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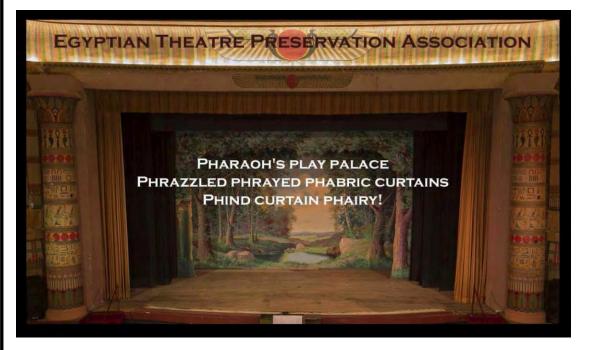
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## August 14, 2015

**EGYPTIAN THEATRE SCORES \$2,000 IN HAIKU CONTEST** – The Oregon Community Foundation offered a "Haiku" challenge to charitable organizations last month. The challenge was to write a compelling 17 syllable grant proposal and to post their Haiku grant proposal on their Facebook page before July 27<sup>th</sup>. One of the many projects the Egyptian Theatre Preservation Association has been working on is to replace the nearly 90 year old tattered stage curtain, so the ETPA challenged its members to write a Haiku grant proposal to replace the curtain.

The members of the ETPA were up to the challenge as a number of draft proposals were sent into the ETPA for consideration. The ETPA chose to submit the following Haiku written by long-time member Helen Doving:



The ETPA was informed earlier this week that they had been awarded \$2,000 (third place). This award, along with the \$6,000 they had resided to date for this project, gets them to the 80% needed to purchase and replace the curtain.

Well done!!!

**FIREFIGHTERS SPRUCE UP THE EMPIRE FIRE STATION** - This week, firefighters were working on giving the Empire Fire Hall a fresh coat of paint. City of Coos Bay Public Works personnel helped the Department last week by replacing damaged siding and sealing cracks in the building and around the windows.

The fire station was built in 1954, and it originally served as the City Hall for Empire City. It housed the City council chambers and all city services including Police, Finance, Public Works, and Fire. With the merger of Empire City and Coos Bay, the building was left to the Fire Department. The station is now staffed by two firefighters every day. Firefighters respond to an average of just over 1200 emergencies from the station each year or roughly 3.25 emergencies each day.

The 62 year old structure is definitely showing its age, but the exterior particularly takes a beating from the salty marine air and strong winds that are common in the Empire District.

We are hopeful that the caulking will keep moisture out and the paint will improve the aesthetics of the building for the neighborhood.



Fire Station No. 2, 189 S. Wall St.

<u>CELEBRATING LONGEVITY AND ONGOING SUCCESS</u> - Two thumbs up for Knutson Towboat Company and Sause Bros. for their longevity and continued success.



Today Sause Bros. celebrates the recommissioning of the tug Black Hawk.





Tomorrow celebrates 100 years of continued service for Kuntson Towboat Company.



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## The 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Blackberry Arts Festival is next weekend!

Saturday 9am – 6pm & Sunday 10am – 4pm in Downtown Coos Bay

- Arts
- Crafts
- Jewelry
- Soaps
- Entertainment
- Blackberry Treats

- Stained Glass
- Food
- Photography
- Painting
- Pottery
- And More



For more information call 541-266-9706 or go to the Coos Bay Downtown Association's website at <u>www.coosbaydowntown.org</u>

**AREA-WIDE DISASTER DRILL IMPROVES COMMUNICATION** - Both the Coos Bay Police and Fire Departments participated in a multi-agency disaster drill this past Wednesday. This all day event brought together representatives from Coos Bay, North Bend, Coos County, area hospitals, Coast Guard, and others to discuss the impact of a large scale disaster to the services that we provide, reasonable expectations for response and recovery, and how to improve the communication between the agencies.

The exercise, hosted by the Coast Guard, was extremely beneficial as it exposed some of the challenges that the community will face in the event of a significant disaster. All agencies involved have a plan for recovery, but communicating these plans among the area agencies helped to identify some areas in need of improvement. Even something as simple as communicating with our staff without the aid of cell phones creates real challenges. The group was able to discuss some options to overcome this and other potential problems.

The participating agencies plan to meet again to discuss improvements to their plans and to further improve the community preparedness efforts that may improve the response to a disaster.

