASON VONDERSMITH  
The Tribune

EUGENE — Devon Allen, the speedy Oregon wide receiver who has been working back into football form after knee surgery, wants to make a couple of things clear as the Ducks go through training camp:

He wants to make the 2016 U.S. Olympic team and race in the 110-meter hurdles at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, about a year from now.

Despite blowing out his knee in last season's Rose Bowl and going through surgery and rehabilitation, Allen plans to not only play football this season, he'll switch to track and field in January, train through the

college season, and show up at the starting line of the U.S. Olympic Trials in Eugene next July. Allen also says he won't feel behind because of his knee ordeal when he faces the likes of U.S. champ David Oliver and 2012 gold medalist Aries Merritt and silver medalist Jason Richardson.

"It'll be tough, because the U.S. is the hurdles mecca," says Allen, who burst onto the scene with NCAA and U.S. titles in 2014, a year removed from competing in football and track and field at Brophy Prep

in Phoenix. "All those guys are beasts in the hurdles," adding the names Ronnie Ash and Aleec Harris to the list.

"It'll come down to being in good shape, being in good fitness, running fast and performing on that day. In the Olympic Trials, you have to place in the top three or you don't make it. You could be the best in the world, and it doesn't matter if you don't place in the top three."

Don't misunderstand Allen. He doesn't think he's the best in the world, but he's fairly confident that he ranks in the top five. He won the NCAA 110 hurdles in 2014 in a meet-record 13.16 seconds, the second-

Devon Allen exploded onto the Oregon Ducks scene last year with touchdown catches, and now he is hoping to have a similar impact, after a knee injury, in both football and as a national champion hurdler in track and field.

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## Wilshire-Riverside baseball gets set for LL World Series

Sweep at regional sends potent team to Williamsport

By NATHANAEL MEADOWCROFT  
For the Tribune

The only things hotter than the 110-degree weather in San Bernardino, Calif., last week were the bats of Wilshire-Riverside Little League all-star team of 11- and 12-year-olds.

The Northeast Portland boys swept their competition at the Northwest regional tournament, capping an impressive week with a 15-3 championship game win over Idaho on Saturday afternoon.

For just the second time ever and the first time since 1958, a team from Portland has advanced to the Little League World Series in Williamsport, Pa.

Wilshire-Riverside is 12-0 in tournament play this summer, having swept its opponents in the district, state and regional tournaments.

The team averaged 12 runs per game over the four-game regional stretch.

Spencer Scott powered the attack, batting .600 (9 for 15) with five homers and 10 RBIs.

The pitching also was a strength. Wilshire-Riverside hurlers gave up 4.5 runs per game and avoided giving their opponents many free passes. In the championship game against Idaho, pitchers Kaden



Segel and Sam Stuhr combined to strike out five batters and walk none.

The Little League World Series begins on Thursday, but Wilshire-Riverside's coaches and players had to pack up and head to Williamsport Saturday evening, just hours after they had won the regional.

The expenses of the team's players and coaches are covered by Little League, but the families of the players have another unplanned vacation on their hands.

"Now the chaos really begins, or begins all over again," Wilshire-Riverside league President Jeff Langfeldt said after the regional triumph.

"Williamsport Little League International pays for the team and the players and coaches to get there, and that's all taken care of, but the fans have to figure out how to get there and where to stay."

The league is keeping active its GoFundMe online page, which it launched before the regional tournament, to help ease the costs on the players' families. Some other, new fundraising efforts are being made, as well.

"We've got some new stuff, shirts and hats that we're trying to purvey for the league to help raise monies, so we got all kinds of things we're trying to do to help defray some of those

costs," Langfeldt said.

Wilshire-Riverside's players and coaches traveled to San Bernardino on Aug. 5, and will be in Williamsport until Aug. 30. Most of the parents will come back to Portland for a few days before flying to Williamsport.

"They'll make whatever plans and emergency arrangements and then turn around and probably head out on Tuesday or Wednesday," Langfeldt said.

The team will participate in the Grand Slam Parade on Wednesday before playing its first of three guaranteed games against Texas at noon Thursday (ESPN).

The Wilshire-Riverside Little League team, which won district and state championships, also captured the Northwest regional last week to earn a spot in the Little League World Series.

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## Kerry Eggers



ON SPORTS

## O Brooke! Henderson breaks through

It was bound to happen. As Brooke Henderson stood alongside her father/caddy, Dave, on the 18th green Sunday afternoon at Columbia Edgewater Country Club, a too-cute fan broke into, "O Canada!"

Henderson could only turn around and giggle.

Moments later, she was on the receiving end of a champagne shower, courtesy of LPGA Tour pros Alena Sharp and Brooke's sister, Brittany, a fitting way to celebrate Brooke's victory in the \$1.3 million Cambia Portland Classic.

"I was hoping somebody would come out with champagne or water or something," Henderson told the media a half-hour later. "Unbelievable, and I'm soaking wet now."

Henderson isn't old enough to sip the bubbly, though the gendarmes on the premises probably would have looked away. The 5-4, 120-pound blonde, who won't turn 18 until Sept. 10, gave herself an early birthday present with her first LPGA Tour win since turning pro last December.

Henderson didn't just win the 44th annual Portland Classic. She owned it, bringing Columbia Edgewater to its knees, winning by eight strokes at 21-under 267.

The pride of Smith Falls, Ontario — population 9,000 — took a five-shot advantage into Sunday's final round. Rather than play conservatively and sit on the lead, the former hockey goalie went after birdies and got some, building the margin to nine at the nine-hole break. By then, it was all over but the champagne-dousing.

"I was just trying to play my own game," Henderson said. "I kept trying to get to minus-24. I came up a little bit short, but I got the win, and I'm extremely excited."

Why 24-under? "I didn't think anybody could catch me there," she said. "I wanted to play well today. I was trying not to watch the girls I was playing with ... or any other players. I wanted to hit good shots and try to make as many birdies as I could. Minus-24 sounded like a pretty good number to me."

So is 21-under, which was one stroke better than the tournament record 20-under set by Suzann Pettersen two years ago. Pornanong Phatlum, Ha Na Jang and Candie Kung tied for second Sunday at 13-under 275, light years behind the cherubic champion.

It was a family affair for Henderson, who moved to Daytona Beach, Fla., two years ago. Her mother, Darlene, stayed home in Smiths

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# UO: Allen says football trumps professional track

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fastest collegiate clocking ever, and then backed up the performance by winning the U.S. meet race in the same 13.16, ahead of Ryan Wilson.

Allen looks at his history of performance in the 110 hurdles and knows the short timeframe — January to July — doesn't bother him in his attempt to make the Olympic team. He started hurdling only in his sophomore year of high school, and he progressed quickly. Before the NCAA and national championship wins, he had gone through a full football season and started training in May — six weeks before the NCAAAs.

"If I'm top five now, I can be one of the best in the world," he says. Allen scours the Internet to watch hurdles races, scouting his competitors, it doesn't matter how obscure the event is. "I'm eager to see what I can do with a full track season," he says.

