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Tuesday,
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9 am-12 noon
We served 91
families in
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If anyone
needs food,
please call or
text Dawn
Garcia

(310)486-2397

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Mitchell
BINGO
Friday,
October 24th
@Mitchell
Community
Hall

Mitchell Grinch Busters Host 3rd Annual Chili Cook-Off on Halloween Neighborhood Night

By Dajuana Dodd

Friday, October 31, 2025 • Main Street, Mitchell, Oregon

This Halloween, Main Street in Mitchell will come alive with lights, laughter, and plenty of spooky fun as the town gathers for **Halloween Neighborhood Night**, a family festival filled with contests, games, food, and community spirit.

At the heart of the festivities is the **3rd Annual Chili Cook-Off Fundraiser**, hosted by the Mitchell Grinch Busters at the Little Pine Lodge. The Cook-Off has become a cherished tradition, raising funds for the *Mitchell Sentinel*—our not-for-profit hometown paper—and for the Grinch Busters' community Christmas projects, including Main Street holiday decorations and the annual Christmas Tree Lighting.

A Festival for the Whole Family

Halloween Neighborhood Night is more than just a fundraiser—it's a full evening of activities for all ages:

- **Chili Cook-Off Fundraiser** at Little Pine Lodge (5:30–8:00 p.m.)
Free to enter your chili! \$10 tickets include chili tasting and voting, a door prize entry, plus all-you-can-eat hot dogs, chili, cornbread, dessert, and drinks. (Kids 9 & under eat free)
- **Coffin Races** at Wheeler County Trading Co. (Safety check at 7:00, races at 7:15)
Gravity-powered "coffins" built by locals compete for trophies, bragging rights, and just plain fun.
- **Halloween Costume Contest** at Tiger Town Brew Co.
Trophies and prizes for spookiest, funniest, most original, scariest, and coolest costumes.
- **Carnival Games, Haunted House, Spooky Story Contest, Toy Stop, Coloring & Guess-How-Many Contests, Haunted Ride, and More**—all happening up and down Main Street.

Why It Matters

For those unfamiliar with the Grinch Busters, it all began in September 2022, when a small group of community members stepped up to decorate Main Street for Christmas after learning that the City Decorating Committee would not complete the task. We gathered lights, crafted wreaths, and made beautiful decorations, transforming Main Street into a warm and festive wonderland. We also organized a town Christmas Tree Lighting in the City Park with hot chocolate and refreshments, and Sleigh races down Main Street. To spread the word about these events, we sent out a 2-page newsletter to the Mitchell community—and that became the first issue of the current *Mitchell Sentinel*!

The Chili Cook-Off supports both the *Mitchell Sentinel* and the Mitchell Grinch Busters to keep our town festive and connected. Since 2022, the Grinch Busters have decorated Main Street with lights and wreaths, hosted the Community Christmas Tree Lighting, and helped sponsor events that bring neighbors together. Halloween Neighborhood Night is an extension of that mission—an evening that showcases the best of small-town Mitchell: creativity, fun, and community pride.

Join the Fun

Mark your calendar for **Friday, October 31, 2025**, and bring the whole family to Main Street for Halloween Neighborhood Night. Whether you're tasting chili, cheering on coffin racers, braving the haunted house, or showing off your costume, you'll be part of an annual celebration that keeps Mitchell's spirit festive and brings our community closer together. ■

3rd ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF FUNDRAISER

Who will be the next Grand Champion?

HALLOWEEN NEIGHBORHOOD NIGHT

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2025

Little Pine Lodge

100 East Main Street

MITCHELL, OREGON

FREE to Enter! Win Amazing Prizes!

GRAND CHAMPION (1ST PLACE), 2ND PLACE, and 3RD PLACE

**PRE-REGISTRATION is REQUIRED on or before
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30TH -**

Chili Rules: Any Meat OK, CHILI with Beans OK, at least one red or green chile pepper.

Chili must be labeled with the name of YOUR Chili, level of heat (mild, medium, hot), and which Chile Pepper (red or green) **CHILI MUST BE BROUGHT IN A CROCK POT, HEATED AND READY TO SERVE AT 5:45 PM ON THE DAY OF THE CONTEST**

CHILI COOK-OFF BEGINS AT 6:00 PM - WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT 7:30 PM

To enter, stop by the Little Pine Lodge or CALL (541)462-3532
or email DajuanaDodd@gmail.com (Registration on day of contest is NOT permitted)

Community Advertisement

Mitchell Ambulance Chat

October 2025

Hello and welcome everyone, I hope you all had a great summer!! Fall is coming soon, and it's time to stock up and prepare for the cold winter months ahead. Stock up the freezers, get the firewood split and stacked, and break out the winter clothes.

