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Editorial

My wife Lynda and I recently watched a documentary on mushrooms called: Fantastic Fungi (yes, Scott Bradley – you've won us over!). The film was quite informative and interesting. We learned about the different ways mushrooms, or fungi, have been used and/or thought of over millennia (magical, mysterious, medicinal). Fungi have helped mankind in many ways, particularly in regenerating life on earth.

The content of the movie was great, but what really hit me were a few comments made by the narrator. They struck a chord in me and made me think of Bayshore. One statement that really hit home for me was that "communities survive through cooperation." Indeed, the movie suggested to me, as was described about mushrooms, that we here in Bayshore could "extend the network, build community, and restore balance one connection at a time."

Bayshore hasn't always demonstrated network building and balance in recent months. There have been issues that have caused some divides among members. However, I choose to believe those divides are repairable. I also think that we sometimes focus on those divides and don't see examples of cooperation and network building that are occurring already. For example, Bayshore currently has two committees that

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reach out to members to provide network building (e.g., the Social Committee) and the restoration of balance in our community (e.g., the Good Neighbor Committee).

In an effort to increase cooperation among our neighbors, and to have fun while doing so, there was a recent call for recipes that could begin to form a Bayshore Cookbook. At this writing, we have received more than 30 different recipes from over 20 different members who represent many different Bayshore districts. The draft cookbook can be found here. Now, developing a cookbook might seem like a very small and perhaps cheesy (pun intended) way to spotlight member cooperation, but as the film said, it has the capability of restoring connections, in this case, one meal at a time. I thank all who contributed those recipes.

This month's edition highlights two other examples of cooperation and collaboration. First, when you look at the pictures on the sidebar, you will see photos that fellow Bayshore members sent in. I thank those photographers for helping to spruce up the Breeze. Second, you can read two articles that not only demonstrate collaboration with others here in Bayshore, they also point to the need for cooperation to help Bayshore with some current, and potentially future, challenges. The first article by Elaine Ferguson highlights how community members could come together to help Bayshore itself become rid of noxious plants. The second article, co-authored by John Garland and Lynda Engle, calls for members to proactively consider how they might help this community in case of an emergency. Both articles are quite informative, and I thank those authors for submitting them.

I came across another quote that seems to fit this idea that we here in Bayshore can work together to build up our community and restore its balance. The quote is from an and are limited to 250 words. Anonymous letters are not accepted.

We still need more volunteers for these Committees:

Canal Committee
(no need to live on the canal)

Planning Committee

Communications
Committee (including the *Breeze*)

Please consider volunteering!

BAYSHORE SPECIAL ROAD DISTRICT

No updates since the last meeting: September 21, 2021

FYI: Minutes from Board meetings are available here.

unknown author: "Teamwork divides the task and multiplies the success." I am willing to work as part of a team as a means to ensure multiple successes here in our community. I hope you are, too. Surely, collectively, we can build up our community, one connection at a time, until it becomes a shining example of what it means to be a thriving community that survives because of cooperation. Heck, if mushrooms can do it, I believe we Bayshore members can, too. If you have ideas for simple but effective ways to work as a team to build up our community, please let me know (kennapel@sc.edu)

Kenn Apel, interim Breeze editor

Bayshore Volunteers

This month, we spotlight another two Bayshore volunteers: Babe Hamilton, a member of Bayshore's Social Committee, and Steve Sagar, a Board of Directors member (Division 3). You will read why both decided to volunteer for Bayshore and other interesting facts about them. We thank them both for their contributions to Bayshore.



Babe Hamilton

Babe Hamilton is a member of the social committee here at Bayshore. She has been a volunteer on that committee for six months. She says volunteering on the

committee is just one way she likes to fill her retirement days. Other activities that keep her busy include helping Women of the Moose and greeting visitors at the Interpretive Center. Babe also enjoys painting rocks she finds from walks on the local beaches and singing karaoke. All and all, Babe seems to be doing a great job at keeping busy. Leading up to her retirement, Babe also has had quite a fascinating life story.

Babe was born and raised in Baker City, OR, although she has lived all over Oregon since then. When she was very small, her six older brothers and sisters named her Babe; she has been called that ever since. When she and her husband Jim were both 16, they eloped to Reno and got married. Over the next 51 years, they have shared many experiences. Some of those involved tough times, but Babe always has looked at life positively.