Then again, he'll presumably be busy from now until January with football. He wants to play and expects to play this season, but realizes the trainers have to sign off on letting him play.

Allen, who suffered a torn anterior cruciate ligament against Florida State, has been running — fast — and going through 7-on-7 drills at controlled speed. He hadn't cut it loose, as of the start of training camp.

Coach Mark Helfrich was conservative about when and how much Allen would participate in training camp.

"We'll see," he says. "He looks like a fast guy. He's such a tough dude. He'll do anything he can to put himself back on the field."

Allen certainly rates as one of the most intriguing players on the UO football team, because of his excellence in the other sport. He continues to defend his desire to play football and enjoy college life, rather than pursue a lucrative professional track and field career. The 6-foot, 185-pound redshirt sophomore sees playing in the NFL in his future — it's just as big a goal as running the high hurdles in the Olympics.

Allen had some spectacular plays last year, on the receiving end of passes by Marcus Mariota, in racking up 41 receptions for 684 yards and seven touchdowns. As a starter, he had good

performances through seven games, before slowing and then suffering the injury. He always was a threat when lined up opposite a defensive back.

In making his comeback from his first major injury, Allen says he wants to be 100 percent before taking the field; he says the Ducks have many good receivers and playing at 75 or 80 percent he wouldn't be as productive as somebody else at 100 percent.

"Even when I do feel 100 percent and healthy, I'm going to have to work my tail off to get a spot," he says. "I'm not just going to walk in and be a starting receiver again. I have to go out there and prove myself again and regain some playing time."

Allen says he just "is going with the flow, seeing how I feel" day to day. He does a lot of leg strengthening exercises. As Allen explains it, having an injury and then going through rehabilitation could make him better and faster in football and hurdles, because of the concentration on certain exercises and muscles.

"I think everything's going to work out for the better," he says.

After the Rose Bowl, Allen shrugged off the knee injury — he didn't know the severity, yet — and even now says, "it's part of playing football, that's what we sign up for."

He adds: "As an athlete, you never think it's going to happen to you. That's what I thought: 'I'm not going to ever hurt myself, it just doesn't happen.' But, it does (chuckles). You just have to deal with it."

Daily workouts mean daily monitoring of his body. He'll tell trainers about a tight hamstring or a sore knee (it doesn't hurt anymore) or sore IT bands, quad or calf, or fatigue or swelling. No point in pushing yourself — making cuts before he should make cuts, for example — and setting yourself back, he says.

But, he feels good. "Athletic trainers are going to be the most conservative," he says. "I feel like I can do it all right now, but they're like, 'Hey, let's retest you, make sure the functional stuff is up to par.'"

"I can run straight and run like the wind, I've been doing that for months. But it's about the reactionary movements, and how I'd react in the noncontrolled environment with bodies flying around."



Hannah O'Sullivan and her caddie (and mother), Sarah Hur, celebrate on the 16th green at Portland Golf Club after the U.S. Women's Amateur championship match against Sierra Brooks on Sunday. COURTESY: USGA/STEVEN GIBBONS

# O'Sullivan finishes the job, wins U.S. Women's Amateur

## Afternoon surge edges Brooks in battle of teens

By NATHANAEL MEADOWCROFT  
For the Tribune

During the first five rounds of match play at the U.S. Women's Amateur, 17-year-old Hannah O'Sullivan of Chandler, Ariz., showed her ability to pull away from opponents and come from behind to win.

On Sunday, both skills were apparent again, as O'Sullivan erased a 3-hole deficit to earn a 3-and-2 victory over 17-year-old Sierra Brooks of Sorrento, Fla., in the 36-hole final at Portland Golf Club.

"I can't describe how good it feels. It hasn't sunk in yet," said O'Sullivan, the 10th-ranked player in the Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking (WAGR). "It was such a tough match today, and to be able to come out on top, it's just in-

credible. I feel so blessed." Brooks, the top-ranked American in the WAGR and No. 5 overall, held a 3-up lead through 15 holes.

But O'Sullivan quickly worked her way back to all square, winning the 16th, 18th and 20th holes.

"I felt like I wasn't playing very well at all on the first 18, but I fought back and I still shot like 1-under, so I knew the game was there, and I had the opportunities," said O'Sullivan, a senior at Hamilton High who has committed to play college golf at USC. "I hit it a little more consistent and cleaner on the second 18, and I rolled in some really good putts."

Brooks, on the other hand, liked the way she came out of the gate in the championship match.

"This morning I was stripping it, and everything was really clicking," said Brooks, who has committed to attend Wake Forest after her senior year at Lake Mary Prep. "I didn't miss a lot of shots, and I don't think she played her 100

percent in the morning, but when we came back out, she played her 100 percent and brought it on."

Brooks birdied the 21st hole to go 1-up, but O'Sullivan eagled the 23rd to draw even. O'Sullivan birdied the 24th and 26th holes to go 2-up. Brooks tied it by winning the 27th and 29th holes, but then O'Sullivan had her closing surge.

O'Sullivan birdied the 30th, 32nd and 33rd holes to go 3-up with three holes remaining. On the 34th hole, O'Sullivan's tee shot went wide right, but the ball found a flat clearing beneath some trees with a straight shot at the pin. O'Sullivan hit her approach shot to within 20 feet. After Brooks missed her lengthy birdie putt, O'Sullivan two-putted for par to finish the job.

"Before we went out to the second 18, it went through my mind the next time we're done, one of us is going to be the Women's Amateur champion," O'Sullivan said. "The fact that it's me is just incredible."

Overall, O'Sullivan shot 7-under-par over the 34 holes, while Brooks was 3-under, with the usual match-play concessions.

With their performances, both O'Sullivan and Brooks received automatic bids into the 2016 U.S. Women's Open.

"It means so much to me. I couldn't be happier," Brooks said. "I've tried to qualify, haven't made it, so to finally know that I'm locked in and I'm playing in my first LPGA event means so much to me."

In addition to her berth into the U.S. Women's Open, with her victory O'Sullivan also received a one-year exemption into the ANA Inspiration, the Evian Championship and the Ricoh Women's British Open. Despite the several professional tournaments she will be competing in, O'Sullivan plans to remain an amateur.

"One tournament isn't going to change my decision or my life plans," O'Sullivan said. "I'm going to go to college and will try to get my degree before I try to turn pro and play professionally."

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# Rams senior Winston psyched to play as Duck

## Two-way star likes mix of academics, athletics UO offers

By TAYLOR FORD  
The Tribune

Stanford, UCLA or Oregon? As nationally recruited linebacker/wide receiver LaMar Winston of Central Catholic High debated which school to choose for college, he thought of more than football. Winston wanted to know what kind of education he could get, specifically in psychology.

"With Stanford, I knew I was going to get a great education psychology-wise and all, so Oregon really had to lay out every single step for what I'd get out of their psychology classes," he says.

Whatever the Ducks said was what Winston needed to hear.

The Rams senior recently committed to Oregon, but already he's thinking about a career beyond football (although not ruling out a stab at the pro game).