Winter weather brings its own challenges to us with the ambulance service. Icy, snow-covered roads slow our response times down considerably. The medivac helicopters are often unable to fly due to the weather, and our transport times are longer also. Slow down and leave more room between yourself and others when driving, and avoid sudden turns or braking when conditions are unfavorable. Dress for the weather outside when traveling and not for the heated interior of your vehicle. If you should crash or break down, your shorts and t-shirt are not going to keep you warm until help arrives!! Carry blankets or a sleeping bag in the back seat to keep you warm should you become stranded. Carry water in a thermos or other container that will insulate it and prevent freezing, and pack some snacks in a bag to take also. Let someone know when and where you're going, and check in with them when you arrive at your destination. It's easy to slide off the road when icy, and your tracks will be covered with snow, and hard to see. Prompt rescue is vital in the cold weather the sooner you're missed, the sooner rescue agencies can be notified to search for you!!

Now is a good time to check your heater exhaust in your home, make sure it's clear and not blocked. Carbon monoxide poisoning is a common cause of death in the winter months. Carbon monoxide is an odorless and tasteless gas that displaces the oxygen in your bloodstream, preventing your vital organs from getting the oxygen they need. Headache and dizziness are two early signs of carbon monoxide poisoning, along with nausea, fatigue, and confusion. Should you or someone else start to experience these symptoms, remove the person from the area immediately to fresh air. Symptoms should start to subside with fresh air, but can take hours to totally resolve, depending on the exposure. We can provide supplemental oxygen to help you and transport you to the hospital for further testing and treatment. Do not go back into the environment until the cause of the carbon monoxide leak is identified and repaired.

Clean the chimney on your wood stove; the creosote buildup can catch fire and burn your house down!! Once a year cleaning is a must, and twice a year is even better. Be sure your door latch is working properly and securely latches the door shut. Burning wood rolling out of the stove causes many house fires in the winter. Keep flammables away from the stove and any other heat sources. Catalytic heaters are generally safe for

indoor use but should be ventilated. Do not use a propane or charcoal grill for heat in any enclosed space!! The combustion process releases large amounts of carbon monoxide due to the incomplete combustion process.

I hope you find these tips helpful, but should you need us, don't hesitate to call. We are available 24/7 for you. Let's all have a good, injury-free winter, and I'll talk with you next month!! ■

John A. Hayes, EMT - Mitchell Ambulance

It's all about the paper

By Dan Cannon

9/27/25



For some reason, environmentalists don't complain and protest about using trees to make T.P.

My guess is it's not that near and dear to their hearts, where it's used, that's what I see.

Let's go back in history and see what other applications worked effectively well...

Adam and Eve had only organic leaves, and poison oak or ivy was a trip to hell!

The person that used corn cobs for the first time must have been driven to desperation.

The invention of flush toilets changed the bathroom habits of this great nation

Catalogs, cobs, rags, and leaves were no longer applicable, they did not flush well.

A different type of paper was invented to handle the chore, the softer, the easier, the sell.

Remember the John Wayne toilet paper, poor quality because it would take no crap off anyone.

In Europe, you have to sit on a water faucet after you are done.

To sell their product, they attach names like Cottonelle, Angel Soft, Charmin, to name a few.

They then follow up with quilted soft, 2 and 3 ply, cushioned, and sell it, they do.

The commercial that gets me is the one that uses a bear! ...

In all my 82 years, and seeing bear scat in the woods, I never ever seen paper there!

The one thing I know is, when you feel the urge of nature coming on, what is alarming, is that you realize you left home and forgot to bring a roll of Charmin. ■

SHELL OIL COMPANY

In 1991, Shell Oil Company sent an exploration team into our area. They brought in large trucks that would drive our highways, stop, and drop huge feet attached to trucks, and then the shaking would begin. Instruments then measure how deep the shaking would go, and later they core drilled the same area, following the Mitchell fault from Shaw Canyon near the Priest Hole to Hanson Meadow on Mountain Creek. A crew was brought in to wrangle the German engineers and scientists, and they needed it. David Buschick was the head man; he rented top-line 4x4 pick-ups for the Germans to use. Used them, they did. My job was to keep them tired and running. They drove the county roads like it was the autobahn. I wrote a poem about the episode and lost it. But I gave one to David when he left. He framed it and posted it by his front door, and read it every day for 34 years. My son Marc and David connected through Facebook after all these years, and here is that poem:

CENTRAL OREGON 'AUTOBAHN'

Some came from Oklahoma, a few from Texas, Colorado, and Alabama delivered one.

They converged on Central Oregon to do Seismic Exploration.

There would be no time for fun!

The first group laid the foundation and set this operation into motion.

Then they waited for the Germans, who were coming from across the Ocean.

The finest off-road vehicles were procured, no matter what the Cost.

