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FISH RELEASE AT BLOSSOM GULCH - On Monday, May 11th at 10:30 a.m. at the Blossom Gulch Elementary School (located at 333 S. 10th St., Coos Bay), the City of Coos Bay together with associates from CH2M Hill/OMI, and the Oregon Dept. of Fish and Wildlife will team up to release approximately 250,000 juvenile chinook salmon into Blossom Gulch. This is an annual event which began in 1998. The program allows the iuvenile salmon to live in Blossom Creek where CH2M Hill/OMI staff members feed them several times a day for a few months until they are ready to be released from the creek and eventually make their way out to the bay and the Pacific Ocean. They will wander the Pacific until they return to spawn in 3 - 4 years This annual event has greatly enhanced the local averaging 20-40 pounds. recreational fishing opportunities and provides an excellent outreach to the local school children. There will be over 100 Blossom Gulch elementary school children on hand to witness the release and cheer them on. To date, several million chinook salmon have been released and countless have returned to enhance the bay and local estuary.

<u>CHECK THEM OUT BEFORE THEY SET SAIL</u> – The Lady Washington and the Hawaiian Chieftain will be setting sail in just a few short days. Don't miss out on the following Festival of Sail activities planned for this weekend which include dockside tours, sailing adventures, battle reenactments, a vendor market, the "Oh Ship! Pub Crawl," and much, much more. For additional information on the listed events go to <a href="https://www.coosbaydowntown.org">www.coosbaydowntown.org</a>.

<u>CELEBRATE NATIONAL TRAIN DAY</u> - Oregon Coast Historical Railway will be celebrating the fifth annual Amtrak National Train Day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at the group's museum and display area at 766 S. First St. (US 101 North) in Coos Bay. The free open house will feature new displays along with food and refreshments.

**3RD ANNUAL BAY AREA BRIGADE A BIG SUCCESS** - Thank you to all who participated in the 3rd Annual Bay Area Brigade on Saturday, May 2nd! The Brigade volunteers were spotted all along Highway 101 from Bunkerhill to the North Bend Bridge picking up garbage and cleaning up in preparation for National Tourism Week 2015. In all, over 100 bags of trash was collect!

MOVIE SHOWING AT THE LIBRARY – Tuesday, May 12th the movie Majestic Montana will be playing at the Library as part of their Armchair Adventure film program. The film starts at 2:00 pm and will be shown in the Myrtlewood Room. As an added bonus, refreshments will be provided! For more information call the Library at 541-269-1101.

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Fire Department (541) 269-1191

Library (541) 269-1101

Community Development Department (541) 269-8918 or (541) 269-8924

Public Works Department (541) 269-8918

Finance Department (541) 269-8915

City Manager's Office (541) 269-8912 **GEESE SURVEY** - Over the years, owners of (pet?) domesticated geese have released them into the Mingus Park Pond. These geese will on occasion display aggressive behavior toward park visitors. The City has received reports of people being bitten. Having received several recent complaints about the behavior of the geese, the City Council considered the issue at their April 21, 2015 meeting. The Council requested additional information be gathered about the geese in Mingus Park prior to making a decision.

To assist the City Council, please respond to the survey questions at the following website: <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Mingusparkgeese">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Mingusparkgeese</a> as well as through a link on the City's website; <a href="http://coosbay.org/archive/news-entry/mingus-park-geese-survey">http://coosbay.org/archive/news-entry/mingus-park-geese-survey</a>

CROSSWALK ENFORCEMENT - The Coos Bay Police Department will be conducting a Pedestrian Safety Operation on May 14th. The operation will be conducted at the intersection of Newmark Ave. and Cammann St. between the hours of 7:30 am and 10:00 am.



The focus of this operation is to raise pedestrian safety awareness of drivers and pedestrians through education and enforcement of pedestrian right-of-way laws.

## What is the law?

A crosswalk exists at any public street intersection, whether marked with paint or unmarked. Crosswalks also exist between intersections (mid-block) only if they are marked with white painted lines.

Under Oregon laws, a driver has specific duties to a pedestrian in a crosswalk, whether marked or unmarked. Here's what you need to know:

When turning at a traffic signal, drivers must:

• Stop and remain stopped for pedestrians until they have cleared the lane your vehicle is turning into and at least 6 feet of the next lane.

At any other crosswalks – whether marked with paint or unmarked – drivers must:

- Stop and remain stopped for pedestrians until they have cleared the lane in which you are traveling (or into which you are turning) and the next lane.
- Stop and remain stopped for students as you are directed by a crossing guard
- Stop and remain stopped for a blind pedestrian using a white cane or a guide dog until the pedestrian is completely across the roadway.
- Also, when drivers approach another vehicle from the rear that is stopped at a marked or unmarked intersection to permit a pedestrian to cross the roadway, the driver must not overtake and pass the stopped vehicle.

Safety is everyone's responsibility. Pedestrians are reminded that before entering any crosswalk, Stop, Look and, Listen.