"My whole plan is just to see how it goes," he says. "I'm going there to get the degree first and then see what my chances are of going to the NFL. I don't have any dreams of going to the NFL. Initially I did, but I saw that wasn't for everybody."

"After I get my degree, I'm planning on making some way to give back to the community. I honestly want to be a shrink or something like that. Even if I do go to the NFL, I'm definitely going to get my psychology degree."

Winston says committing to a college before his senior year should help him focus on the tasks still at hand at Central Catholic.

"It takes off a lot of stress, because the recruiting process is hectic at times," he says. "It's a lot to hold on to and talk to coaches every day, and now I know who I'm talking to ... I don't need to



LaMar Winston, a senior football star both ways for Central Catholic High, is going to the University of Oregon to play football, and study psychology. TRIBUNE FILE PHOTO: JONATHAN HOUSE

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his mother and family to come see him play.

"I felt like Oregon was the best fit for me as far as location, academic support, academics and the athletics piece," Winston says.

Given his size (6-4, 200 pounds) and chiseled frame, Winston might be able to excel at Oregon on either side of the ball.

"They told me I could choose, but I'm leaning more toward linebacker," he says. "But they said they'll use my athletic abilities and versatility as much as they can, so I'm looking at possibly playing both (ways)."

During the recruiting process, Winston was able to develop relationships with multiple other U of O recruits, including Brady Breeze (Central Catholic), Theo Howard (Westlake High, Thousand Oaks, Calif.), and Seth Green (Allen High, Allen, Texas). Winston also got to connect with several current Oregon players, including Central Catholic alum Alex Balducci, a defensive lineman.

"He helped a lot," Winston says. "I got his number when I went to Oregon for an unofficial (visit) with Brady Breeze, and we talked. He was giving me information about the program as a player who has been there for a couple of years, telling me how he felt about the program. I'm excited about it."

talk to (the Ducks) every day because they know I'm committed for sure. I'm not going anywhere (else). They know our relationship and know where I stand."

And what a senior year it could be for Winston and coach Steve Pyne's Rams. Central Catholic has dominated high school football in the state for two years in a row.

"My goal is to win a state championship again," Winston says. "Get that three-peat and build a real strong bond with these seniors, because we've been playing together since freshman year. I want to leave with a brotherhood and more of a dynasty look at Central Catholic, making them a powerhouse."

The season starts for the Rams with an Aug. 28 jamboree at Oregon City. Central Catholic's season opener is Sept. 4 at Jesuit, and the playoffs run through the Class 6A title game on Dec. 5.

"To leave with a state championship would mean the world to me," Winston says. "I'm putting all my effort into that. I want to do it for the Central Catholic alumni, and not just myself and our team."

Eventually, it will be on to Eugene, which is close enough for



**Brooke Henderson of Smith Falls, Ontario, Canada won the LPGA Cambia Portland Classic on Sunday. Henderson shot a record 21-under-par 267 to win by eight strokes at Columbia Edgewater Country Club.**  
TRIBUNE PHOTO: DAVID BLAIR

# Eggers: 'Superstar' tag from Lydia Ko

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Falls, but father Dave caddied for her this week.

"It's been a blast," said the senior Henderson, who put in 31 years as an elementary school teacher before retiring. "It was just absolute fun for our family."

Brittany, 24, missed the cut at 74-75-149 but wouldn't have thought to leave after Friday's second round, not with little sis in contention.

"It's just crazy," said Brittany, who played the Portland Classic on a sponsor's exemption. "Brooke plays great golf. It's been just a great week. I'm kind of speechless right now. I know she has the talent, but I never expected her to win."

Their father — who has caddied for either Brooke or Brittany five or six times on the LPGA Tour this year — had a little different take.

"Everything has been going very well for Brooke since April," he said. "It's just been a matter of momentum. She's been hitting it very well, putting well, and she was hitting the driver extremely well this week. Our chances were as good as anybody's, and Brooke came through with solid play." Spectacular, I would offer. In 72 holes, the young lady from north of the border had 24 birdies and just three bogeys — one coming on the final hole when she just missed an 18-foot par putt. On Sunday, she was as cool as an Ontario snowstorm, adding to her lead instead of protecting it.

"The first time I felt nerves was on 18, and then afterward," she said, meaning the awards presentation.

And to think Henderson didn't even know if she was in the field until Monday, when she survived an 18-hole qualifier, gaining one of two spots with a 4-under 68. She went on to become the second qualifier ever to win an LPGA Tour event. I'm putting up mortgage money that no qualifier will ever do it again winning by eight shots.

"When I got here Saturday, I loved the course right from the start," Henderson told fans assembled around the 18th green as she accepted the \$195,000 champion's check. "I thought I could go low here, and I guess I was right."

Lydia Ko, the world's No. 2 ranked player from New Zealand, said she has played with Henderson a couple of times on the tour this year.

"She's a very solid player, a very powerful player," said Ko, who turned 18 in April. "That comes from her background playing ice hockey. She is very athletic."

"She is proving herself out here. I'm really excited for what she's doing right now. She had a great week. She is definitely a superstar on the LPGA Tour."

Funny thing is, though, Henderson is not a member of the LPGA Tour, which has an 18-year-old age limit. Her petition to LPGA Commissioner Mike Whan to participate in the circuit's qualifying school last fall was denied. Current members Ko and Lexi Thompson both gained tour cards before they were 18 after their petitions were accepted by Whan. How come?

"Both of those players petitioned me right after they won an LPGA event," Whan told me Sunday as he watched play just off the ninth green. "A lot of fans have asked, 'How did you not approve Brooke's petition to Q school?' Her LPGA playing resume last September had one top-20 finish — tied for 10th in the U.S. Women's Open. If you jump to today, she's a different player than she was then."

"She could petition me at any time. She could petition tomorrow in terms of asking for some type of membership. She could petition to ask, 'Could I become a member today? Could I become a member next season?' I don't offer cards; I reply to petition requests. She has petitioned to me twice in her career — once

to go to Q school last fall, which I denied, and once to become a Symetra (secondary) Tour member, which I approved. She has the right to petition me again."

Henderson will surely do that.

"Hopefully this week I can secure my card and be full-time on the tour for next year," Henderson told me Friday. "I'm not sure if that means accepting a card immediately or deferring to next year, but she's going to get what she wants."

"She's great for the future of the game," Whan said. "She's a special talent. I walked nine holes with her (Saturday). Every once in a while you see a player who is in that moment where all she sees is pins. She just didn't see any difficulty. Great kid; great family."

Henderson becomes the first Canadian winner on the LPGA Tour since Lorie Kane in 2001.

"I'm happy to bring one home for Canada," Henderson said. "All year, the Canadian support has been unbelievable. I'm sure my phone is blowing up pretty badly right now. I think this will be a big deal back home."

Henderson told me Friday she gives credit to Sharp, a 34-year-old from Hamilton, Ontario, who has become a friend and mentor.