After four weeks of the Germans driving, it looks like some of those Rigs might be a total loss.

Some are bent, some are broke, and some are badly smashed.

But worst off are the two Deer they hit and really trashed.

Bouncing along our roads, the flats they had were many.

Having flats in this country is a way of life, and you don't hear me crying, any.

If you happened to see more Beer trucks on the road, I will tell you why.

These Germans love their Beer and every Brand and Brew they want to try!

If I ever go to Germany after seeing these guys drive, I have a solution——right on.

Damned if I ever get out there with them on that Autobahn!!!!

Robert Daniel Cannon
September 27, 1991

Gov. Kotek Slams Gas Tax Repeal Effort

By Taxpayers Association of Oregon
OregonWatchdog.com

Friday, October 3, 2025

The Senate this week just passed the \$4.3 billion gas tax/wage tax transportation package. They rammed this massive tax with as little public notice and input as possible and with over 93% opposition based on Capitol testimony.

Now, thanks to State Senator Bruce Starr, State Representative Ed Diehl, and Jason Williams of the Taxpayers Association, they are the Chief Petitioners who are filing paperwork for a referendum petition to give voters a right to vote on this massive gas tax that will cost many families \$300 in higher expenses.

Now, Governor Kotek is asking voters NOT to sign the petition giving voters the right to vote.

KPIC reports on Kotek's response to a right-to-vote-on-gas-tax petition, "*She encouraged Oregonians to "think twice" about potentially supporting a referendum, saying it could compromise the safety of roads and the security of some jobs at ODOT.*" In terms of referral, Oregonians certainly have the right, and there is a process to refer to something they don't agree with. Frankly, I would urge Oregonians to think about signing on to a referral that will take away our basic ability as Oregonians to keep our roads operating," said Kotek. "Let's all come together as a state to make sure we have the roads we need."

How can Oregon come together, when Kotek shuts voters out of the process?

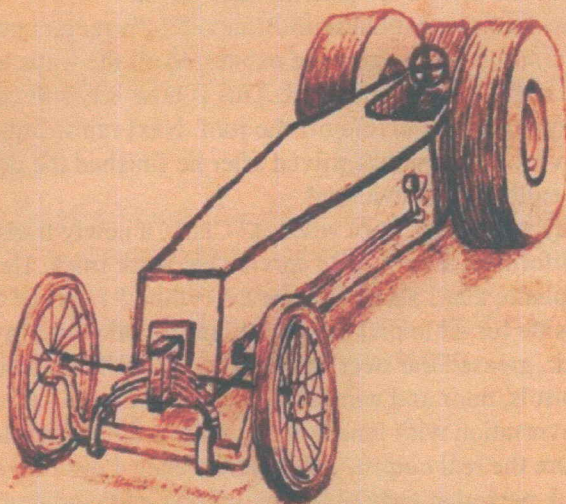
Even worse, the petition to give voters the right to vote on this gas tax is frozen until Governor Kotek officially signs the bill. The longer Governor Kotek waits on the bill, the shorter the window people will have to gather signatures within the 90-day window to refer a tax. ■

Build your COFFINS NOW - Get ready to RACE!

Halloween Neighborhood Night

Friday, October 31, 2025

Don't miss the Neighborhood Night
COFFIN RACES!



SAFETY CHECK @ 7:00PM

RACES BEGIN @ 7:15PM

Building Specs

This is a gravity-only race.

No pedals, No motors,
 No assistance other than gravity.

ALL Coffins Must Be
 Push-powered - gravity fed

ALL Coffins Must Be Able to
 TURN, BRAKE and
 Pass Safety Inspection

The rest is up to you!

Win Trophies, Prizes, and Bragging Rights!

Third place is the Grand Prize Winner of all bragging rights for 2025/2026.

Get out to that shop and start building your race rig!

Line up for Safety Check @ 7pm - Race begins @ 7:15 pm
Wheeler County Trading Co. - Main Street - Mitchell, Oregon

Sponsored by the Spoke'n Hostel, the Mitchell Community and the Mitchell Grinch Busters

Community Advertisement

In the September issue of the Sentinel, I incorrectly stated that this series was coming to a close. I stand corrected! The Unforgettable Folks series will indeed continue! Dajuana Dodd, Editor/Publisher

Unforgettable Folks: The Legends Next Door

In this series, I've introduced you to several interesting folks I've been fortunate enough to know. These individuals, full of wisdom and personality, left an impression on me that hasn't faded with time. They weren't scholars in the traditional sense, but their intelligence was undeniable, shaped by experience, resilience, and an innate understanding of people and the world around them. This story is about Ray.