Across the years, Babe has held various positions and titles. For example, she was a stay-at-home mom while her children were growing up. When her youngest son started 7th grade, Babe went back to school, becoming a college graduate at 34-years of age. After that, she taught third and fourth grade students for a while. She and Jim then bought a resort near Crater Lake National Park. Babe says being a resort owner was her favorite job because she was able to meet so many people from all over the state, the nation, and even the globe. Across those many experiences, Babe always held the same philosophy: to see the good in everyone. She does admit that, sometimes, one may need to look pretty deep to find that good. Interestingly, when she was asked to talk about her hidden talent, she said she was still looking. It seems that her ability to see the good in everyone is an exceptional "hidden" talent.

In August of 2020, Babe and Jim moved to Bayshore. Jim had a broken neck due to cancer. It was tough at first because it was smack-dab in the middle of the Covid lockdown (not to mention needing to tend to Jim's broken neck - btw, he's doing great now!). Meeting other people from Bayshore and socializing with them was not possible. That was one reason why Babe decided to volunteer in Bayshore: as a means to get to know more members. Babe says she loves the sense of community she gets here in Bayshore and the friendly people who are part of it (although she acknowledges that there are friendly people



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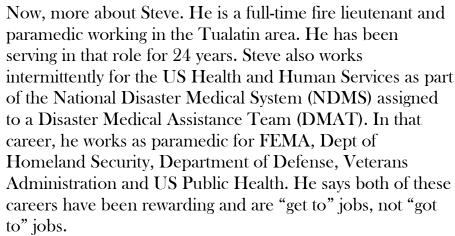
wherever she goes). My guess is that Babe runs into so many friendly people because she strives to see the good in everyone. What a wonderful trait for a Bayshore volunteer. Thanks, Babe, for your contributions to Bayshore and your efforts to bring that sense of community to all!



Steve Sager

Steve Sager has been serving as the Division 3 Director since this past May. He became a Bayshore member when he purchased his home here about two-and-a-half years ago. Although he had never been to Bayshore before seeing the MLS listing, he and his wife, Jenny, instantly fell in love with the Bayshore

community and decided that they would most likely retire here in a few years. With his busy schedule, children in the military, and hectic school schedules, their Bayshore home has become their escape. He says it is where the family goes to recharge their batteries.



When Steve isn't working (which is rare nowadays), he enjoys tinkering on projects, "dabbling" in construction and remodeling, and spending time with his four children and one grandson. He also enjoys backpacking, hiking, and



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paddle boarding. Perhaps most importantly, he is happiest when he can spend time with his family relaxing...preferably somewhere warm with palm trees swaying.

When asked to provide his favorite quote, Steve quoted Donald Rumsfeld: "You go to war with the Army you have, not the Army you might want or wish you had at a later time." He references this quote often in his line of work. He and his colleagues get called to solve many problems and mitigate many different emergencies. As a leader, it would be easy to sit back and daydream of the perfect crew of responders; however, that would get the team nowhere and, he says, isn't reality. The quote challenges him to build equity and inclusion into his teams and to look for each individual's talents.

Looking back over this lifetime, Steve stated that one of the most interesting places he visited was Saipan, where he was deployed after a major typhoon. The island was devastated, many local folks were injured, and most homes were completely decimated. Steve's task was to set up a walk-up health clinic. He was completely surprised when the clinic was fully staffed on the first day with nurses who were friendly and focused on providing amazing care. He assumed their homes had been saved and their families unharmed; however, this was not the case. He found out that even though they had lost their homes and had their own problems, they showed up to work...with smiles on their faces. They shared with him that it was honor for them to help their neighbors - an attitude he hopes to emulate.

Steve is preparing to retire from his career even though he is working more than ever! As the fire season passes, he and his wife hope to spend more time with their family and more time in Bayshore. He has really enjoyed meeting their neighbors and looks forward to the future of Bayshore. Thank you for serving Bayshore, Steve, and contributing to its future.

Message from the Board President

Hello Bayshore members,

I wanted to wish you and yours a Happy Thanksgiving and best wishes for the upcoming holiday season.

The BOD is still looking for volunteers to serve on the committees (see pg. 3 column) so please reach out to the office with an email and which committee you'd like to serve on. Being on a committee gives you the opportunity to help shape our community for the future, and gives you the chance to meet other members of our community.

The BOD is looking to move forward in making the beach accesses more usable in the next couple of months. If you have a skill or want to offer help in this process, please reach out to the office email with what you can offer. There are projects coming up which members of our community have knowledge and experience with, which can save funds if we do these things ourselves. If you see something you'd like to see done, let the office know and we can assist you with possibly making it a reality.

Also, a quick reminder that there will be no BOD meeting in December.

Hope you enjoy your Holiday season.