"Brooke has said that more than once," said Sharp, who tied for 10th at 10-under 278. "She's just a humble kid. She's not all about Brooke. She's a very nice 17-year-old who acts so much more mature than her age. Her and her sister are both great kids to be around."

As a player, Sharp said, Brooke has "that go-for-broke attitude. No worries. When you get older, you're sometimes too much into thought."

"I hope she keeps going the way she plays and doesn't change a thing," said Sharp, who is likely to team with Henderson in representing Canada at the Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro next year. "Sometimes listening to too many people isn't a good thing. I know she's been told to change her swing. Why change it when it works?"

"And her game plan, the way she plays so aggressively with her driver. She hits her drives so straight all the time. I'm not hitting driver where she's hitting driver, but she likes doing that, and that's good. That's what you have to do — stick to your gut."

Henderson said she took her game to a new level this week.

"Everything was together," she said. "Even (Saturday) I was hitting the ball really well. A couple of shots I didn't hit perfect, but I got lucky bounces and had birdie putts and made them. It was a great week. My game has been at a great level all season, but this week it all came together and I was able to go low."

Henderson said she had been dreaming of this moment for some time.

"When I was a little girl, I always pictured the fans around the green and watching another player putt," she said. When she was on the 18th hole Sunday, Henderson said, "I thought, 'This is pretty cool. I'm right where I want to be, playing on the LPGA Tour.' What I've been saying all year is that when I have opportunities, I want to take when I take advantage of them. I really did that this week."

Henderson added her name to a Portland Classic championship trophy that has 23 Hall-of-Famers on it, all-time greats such as JoAnne Carner, Kathy Whitworth, Judy Rankin, Nancy Lopez, Annika Sorenstam and Lorena Ochoa. Henderson did it in such dominating fashion, it made the tournament fascinating to watch.

"It was not close in a good way," said Rob Neal, executive director for Tournament Golf Foundation, which runs the event.

I know exactly what he means.  
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## History

Aug. 18-19, 1989

University of Oregon football fans are saying the Ducks will go as far as junior quarterback Bill Musgrave takes them. The Ducks were 6-1 the year before



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when Musgrave broke his collarbone; they went 0-5 without him.

The Fred Meyer Challenge is back at Portland Golf Club, with Jake Trout and the Flounders (host Peter Jacobsen, PGA champion Payne Stewart and fellow golf pro Mark Lye) set to perform as part of the festivities.

Oh, and the best-ball field includes Arnold Palmer, Lee Trevino, Fred Couples, Raymond Floyd, Fuzzy Zoeller, Chi Chi Rodriguez, Craig Stadler, Ben Crenshaw and more.



**Jamar Howard extends for a touchdown catch in the Portland Thunder's 55-28 loss to the San Jose SaberCats in the Arena Football League playoffs.**  
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## StatusReport

**Timbers:** With seconds left in stoppage time last Saturday, former Real Salt Lake defender Nat Borchers headed in a corner kick to give Portland a 1-0 victory at RSL. Next: an 8 p.m. Friday home match versus Houston.

**Thorns:** Portland is down to its final three games in a quest for one of four NWSL playoff spots. The Thorns play at 4 p.m. PT Saturday at Sky Blue in Piscataway Township, N.J.

**Thunder:** Portland, seeded fourth in the Arena Football League National Conference, lost at No. 1 San Jose 55-28 in the first round of the playoffs. The Thunder had their moments — Duane Brooks returned a third-quarter kickoff 54 yards for a touchdown, the defensive line put good pressure on San Jose veteran QB Erik Meyer, and Jamar Howard, playing for only the second time after an early-season knee injury, hauled in a game-high eight catches, two for TDs. But San Jose began to pull away in the second quarter and advanced to the Final Four.

## MainEvents

Tuesday, Aug. 18

**Softball:** Little League Softball World Series, Alpenrose Dairy, games at 9 a.m. (fifth pool play-off), 3:30 p.m. (semifinal, ESPN2), 7 p.m. (semifinal, ESPN2)  
**Mariners:** Seattle at Texas, 5 p.m. (Root Sports)  
**Hops:** Hillsboro at Salem-Keizer, 6:30 p.m.  
**College women's soccer:** Fraser Valley-Portland State, exhibition, Hillsboro Stadium, noon  
**Golf:** Northwest Open Invitational,

round two of three, Wine Valley Golf Club, Walla Walla, Wash.

Wednesday, Aug. 19

**Softball:** Little League Softball World Series, Alpenrose Dairy, games at 9 a.m. (fourth pool play-off), 11:30 a.m. (third pool play-off), 2 p.m. (third place), 6 p.m. (championship, ESPN2)  
**Mariners:** Seattle at Texas, 11 a.m. (Root Sports)  
**Hops:** Hillsboro at Salem-Keizer, 6:30 p.m.  
**Golf:** Northwest Open Invitational, final round, Wine Valley Golf Club, Walla Walla, Wash.

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Tuesday, Aug. 18

**Softball:** Little League Softball World Series, Alpenrose Dairy semifinals 3:30 p.m., 7 p.m., ESPN2  
**Mariners:** Seattle at Texas, 5 p.m., Root Sports, KMTT (910 AM)  
**MLB:** San Francisco at St. Louis, 5 p.m., KUIK (1360 AM)  
**Hops:** Hillsboro at Salem-

Keizer, 6:30 p.m., KPOJ (620 AM)

Wednesday, Aug. 19

**Softball:** Little League Softball World Series, Alpenrose Dairy, championship 6 p.m., ESPN2  
**Mariners:** Seattle at Texas, 11 a.m., Root Sports, KMTT (910 AM)  
**MLB:** San Francisco at St. Louis, 4 p.m., KUIK (1360 AM) ... Detroit at Chicago Cubs, 5 p.m., ESPN  
**Hops:** Hillsboro at Salem-Keizer, 6:30 p.m., KPOJ (620 AM)

## Birthdays

Aug. 18, 1960

Lafayette "Fat" Lever (age 55)

The native of Pine Bluff, Ark., was a 6-3 point guard for the Trail Blazers from 1982-84, after Portland took him out of Arizona State with the No. 11



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Aug. 19, 1987

Patrick Chung (age 28)

The New England Patriots safety played for the Oregon Ducks before hitting the NFL in 2009. He was born in Kingston, Jamaica, and grew up in Rancho Cucamonga, Calif.



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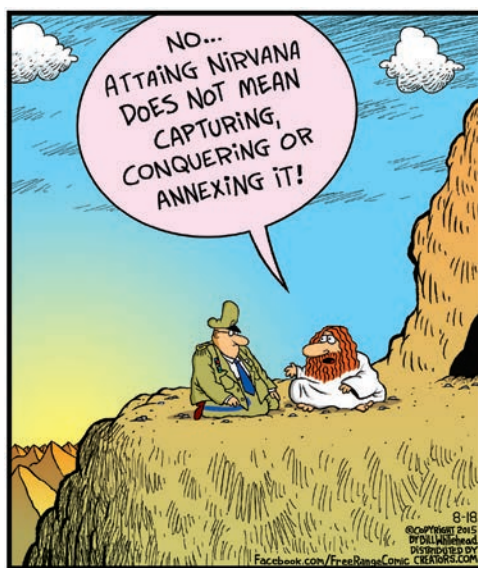


"You think about dormers too much."