RAY

Ray was born, raised, and would spend most of his life in Mitchell. Ray, like a lot of boys, was small for his age, which enhanced his toughness, but that toughness was put to the test when Mitchell boys traveled to Mt. Vernon to settle a score. Ray Gage, Lyle Cole, Doug Woodward, Walt Norton, Coon Maxwell, and Kent Powell failed that test miserably as the Mt. Vernon boys passed in flying colors. A large country boy by the name of Stanley Hobgood took all the aggression of the Mitchell boys. Later, Jenks Tanler told me he was the only one from Mt. Vernon that got whipped. Those Mitchell boys went on to toughen up as they all served the USA in WWII. Walt didn't make it back.

Ray joined the Marine Corps. They offered structure and discipline, which Ray had not been exposed to. He had to learn the hard way, which meant extra duty. Ray told me he was burning garbage. He didn't state where he got the ammunition, but a whole case was placed into the fire, the whole camp came alive, and when the ammo was spent, his commanding officer and sergeant were hollering, "Gage, you might as well come in, we know you are out here some place." Extra duty was again in place, but you can bet there was no more burning garbage involved! I wish I could remember the other tales he told, but in life, Ray was just getting started. No one was more delighted that the war was over than the corps, so they sent Ray home.

Ray started working as a faller in the logging woods, and by this time, he had become a practical and a non-practical joker; he kept everyone on alert! The one time the boys of Mitchell got the gotter.

Homecoming in 1960, a big bonfire was planned. The location was next to Ray's place. Junk lumber was gathered from all over town, piled next to Ray's place. We thought the old outhouse at Rays was abandoned, so it was used as a topper for the pile. 12 healthy young men had no problem hoisting it on the pile. Needless to say, it worked (burnt) beautifully until Monday when Ray reported it missing, hell came to school that Monday. We were chastised severely, but after that, I don't know how much Ray got for his missing outhouse or who paid it. Ray called Bob Woodward, representing the phone company, and he stated that they were experiencing static on the line and could he blow into the line. Ray repeated this

several times, and after Bob was out of breath, he stated, "That did it, you blew all the bird poop off the line." Then hung up!

I was always on the alert and guard for him pulling something on me! He started by asking if I knew I had won the garden tractor at the County fair? I didn't buy a ticket; someone must have bought one for you, for you sure enough won it! This went on for two days. "When are you going over to pick it up?" he asked. Then came the clincher, it will be handy for you, it has a special attachment on it, so you can pull your head out of your rear end! Maybe then he was even for burning his outhouse.

Dad and I were building our new store in 1969; Ray was our excavator; he dug a water line from across the creek, up the bank, up the front. He stopped the backhoe and stated I lost my knife, I am done until I find it. For over two hours, we searched, sifted, shoveled--this must be a buck, Gerber Super Knife to expend this much work to find it. We finally found it---it was an Imperial two-blade with one blade broken off, and 1 of the handles was missing. I told him we would have been better off if it would have remained lost.

Ray had a rental house in Prineville; his renters trashed it, wouldn't pay their rent, he exhausted all the ways to resolve it, law and all, still to no avail. This is how Ray solved it: he got a crew together and tore off the roof. Next rainstorm, they moved. Problem was solved after he finished the demolition! He called it self-eviction!

Ray was in our store when Al Clark, a newly transplanted Californian, asked me to service his work truck. He was emphatic that I should grease everything! I parked the truck outside for Al to pick up after hours. While out, Ray slipped back, greased the steering wheel, gear shift nob, heater controls, door and window handles. An angry AL had a stern conversation with innocent me later; it didn't take long to figure the real culprit. Two months later, I discovered Ray's truck parked at the Gable Creek Road while he graded the road. In the back of the truck was a can of grease, 5-gallon bucket, so I knew there was enough to do the job. Right then and there, I got even for Al and myself. Ray never said a word about it; he wasn't going to give satisfaction to the guilty party.

Family caught the wrath of Ray's humor; his mother-in-law returned home after a stay at her daughter's house, only to find that Ray had sewn every pant leg together she had packed. The first time she tried on a pair, she liked to have broken her leg and her toes!

In 1964, the Christmas flood washed all the road out. Ray, being the county boss in south County, had one truck, Bay City loader, and Gene Jordan on this side of the river. He needed more dump trucks, so he put together a crew of Bob and Jim Woodward, Hoot Powell, Dan Cannon, and a couple more guys from Prineville who had their own trucks. With this motley crew in three weeks he had the roads passable. I never had so much fun in my life; all of the crew were carded characters. Ray retired after many years with the County Road Department. Folks always called him old high blade, said he never lowered the blade because he didn't like to change the blade bits! ■

Dan Cannon 9/21/25



**Taxpayers
Association
of Oregon**

Taxpayers Association of Oregon and Foundation
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12 photos showcasing Oregon absurdities

Last budget saw huge 20% budget increase!
Everyone got funded except...