William Nightingale, President

Bayshore Beach Club



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Berries and Brooms

The Weeds that Invaded Bayshore By Elaine Ferguson

I think of invasive weeds as tenacious, hearty, non-native plants that need regular maintenance to be controlled. Or, as my husband says, any plant that will grow for him. While there are many plants classified as invasive by the State of Oregon, in Bayshore, we are most concerned by the Armenian or Himalayan Blackberry and Scotch Broom.

Blackberry (from Oregon.gov)

Armenian blackberry was first noted in Oregon in 1922 in Marion County. Originally named Himalayan blackberry after its place of origin, it was introduced by Luther Burbank for berry breeding in the Willamette Valley. While he was successful in breeding the Marionberry (YUM!), unfortunately, there were unintended consequences.

Description: It grows as a robust, well-armored, perennial vine producing large impenetrable thickets. Deep-growing woody roots yearly produce spine covered, reddish stems often extending more than 20 feet per season. Leaves are alternate, palmate and compound with serrate margins. Flowers are five petaled, white to light pink blooming in early summer. Fruit production is heavy and well favored by robins and other songbirds. There are other non-native blackberry species in Oregon. Armenian is the most robust.

Impacts: It is the most widespread and economically disruptive of all the noxious weeds in western Oregon. It aggressively displaces native plant species, dominates most riparian habitats, and poses a significant economic impact on right-of-way maintenance, agriculture, park, and forest



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production. It is a significant impediment in riparian restoration projects and physically inhibits access to wild lands.

Reproduction: Reproduction occurs through rooting at cane apices (tips), by root fragments or by seeds, which are dispersed by birds and animals. These reproductive strategies allow it to expand rapidly across a landscape. Any control strategy can be considered short-lived if it does not take into consideration soil seed stocks and potential future land disturbance.

Biologic Controls: No biologic controls are approved by the State of Oregon.

Scotch Broom (from Oregon.gov)

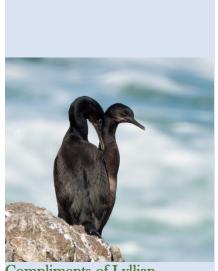
Scotch broom is one of Western Oregon's most widespread and costliest weeds. A native of Europe, scotch broom was brought to North America in the late 1700s as an ornamental plant. It was first documented in Oregon in Benton County in 1892. Scotch broom was widely planted in Western Oregon for dune stabilization and as an ornamental along highway corridors. It is now the most extensive forest weed species and a significant source of pollen affecting allergy sufferers.

Description: Scotch broom is an attractive evergreen shrub with many slender, erect, dark-green branches. It can grow up to 8 feet tall. In May, it is adorned with a profusion of yellow flowers maturing to flattened pods with up to a dozen seeds each. Mature dried pods will crackle and pop in midsummer, ejecting the seeds a short distance.

Impacts: Scotch broom is a pioneer species known to displace native plants and smother tree transplants increasing tree death or slowing growth in the early years. It readily invades disturbed sites, natural areas, dunes, and forestlands. Scotch broom is a prolific seed producer of long-lived (10



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years plus) seeds. Broom stands establish persistent soil-seed banks requiring long-term commitment to exhaust. Pollen production during bloom time also can be quite an allergen source for allergy sufferers.

Biological controls: Three biological control agents, a beetle, a seed weevil, and a twig miner, are approved for release and have been established in Oregon: Bruchidius villosus, Exapion fuscirostre, Leucoptera spartifoliella.

The hearty nature of these plants, and their prolific and efficient means of reproduction, require that they be addressed every year. Due to the pandemic, Bayshore has not held its yearly cleanup for two years...and it shows. Blackberries are creeping into the roadway on Oceania Drive and in virtually every yard along Mackay and Parker. I have seen blackberry canes nearly 12 feet tall. Without a concerted effort by all in our community, we will soon be overrun by these plants. Both plants have unique ways to procreate. Burning causes the scotch broom seed pods to explode and spread, while composting blackberry canes only gives them another place to root. Sadly, managing them requires a lot of hard work. The most effective way is to dig them up, bag them, and dispose the remains elsewhere. And repeat.....

Be on the lookout for these plants on your property. Try to control them and if you need help, please contact the office.

When landscaping your property, consider using native plants. A good source of information is Thompson's Nursery, up Highway 34. The owners are very knowledgeable about local horticulture and give good advice on what to plant where.