From time to time, Larry likes to get out in the wide-open spaces.

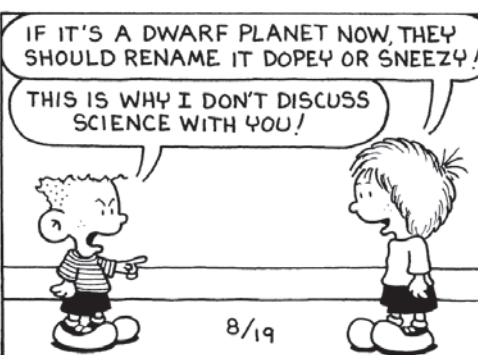
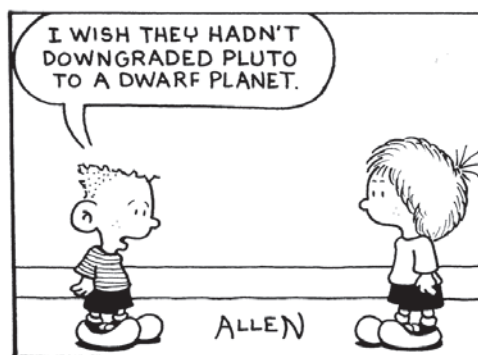
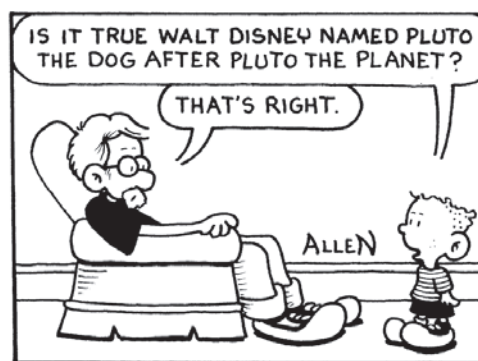
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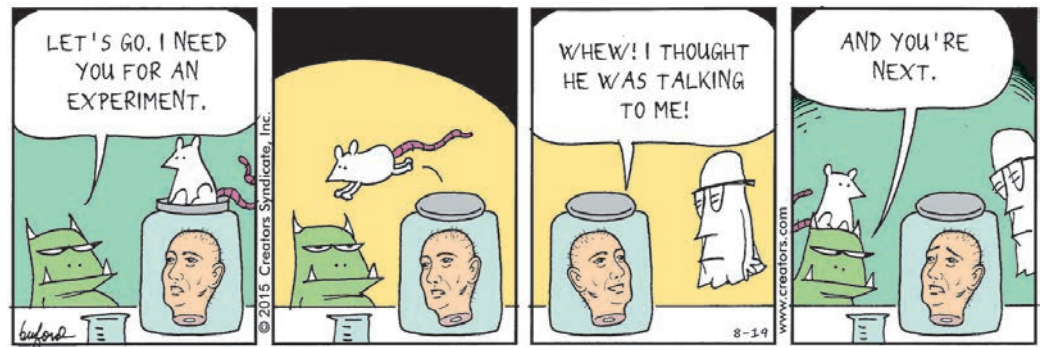
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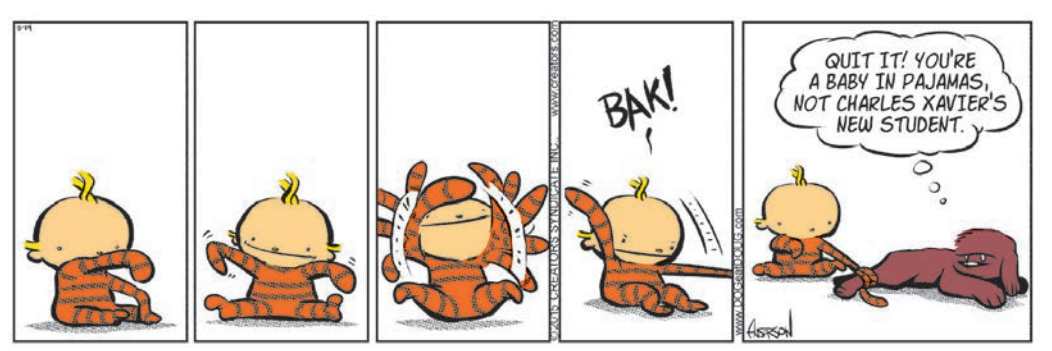
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Admission to the event is FREE, but performances are limited to ticket-holders only. Free tickets will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis at the theatre beginning at 1 p.m. on Sunday Dec. 13th. All the guests are encouraged to bring donations of canned food for benefit the Oregon Food Bank.

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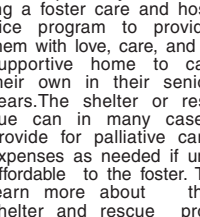
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# A new wrinkle in aging

Among the traditional rites at high-school reunions and similar events is the universal assessment of attendees who have hardly seemed to age and those who have, well, gotten “really old.”

Scientists are not immune to such observations. The Dunedin Study in New Zealand has tracked the lives of 1,000 Dunedin residents, all born in 1972 or 1973, regularly measuring 18 biological factors, from dental health to liver function. Duke University researchers tapped the database to determine whether the rate of aging actually varied among individuals.

**Their conclusion: Yep.**

They found that the “biological age” often diverged substantially from actual age. Though everyone in the Dunedin Study was 38 years old, some had the cardiovascular fitness level, lung capacity, immune system, etc., of people much younger or much older. Some participants were aging three biological years every year.

And here’s the kicker: The scientists asked a group of Duke undergraduates to assess facial portraits of study participants and rate how young or old they appeared. The students found

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that participants whose bodies were biologically aging faster on the inside also looked older on the outside.

The one possible saving grace: Twenty-somethings think everybody looks old.

**Body of knowledge**

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— Source: “The Excruciating History of Dentistry,” by James Wynbrandt

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“Your mother’s side or your father’s?” asked the doctor.

“Neither,” replied the patient. “My wife.”

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Getting the advice of your physician prior to getting a vaccination is always a good idea.

# Vaccinations can benefit young and old alike

By SCOTT KEITH  
The Tribune

ALL ABOUT ADULT VACCINATIONS

**The thought of a nurse sticking you in the arm with a needle isn’t the most appealing.**

But whether you’re a child, or you’re well into your senior years, vaccines are available to help us lead healthier lives.

Vaccines are not without controversy. The issue of medical and non-medical exemptions to childhood vaccinations has been well documented.

Whatever your feelings, it’s always wise to talk vaccinations with your primary care doctor, and infant vaccinations can even be discussed while you’re still pregnant.

Dr. Oana Enea, a pediatrician with The Portland Clinic, sees youngsters from birth until the late teens.