... wildfire budget and 18,000 sex offender file backlogs. I guess we need **NEW TAXES** for that!

"Oregon was caught using Medicaid funds for cooking classes, air conditioners and mini fridges"

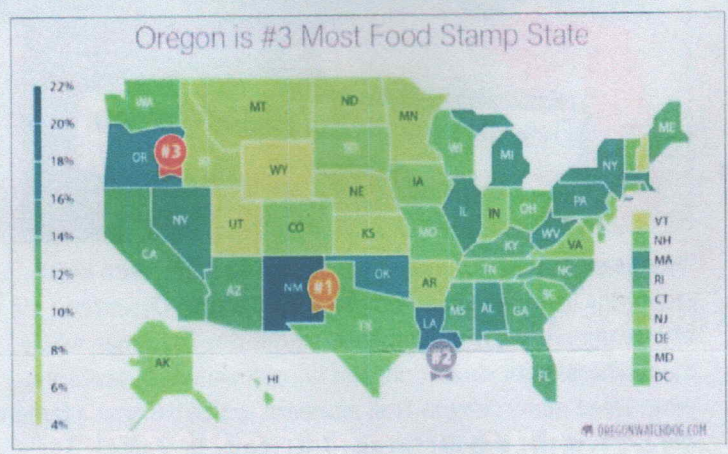
RECKLESS SPENDING

BLUE STATES USED MEDICAID FUNDS FOR LEISURE

TEXT JESSE @ (929) 286-7479

Budget gimmicks: Kotek grew the Oregon budget by 20% last time -- that's enough to give every agency a 20% raise. Yet, now Kotek says there is no money to fight wildfires and no money to process 18,000 sex offenders, which is being exploited to call for higher taxes. Taxpayers are being held hostage.

Oregon's mis-spending of critical health care Medicaid funds was exposed on national TV. Oregon raised 77 health care fees in 2022, while at the same time, politicians waste healthcare dollars on cooking classes, air conditioners, and mini-fridges. (CBS 4/29/24)



Oregon ranks as the nation's #3 food stamp state. Roughly 17% of Oregonians, 1 in 6, receive food stamps. Users can buy unlimited junk food on food stamps, such as candy, potato chips, ice cream, and luxury foods like steak and lobster. Your tax dollars pay for people's unhealthy eating habits and then pay again when they enroll in government-run health care to treat their preventable diseases caused by being unhealthy.

I didn't raise your taxes. They did it for me.

Politicians invent new schemes to raise taxes without a vote. Kotek drafted HB 2528, giving the Oregon Health Authority extraordinary powers to extend tobacco taxes to other similar products without a public hearing or a vote of your elected representatives. It also empowers the agency to ban any nicotine product it dislikes without a public vote. An agency-enacted ban could destroy a hundred local small family businesses and local neighborhood shops overnight. Politicians crave this new power to ban things and raise taxes without ever having to take a vote or take the blame.

FOSSIL SENIOR CLASS FUNDRAISER!!

PRESENTED BY TIMBUCKII

Haunted House

BOO-BQ



**SENIOR CLASS SCARES & SPOOKY TUNES BY
THE HIGH SCHOOL ROCK BAND**

**GATHER YOUR GHOULS AND GOBLINS FOR A NIGHT OF
THRILLS, CHILLS, AND UNFORGETTABLE FUN**

**ADULTS & CHILDREN WELCOME: PG-13 HAUNTS
CHILD PARTICIPATION UP TO PARENTS DISCRETION.**

**THURSDAY
OCTOBER 30**

AT TIMBUCKII

DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 PM

NO RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

43634 ROWE CREEK RD, MITCHELL OREGON 97750

TICKETS

HAUNTED HOUSE ONLY

ADULTS & KIDS 10+: \$10

KIDS 9 & UNDER: \$5

DINNER & HAUNTED HOUSE

ADULTS & KIDS 10+: \$30

KIDS 9 & UNDER: \$20



Community Advertisement

Dan Cannon 9/21/25

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TIMBUCKII PRESENTS

Haunted House

BOO-BQ MENU

**THURSDAY
OCTOBER 30**

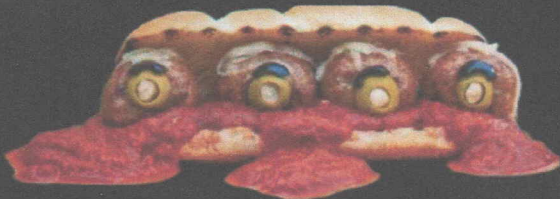
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PULLED MEAT, SMOKED & SEASONED
WITH PUMPKIN SPICE. SERVED WITH
ZOMBIE SAUCE



SCARY EYES MEAT BALLS
GARNISHED WITH MOZZARELLA &
MUMMY MARINARA SAUCE

FRANKEN FINGERS:
HOT DOGS SPLICED WITH
SHALLOT TIPS.