“We provide all of the required and recommended vaccines for children,” Enea said. “We try to do this during our scheduled Well Child Exams (similar to adult physicals), but also schedule shot-only visits for children catching up or completing series.”

Enea is well aware that some parents have strong feelings about vaccines.

“Some are concerned about the recent anti-vaccine movement and how this affects their child who is following the recommended schedule,” she said. “The most common concerns of vaccine-hesitant parents are their belief that the children are getting too many shots too early, questions about the contents of the vaccines or fear of its link to certain diseases.”

Before age one, Enea said needed vaccinations are those that protect against Hepatitis B, diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis, polio, rotavirus, haemophilus influenza Type B and pneumococcal. At age one, vaccines are measles-mumps-rubella, chickenpox and Hepatitis A. By ages 4 or 5, Enea said, they complete the required number

of shots in each of the above vaccine series, just in time to go to preschool or kindergarten.

Vaccinations don’t end in childhood, they are offered throughout life. For example, older people are at a higher risk for complications from a variety of infectious diseases.

Vaccinations are not on the radar screen for some adults.

“From a patient’s perspective, there are some people who regularly decline either a specific or an entire selection of vaccinations,” Dr. John Martin, with The Portland Clinic in Downtown Portland, said, adding there may be legitimate reasons to avoid a vaccine, such as an allergy to a component of the vaccine.

“Almost all serious vaccine side effects are exceedingly rare,” Martin pointed out. “They do exist. There are cases where people have had well documented reactions.”

Another factor that could keep an adult from getting vaccinated is, Martin said, “mistrust generated by misinformation that has grown popular in recent years.”

While the pros and cons of vaccinations can spark lively debate, for some, an individual’s immune system becomes a factor in deciding whether to be vaccinated. Martin said an immune response, after a vaccination is given, can result in a feeling of malaise.

This feeling of malaise is a natural immune response to the vaccine. Martin added, “Persons with chronic medi-

tory infection that can lead to severe breathing problems, especially in infants. Pertussis first appears like an ordinary cold, but then causes intense, uncontrollable coughing spells. A “whoop” noise is heard when the person tries to take a breath after coughing.”

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (cdc.gov) says, “Every adult should get the Tdap vaccine once if they did not receive it as an adolescent to protect against pertussis (whooping cough), and then a Td (tetanus, diphtheria) booster shot every 10 years. In addition, women should get the Tdap vaccine each time they are pregnant, preferably at 27 through 36 weeks.”

Talk with your doctor about vaccines, including flu, hpv (human papillomavirus), pneumonia and shingles vaccines.

ally proven and documented immune system problems should discuss which vaccines to receive with their doctors.”

When it comes to flu season, some make the argument they get the flu after a flu shot. Not so, according to Martin.

“In general, as long as you follow the guidelines, it’s really not a concern,” Martin said. “I think what people are experiencing is the symptoms of their immune system reacting to the vaccination as it should. Generally, any time you introduce certain immune signals to the body, there is a response that’s set off.”

This can result in a non-specific response, such as feeling run down or feverish. “In this case, it’s not an infection with the flu vaccine. It’s simply your body ramping up its immune response. Ultimately it’s a good sign you’re going to be developing an immunity,” Martin said.

“Ironically, we don’t think of vaccines as vital anymore because we live in a society that generally has extinguished or dramatically reduced the frequency of the illnesses they prevent,” Martin said.

Noting the importance of keeping illnesses from re-emerging, Martin added, “I assure you that persons living in countries or communities without the luxury of vaccinations are hungry for the protections they provide.”

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# Providence earns nationwide recognition for stroke care

They know every second counts, and when it comes to stroke, the neurointerventional team at Providence St. Vincent Medical Center offers some of the best care in the nation.

For the past two months, the stroke team led by Vivek Deshmukh, M.D., neurosurgeon and neurointerventionalist, achieved the fastest average blood clot removal time in the country. During the months of June and July, it took the team an average of 24 minutes to insert a catheter into a patient’s groin and remove a blood clot in the brain, thereby restoring blood flow.

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“We have worked hard and are incredibly proud of this accomplishment,” said Dr. Deshmukh, co-medical director of Providence Brain and Spine Institute, and medical director of neurosurgery and neurointerventional services. “The faster we remove a blood clot in the brain, the more likely our patient will go on to live a normal life.”

“The speed at which Dr.

Deshmukh and his team complete this highly complex critical procedure is a testament to their expertise and the high level of efficiency of the Stroke Center at Providence St. Vincent Medical Center,” said Mike Schmitt, executive director Providence Brain and Spine Institute. “We recruited Dr. Deshmukh to Portland to join our team of neuroscience specialists with the goal of making Providence Brain and Spine Institute the premier destination for treatment of stroke and other neurological disorders.”

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MovieTime

By JASON VONDERSMITH  
The Tribune

Big screen

Last week, Aug. 14  
“The Man From U.N.C.L.E.”;  
“The End of the Tour”; “Underdogs”; “Straight Outta Compton”

This week, Aug. 21  
“Hitman: Agent 47” (20th Century Fox), R, 92 minutes

About — A woman gets the help of an assassin to find her father and uncover family history; Stars — Angelababy, Dan Bakkedahl, Charlene Beck, Michael Bornhutter; Director — Aleksander Bach

“American Ultra” (Lionsgate), R, 97 minutes

About — A well-trained stoner is a government agent, and too good to get rid of; Stars — Kristen Stewart, Jesse Eisenberg, Topher Grace, Monique Ganderton; Director — Nima Nourizadeh

Next week  
“No Escape” (Aug. 26); “We Are Your Friends” (Aug. 28)

Movies in the Park

Activities start at 6:30 p.m., movies at dusk:

Wednesday, Aug. 19: “Mary Poppins,” Wellington Park, N.E. 66th/Skidmore

Thursday, Aug. 20: “E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial,” Brooklyn Park, S.E. Milwaukie/Haig

Friday, Aug. 21: “The Wizard of Oz,” Laurelhurst Park, S.E. 37th/Oak

Saturday, Aug. 22: “Cinderella” (2015), Sewallcrest Park, S.E. 31st/Market

Home rentals

The latest top 10 digital movie purchases based on transaction rate, by Rentrak:

1. “Insurgent”
  2. “Get Hard”
  3. “The Longest Ride”
  4. “Paul Blart: Mall Cop 2”
  5. “Kingsman: The Secret Service”
  6. “Home”
  7. “American Sniper”
  8. “The Duff”
  9. “The Second Best Exotic Mari-gold Hotel”
  10. “Before We Go”
- Other recent favorites: “Focus”; “Interstellar”

Doc spotlight

“How to Change the World”

The critically acclaimed, award-winning documentary comes to theaters, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 9, presented by Fathom Events and Picturehouse Entertainment. It’s a documentary about the early days of the modern eco-movement. It’ll be shown at: Cedar Hills Crossing 16, 3200 S.W. Hocken Ave., Beaverton; Clackamas Town Center with XD, 12000 S.E. 82nd Ave.; Century 16 Eastport, 4040 S.E. 82nd Ave.; Lloyd Center 10 with IMAX, 1510 N.E. Multnomah St. For tickets: fathomevents.com.

Upcoming event

We’ll have more later, but make plans for the third annual Portland Film Festival, Sept. 1-7 at seven venues around the city. It’ll feature 80 narrative and documentary feature films and 134 short films. There’ll be juried and audience awards given for top feature documentary and narrative feature. The opening documentary is “GRU-PDX” from Brazil and director Daniel Barosa, about Brazilian indie band Quarto Negro making its second album in Portland. The opening narrative is “Birds of Neptune” from the U.S., director Daniel Steven Richter and screenwriters Steven Richter, Flavia Rocha and Michael Lea, about two sisters living along in their Portland childhood house trying to keep secrets intact. For a full festival lineup and ticket info: portlandfilmfestival.com.

Milk bottle mania



One room in the Forest Grove home of Carl Ott is dedicated to part of his large collection of milk bottles and caps.

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People collect all kinds of things — all the state quarters, rare stamps, or maybe just a pile of souvenirs hauled home from summer vacation. But when it comes to collections, Carl Ott of Forest Grove is in a class by himself.

Over the past four decades Ott, 79, has collected tens of thousands of antique milk bottles, at one point claiming to own the largest array in Oregon. What remains of the cache now is relegated to a back room in his house, where shelves from floor to ceiling hold bottles of all kinds — some a century old.

Ott estimates he once owned between 50,000 and 75,000 bottles and caps.

The collection includes bottles from old Oregon dairies — as nearby as Forest Grove and Hillsboro. But Ott has bottles from other places, too, such as Japan, and rare ones from Alaska.

Out of all the items he could have started collecting, why bottles? The collection has its roots in something significant to Ott. He started it when his grandparents sold their farm, Kin-naman Farms, to the Beaverton School District in 1965.

After the farm changed hands, Ott brought some of the bottles home as a keepsake, and the project grew from there, with Ott frequenting flea markets and antique shows.

“Every four years they had a big convention. We went to Vegas, we went to Reno, we went to California. They’d put a big booth up, and they’d have bottles for sale and caps and stuff,” Ott said.

— Christine Menges

PHAME: Professional actors serve as mentors

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shows for shorter periods of time, Dart says, but this is the first time that they’ve joined for the entire process, start to finish. The original idea was that the professional performers could provide direct support and guidance on stage, but, ultimately, that wasn’t what was needed from them. Rather than coaches, they’ve acted as mentors, and are holistically involved in the PHAME community — a community so safe and welcoming that it feels like family.

“One of the things I like is the people that I meet. I also like the fact that it gives people with different disabilities the chance to act and interact,” says Estin Kiger, a PHAME member for more than 20 years. “It’s fun getting to meet new people and do different



Keith Sanders of Beaverton has made friends and had fun working with PHAME.

PAMPLIN MEDIA GROUP: JONATHAN HOUSE

things. We become a close-knit family.”

For Keith Sanders, a Beaverton resident and 2011 Sunset High graduate, PHAME has been one of his favorite outlets after high school, and a place where he’s found many of his friends. Though Sanders is traditionally a singer, “Up the

Fall” is his first time participating in a play with PHAME, a new avenue he wanted to try after remembering the joy he felt acting in a play years ago.

“It’s actually really fun to do. It calms your nerves sometimes,” says Sanders, 22. “I’m doing something different that I’ve never done.”

During a rehearsal at the Oregon Children’s Theatre just two weeks before the show’s opening night, Sanders and his fellow actors certainly didn’t look like novices or students. They performed their lines with intent. As Horror, one of three Graeae sisters in the play, Sanders is all wide eyes and harsh voice, entirely embodying the spooky character he’s set to play.

“Acting is also a world of pretending, as well. You’re always acting it out, acting out the scene, and knowing the scene. It’s a lot to remember, because you have to put it with steps and whatnot, and say the right words,” Sanders says. “I just tell myself I’m gonna do good, and I just do it.”

Complete with original music, the actors also perform songs in the play — one element of the show that viewers

might need to bring tissues for as they witness the raw emotion that’s produced on stage.

Regarding one of the more heart-wrenching numbers, Sanders says, “It’s sweet. It’s a very sweet song. Being able to make the audience cry, it’s a good thing to do. It’s a good thing to cry when you’re happy; it’s a good thing to cry to tell how you’re feeling. I’m just trying to show it off.”

Occasional tears aside, “Up the Fall” is an amusing show that bounces between life in Portland and a magical realm on the brink of collapse. Even without a set or costumes during rehearsal, the story bounds to life with ease as the actors wholeheartedly adopt their roles.

“I like to express myself in things that I do,” Sanders says, “and this is a pretty fun place to do it.”

Kelly:

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mobiles, computers, Sticky Notes, LED lights, no-iron shirts and all kinds of ethnic foods that didn’t exist back then.

You have to understand that pizza was new when I was in high school, and the only Chinese food available came in combinations like No. 1, No. 2, No. 3, etc. We certainly didn’t have Thai food, Indian food, Italian or Greek food. And when I was young, the sign at McDonald’s said, “Over 1,000 served.”

Things have changed a lot. Take inflation. When I was a kid, gasoline was about 30 cents a gallon, and when there were gas wars, it would go down under 20 cents. I heard once that at the Shell station in Philomath during the summer of ‘61, gas was free.

In those days, a chocolate milkshake at the Shake Shop

across the street from school was 25 cents. A malt was 30, but what a waste of a nickel, right? Must be nice to have that extra 5 cents to blow, I used to think.

I didn’t own a car when I was in school, but I had a small motorcycle. My 80-cc Yamaha cost \$325 and that was a lot of moolah. Of course, I could drive it for a good 250 miles on a tank of gas — and because gas was so cheap, I was living the good life back then, I’ll have you know.

It’d be fun to ride a motorcycle to my class reunion, but I don’t have one any longer. In fact, when I came home from the Navy, the Yamaha was up in the attic in a box. All my brothers would tell me about it was, “Mistakes were made.”

I loved that little bike, though.

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Noon - Chalk the Walk	4:00 - Cruise In Trophy	

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JUST ANOTHER POINT OF VIEW

## 50-year school reunion? Can't be

You might think I'm making this up, but my 50-year high school reunion is coming up.

I know what you're thinking — how could somebody as young as me be that long out of high school, right?

Well, now it can be told. I was 7 years old when I graduated.

Yep, I started school at 3 and raced through 12 years of primary and secondary curriculum in a measly four years.

There were some difficulties, of course, being that much younger than my classmates.

I did get beat up a lot — and not only because I was such a dweeb and a crybaby. I also was really, really smart, and let's face it, our society does not value extremely high intelligence that much.

I spent a lot of my school years digging myself out of garbage cans. But did I learn anything from those experiences? Hell no. Because I was known for my nimble wit and sharp tongue, I would immediately start giving the guy who stuffed me into the trash bin a ration of crap — which almost never had the desired effect. Usually, I was just redeposited, with even more force.