SMOKED GOUHLA MAC & CHEESE
SWAMP MONSTER SLAW
CAULDRON BEANS
CHIPS

GRAVE ROBBER DESSERTS
WITCHES BREW BEVERAGES

NO RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

Community Advertisement

A Halloween-themed illustration for a costume contest poster. The background is dark blue with a large orange full moon in the upper right. Several black bats are flying around the moon. In the upper left, there is a white spiderweb. In the center, the title 'HALLOWEEN COSTUME CONTEST' is written in large, bold, orange letters. Below the title, the date 'FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2025' is in green, followed by the location 'TIGER TOWN BREW CO. MAIN STREET • MITCHELL, OREGON' in white. Further down, the text 'SHOW OFF YOUR SPOOKIEST, FUNNIEST, or MOST CREATIVE COSTUME!' is in green, followed by 'TROPHIES & PRIZES AWARDED!' and 'ALL AGES WELCOME' in green. At the bottom, it says 'Event begins at dusk—' in white. On the left side, there is a yellow skeleton standing next to a large orange jack-o'-lantern. On the right side, there is a green witch in a black robe and hat, stirring a large black cauldron with a red wand. The cauldron is filled with green liquid and sits over a small fire. In the bottom left corner, there are two more orange jack-o'-lanterns. In the bottom right corner, there is a small illustration of a haunted house with lit windows.

HALLOWEEN COSTUME CONTEST

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2025

TIGER TOWN BREW CO.

MAIN STREET • MITCHELL, OREGON

**SHOW OFF YOUR SPOOKIEST,
FUNNIEST, or MOST CREATIVE
COSTUME!**

**TROPHIES & PRIZES
AWARDED!**

ALL AGES WELCOME

Event begins at dusk—

Community Advertisement



CALLING ALL BINGO LOVERS!

Mitchell October Bingo Night
will be held on

FRIDAY OCTOBER 24th, 2025

One week earlier than the normal last Friday.

We have Halloween Neighborhood Night
in downtown Mitchell on October 31st.
Hope to see you all out in Mitchell on the
24th for BINGO

and
on Halloween for
Halloween Neighborhood Night!



Where → 108 Nelson Ave, Community Hall

What Time → Games start at 6:00pm

Blackout Pot starting at \$98.00!



- Games may be cancelled at any time.
- Games may not be held during the months there is a conflicting Holiday.
- Games played are part of a Not for Profit Organization.



Community Advertisement

Halloween Neighborhood Night

Spooktacular Family Festival

Main Street, Mitchell, Oregon

Chili Cook-Off Fundraiser

@ Little Pine Lodge
5:30 pm - 8 pm

Chili Cook-Off Tickets \$10

(Kids 9 and under Eat Free)
Includes Chili Tasting,
Voting Ballot, Door Prizes,
All You Can Eat
Hot Dogs, Chili, Cornbread,
Dessert, Drinks

Coffin Races

Trophy and Bragging
Rights are up for grabs!
@ Wheeler County Trading
Co.

Safety Check @ 7 pm
Race starts @ 7:15 pm

Coloring Contest

@ Judy's Place
Winner gets
Seasonal Plush Throw
Blanket
and Other Prizes!

Carnival Games

@ Wheeler County
Trading Co.
'Pop the Balloons' and more -
Try out your skills
and
WIN Fun Prizes!

Spooky Story Contest

@ Judy's Place
Winner gets
Seasonal Plush Throw Blanket
and Other Prizes!

Toy Stop

Toys and Treats
@ Mama Mona's
Across from Judy's Place
(Weinbarger House)

Guess-How-Many Contest

@ Judy's Place
Winner gets
Seasonal Plush Throw Blanket
and Other Prizes!

Haunted House "Enter if you Dare..."

@ Little Pine Lodge
Doors Open at 5:30 pm

Halloween Costume Contest

@ Tiger Town Brewing Co.