Because I sped through 2 1/2 to three years of education per school year, I was still 5 when I graduated from junior high school and didn't hit age 6 until I was already a sophomore.

It was really hard making the basketball team in high school (which was my ultimate goal), primarily because I didn't hit 4 feet tall until my senior year — but it didn't help that I was an extremely mediocre basketball player.

I was a good dribbler and that was about it. I always had strict orders from the coach (as well as all of the players and most of the people in the stands), under any circumstances, not to shoot the ball. I did anyway, but never successfully. It's really quite a miracle I made the team at all, but it was a very small school, and I had so much love for the game they couldn't deny me the chance to suit up.

I was sort of like Rudy, only not as big or physical.

Anyway, we have the big Five-O coming up in a couple of weeks, and I can't wait to see the old gang.

Five years ago I was asked to be the keynote speaker at the 45th reunion, and I admitted then that I used to pretend to have all kinds of different girlfriends, though I never actually talked to any of them about it. They were just girlfriends in my head.

You know, your weird uncle would ask, "Hey, kid. How many girlfriends do you have now?" — and I'd say, nonchalant as you please, "Four." Then I'd rattle off their names, sometimes they were actual girls I knew, sometimes just fictitious ones that seemed to me like they'd be hotties, like Trixie Laboob or Sally Wigglebutt.

Only once did I make a move to get a real girl to like me. It was on the school bus, and I passed a note to Joan Raymond that said, "I like you; do you like me? Check one: yes / no."

Trouble is, the note was intercepted by Harold Smalley, who announced to everyone on the bus that I liked Joan Raymond. As I recall, he used a bullhorn to spread that news. Needless to say, that day I rode all the way to school curled up under the seat in the fetal position, and I maintained a largely monklike, no-girlfriend status until long after graduation.

I must say, I'm very much looking forward to seeing everyone from my graduating class, mainly because they'll all be really old now, and I'll only be moderately old.

So much has changed since we left high school in 1965. Almost all the houses where I'm from now have indoor plumbing, running water and electricity. We also now have auto-

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## WHEN ACTING ITSELF



Jacob Orr plays Ratatoskr in the PHAME production of "Up the Fall," which opens Aug. 22 at Artists Repertory Theatre's Morrison Stage. PAMPLIN MEDIA GROUP PHOTOS: JONATHAN HOUSE

## TAKES CENTER STAGE

### PHAME's 'Up the Fall' pairs pro, local actors, some with disabilities

By CAITLIN FELDMAN  
Pamplin Media Group

"All right, can we start to focus?" Director Matthew Zrebski asked the cast of 20 actors, and chatter immediately ceased. "Stress doesn't help us at all. Frustration doesn't either. I understand it, but let's try to move past it."

Zrebski referenced a previous rehearsal where stress was visible on the actors' faces. Forming a circle, he had them collectively inhale, then exhale. Inhale. Exhale. Some closed their eyes, seemingly focusing inward before their two-hour rehearsal for the premiere of "Up the Fall" began.

Presented by PHAME, a Portland nonprofit for people ages 17 and older with developmental disabilities, "Up the Fall" is an original play written by Oregon playwright Debbie Lamedman and songwriter Laura Gibson. The production's cast features actors both with and without disabilities. "Up the Fall" will premiere on Saturday, Aug. 22, and run through Aug. 29 at the Artists Repertory Theatre's Morrison Stage in Portland (phamepdx.org, artistsrep.org). While PHAME is decades old, "Up the Fall" marks the organization's first production on this grand a scale — a big show on a big stage, written specifically for the actors who will

bring it to life.

"This is the kind of work we'd like to help our students create — being able to go to the playwright, saying that a specific actor is having a problem with a certain line and asking how we can change it, yet maintain its integrity," says Artistic Director Jessica Dart. "Having that be a collaborative process — it was born out of that idea. What can we do to make this a really great experience for adults who have disabilities?"

The process began two years ago, when Dart and Music Director Matthew Gailey began considering which artists they wanted to have commission the work. In the past, most large-scale PHAME productions were more traditional Broadway musicals, and Dart says they wanted something different, something that would speak to their students more directly. With that came the inclusion of three professional actors, who have been involved with rehearsals since they began in June.

"We really like the idea of inclusion," Dart says. "The days are gone when this is something for people with disabilities only, and that other performances are for everybody else. We've moved past that."

In the past, guest actors joined

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"Up the Fall" also includes (left) some actors with disabilities. (Below, from left) the play's Graeae sisters are played by Clara Hillier, Lea Mulligan and Keith Sanders.



### Bits & Pieces

By JASON VONDERSMITH  
The Tribune

#### Danish notables

The Oregon Ballet Theatre welcomes Amy Watson, a dancer from the Royal Danish Ballet, as a guest artist for its upcoming production of "Amore Italiano," which includes the company premiere of "Napoli, Act 3."

Frank Anderson, a former Royal Danish Ballet artistic director, has been retained to stage the work. He's considered an expert in the work of Danish choreographer August Bournonville, who created "Napoli" in the mid-1800s. Anderson and the Scan Design Foundation



Amy Watson (left, with partner), a principal dancer with the Royal Danish Ballet, will join the Oregon Ballet Theatre for its "Amore Italiano" show, Oct. 10-17 at Keller Auditorium. COURTESY: DAVID AMZALLAG

sponsored six OBT dancers to attend the Bournonville Summer Academy in Copenhagen.

Watson will dance in "Napoli" as well as "Sub Rosa," by visiting choreographer James Kudelka. An American, she joined the Royal Danish Ballet in 2000, worked up to principal

dancer and, in 2011, she received the Order of the Dannebrog from Queen Margrethe II of Denmark.

#### 'Mercury Half-Life'

Anne Mueller, former OBT principal dancer and interim artistic director, already has

made an impact with The Portland Ballet. She has helped acquire the Portland rights to perform Trey McIntyre's "Mercury Half-Life," set to the music of Queen, scheduled for May 2016.

Mueller was a founding member of Trey McIntyre Project and a past managing director.

#### Record grants

The Oregon Cultural Trust has awarded a record \$2.6 million in grants to partners, coalitions and organizations, up 30 percent from last year and topping \$2 million for the first time. Large chunks went to the Oregon Arts Commission, Oregon Heritage Commission, Oregon Humanities, Oregon Historical Society, and State Historical Preservation Office. Of the dozens of organizations receiving grants, five received \$35,000: All Classical Public Media, Inc.;

Oregon Public Broadcasting; Oregon Symphony; Portland Center Stage; Portland Opera Association.

#### 'ZooZoo'

Imago Theatre has postponed its plans to stage "La Belle, Lost in the World of the Automaton," because of the complexity of the show, until December 2016.

But the theater company is bringing back "ZooZoo," Dec. 11 through Jan. 3 (tickets available at ticketwest.com), before it heads off on its final national tour.

"La Belle" is chartering a new course for Imago and we're leaving behind the special world of mask theater, which has been our forte for several decades. It will be a sad goodbye," says Jerry Mouawad, co-artistic director.