WIN Trophies & Prizes

Best Costume
Funniest Costume
Most Original Costume
Scariest Costume
Coolest Costume

Ryno's Haunted Ride "Spooky Fun"

Load up @ WCTC

Decorate-Your-Own SMORES And More Fun Festivities

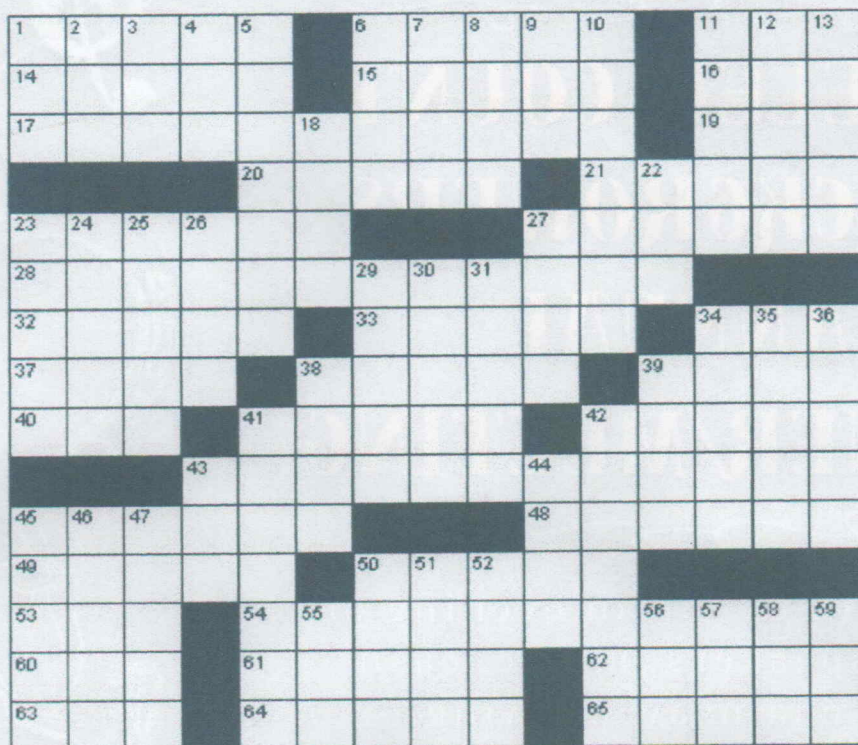
@ Tiger Town Brewing Co.

Friday, October 31st, 2025

Festivities begin around 5 pm

Sponsored by the Spoke'n Hostel, the Mitchell Community, and the Grinch Busters

Crossword no.36



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ACROSS

1. Heroic tales
6. Sun-dried brick
11. Doctrine
14. Insolence
15. A radioactive gaseous element
16. Twosome
17. Captivity
19. 3 in Roman numerals
20. Anagram of "Wanes"
21. Violent disturbances
23. Goddess of the moon (Greek mythology)
27. Head protector
28. Manifesting partiality
32. Angry
33. Intend to express or convey
34. Hyrax
37. Not a victory
38. Microbes
39. Net
40. Before
41. Strainer
42. A strong lightweight wood
43. Held in contempt
45. Express dissent
48. Conceive or envisage

49. A loud resonant noise

50. Stitched
53. Faucet
54. Germ killer
60. Earned Run Average
61. Not silently
62. Connecting points
63. 10
64. Abominable snowmen
65. Objectives

DOWN

1. South southeast
2. Advice columnist
- Landers
3. Petrol
4. American Sign Language
5. A native tribe of the Tennessee River
6. District
7. Expletive
8. Lyric poems
9. French for "Good"
10. Beseech
11. Regional jargon
12. A series of connected rooms
13. Damp
18. Swerve
22. Sick
23. A structural support
24. Mistake
25. Rental agreement
26. Newts
27. Ancient units of Hebrew liquid measure
29. Chieftain
30. Neuron
31. Makes docile
34. 4th letter of the Greek alphabet
35. A useful or valuable quality
36. Shelter from sunlight
38. The central meaning or theme
39. A ceremonial staff

41. Medical center on a ship
42. Sheets and blankets
43. Lair
44. Wharf
45. Group of 8
46. Make a loud noise
47. Land of the Rising Sun
50. An inhabitant of northern Great Britain
51. Pocketbook
52. Marries
55. Beer
56. Speak lovingly
57. A mountain on Crete
58. Delete (abbrev.)
59. S

The Crossword Puzzle Solution can be found on page 15

WHEELER COUNTY STOCKGROWERS ANNUAL DINNER/MEETING

Come join us for an evening of
food, speakers, music, cash
bar, chainsaw drawing,
dessert auction, and more!

OCTOBER 18 | 5:00 PM

Isobel Edward's Hall
702 Third St. Fossil, OR

**Chainsaw raffle tickets
available at:**

Fossil Mercantile

Lone Elk Market

Wheeler County Trading

KC's Country Hardware Store

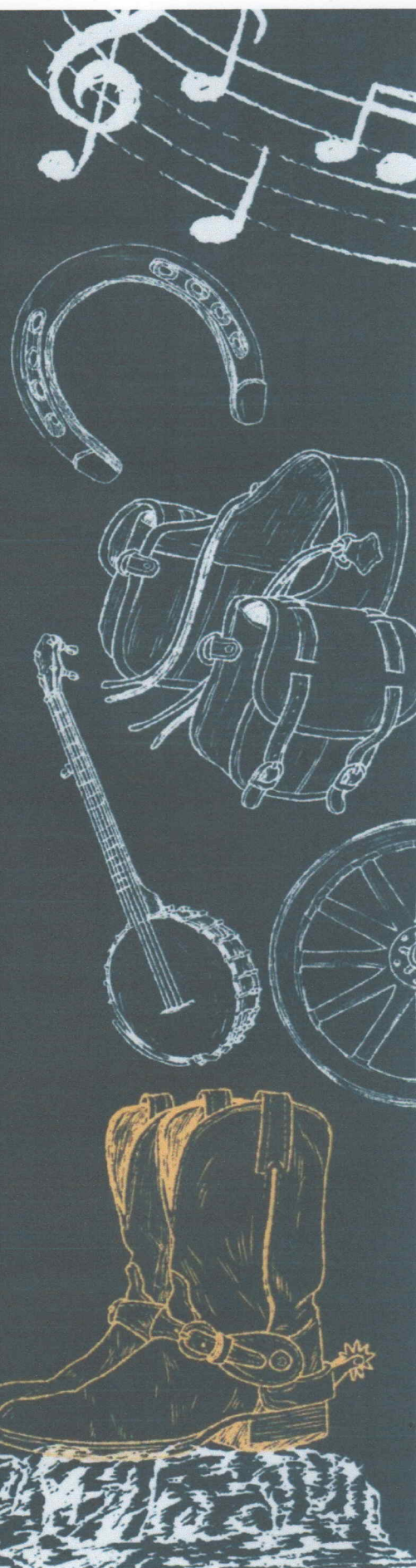
FOR MORE INFO OR ANY QUESTIONS

PLEASE CONTACT:

MELODY WAGNER AT

541-480-7370

★ **RSVP APPRECIATED!!** ★



COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community Announcements

Fossil Food Pantry Distribution

Tuesday, October 21st, 9 am - 12 noon

We served 91 families in September!
We received \$6,000.00 Grant for the food pantry to provide additional food in the coming months. This means Thanksgiving & Christmas Dinners will be provided for everyone this year!

If anyone needs food,
please call or text Dawn Garcia (310)486-2397

Senior Meal in Mitchell, LAST FRIDAY of each month @ Noon @ Mitchell Community Hall
108 Nelson Avenue, Mitchell, Oregon

See the Menu on page 12

60 and over - \$5.00  59 and under -\$6.00
ALL are invited! Please join us!

Mitchell City Council - Meets every third Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at the Community Hall.
The Public is encouraged to attend!

Mitchell BINGO - Friday, October 24th

@ 6 pm - Mitchell Community Hall, 108 Nelson Ave.

- Bingo was moved up a week earlier to allow for Halloween Neighborhood Night and Annual Chili Cook-Off Fundraiser to be held on October 31st, which is the last Friday of the month -

Place your community announcement here - for FREE!

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With 3 shelves - one solid -
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28" wide x 66" tall
Come see at Judy's Place
Call (541)-462-3000

SOLD

Oak Table with 2 large leaves and 6 chairs. Seats 10-12 easily. Paid \$1,200 brand new, only asking \$500.
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Call Doug or Robin Lynn Anderson at (541)462-3164

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PROPERTY FOR SALE: 50.9 acres - Mitchell, OR,
16220 Lost Coyote Lane - Stunning Views from this fenced and gated property just West of Mitchell.



\$89,000

Listed by: Coldwell Banker BAIN
Contact Mary Doyle
(458) 214-2540

Solution

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209 SE High St.
Mitchell, OR 97750
(541)462-3914

Sunday Services at 10 & 11 AM
Fellowship dinner following

Serving Mitchell with Bible truths
for those who have eyes to see,
ears to hear, and hearts to accept

Listen for the BELL

Men's Breakfast and Bible
Study @ 6:00 AM Thursdays

Mitchell Market Update!



Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Mitchell Market was unable to open over Labor Day weekend as hoped. The Market will open beginning in March 2026. Thanks to everyone for the inquiries and well wishes! Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me...(541)462-3192 or at paintedhillscottages@gmail.com

Greetings,

Barbara Jacobi



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**GARDEN HELPER
NEEDED**

for the end of October

**20-30 hours
\$20.00 per hour**

Contact Barbara Jacobi
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Oct. 17th	Oct. 24th	Oct. 31st	Nov. 7th	Nov. 14th
No Meal	Chicken Noodle Soup, grilled cheese sandwiches, fruit, and cookies	Spaghetti, garlic bread, green salad, fruit, and cake	Ham and beans, green salad, fruit w/jello, and brownies	Meatloaf, twice-baked Potato, peas, fruit, dessert

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