For more information:

https://extension.oregonstate.edu/collection/controllinginvasive-plants

Being Prepared

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) and Bayshore Residents

By John Garland, CERT member and Bayshore Resident, and

Lynda Engle, South Lincoln County CERT Coordinator



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CERT is a nationally recognized organization (Citizen's Corp under FEMA) and is a locally implemented initiative that teaches people how to better prepare themselves for hazards that may affect their communities. Since 1993, CERT has been training the public in basic disaster response skills such as team organization, emergency preparedness, disaster medical response and operations, fire safety, and light search and rescue. The ability for CERT volunteers to perform these activities frees up professional responders to focus their efforts on more complex and critical tasks. In a major event, emergency responders can be overwhelmed and CERT can fill the gap by, starting an emergency response before fire and medical responders can get to affected neighborhoods.

Here in Lincoln County, we can be exposed to any number of natural and man-made emergencies: winter storms, wildfires, floods and "the Big One," the Cascadia Subduction Zone rupture with a catastrophic earthquake and local tsunami. Taking CERT training provides the skills needed to assist your own family and neighbors with the initial community response.



Locally, the first CERT team was trained in Newport (2004) through a Homeland Security grant. It has expanded to now include volunteer teams in North Lincoln (Lincoln City), Depoe Bay, Newport and South County (which includes Seal Rock, Waldport and Yachats). The South County team has sponsorship through Central Coast Fire Department in Waldport. We have been involved in evacuation and communication drills in all three communities in the past several years, as well as supporting local community events. We also work closely with Lincoln County Emergency Management such as in COVID vaccination clinics.

CERT training is always free and open to anyone. Due to the current situation, we are not offering training in person but instead recommend the online course with the University of Utah (see below). Once that course is finished we will meet with you to provide the hands on section to complete the training. While training you are welcome to attend our meetings held on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00pm. We are currently holding Zoom meetings but as soon as possible we hope to resume our in-person meetings at the Central Coast Fire Dept. We look forward to hearing from you!

The Bayshore Community has some unique considerations for earthquake tsunami concerns. For example, in a strong earthquake and subsequent tsunami, the Alsea Bay Bridge may stand but the access to the bridge would likely fail on both the North and South approaches to the bridge. Lack of access to the North at Seal Rock would further isolate Bayshore. The isolation of Bayshore would depend on how severely larger population centers would be impacted as they will come first and it could be up to 30 days or more for small communities to be helped.

At many times of the year, Bayshore has a large population of tourists likely unprepared for an event. The Bayshore Safety Committee is working with CERT members to bring some awareness to the renters. Bayshore homeowners in the





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affected zones should have a "go bag" with enough supplies to last a few days. The Bayshore Safety Committee maintains a cache of supplies on Hilton street out of the hazard zone. Supplies in the cache can help many but not all Bayshore survivors. Those outside the impact area will need to help their neighbors. With freshwater Mokmak lake nearby and purification supplies in the cache, limited emergency drinking water can be produced as water lines may not survive.

There is only one road out of the hazard zones and it will likely be jammed up within minutes of the event. Walking out in time will be a challenge for many Bayshore locations. Bayshore residents with mobility issues should have a wheelchair available (some designs are collapsible and easily stored until needed) and make arrangements for help evacuating to higher ground.

Communications during a disaster will be interrupted. Cell phones will likely not work with tower failures or just the heavy traffic. Landlines may be uncertain as well. CERT members communicate with radios and are connected to the Emergency Incident Command Structure. There are manufactured radios that receive emergency signals that are powered by solar, battery or hand crank power (see below).

With this brief overview of CERT and emergency preparedness in mind, we ask that more Bayshore members consider CERT training. There are only four CERT members in Bayshore out of the hazard zone. Further we ask that anyone with emergency experience or medical training let us know so we can inventory those willing to help out.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

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SOME ONLINE RESOURCES

Lincoln County website

https://www.co.lincoln.or.us/emergencymanagement/page/hazards-earthquake

U. Utah CERT training

https://medicine.utah.edu/rmcoeh/about-

us/outreach/cert/online-courses.php

Search Amazon for Best Emergency Radios

https://www.co.lincoln.or.us/sites/default/files/fileattachments/emergency_management/page/4631/earthquake_and_tsunami_emergency_guide_-_waldport_map.pdf

An interactive tsunami map for those not sure whether they are in or out of the tsunami zone:

http://nvs.nanoos.org/TsunamiEvac

FEMA's :Are you Ready?: guide www.ready.gov/earthquakes



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Social Committee Update

Your Social Committee has been busy this fall coming up with activities to bring the community together. We kicked off the season with a Halloween Party on October 30 where we saw 35 members come together for food, fun, costumes, carved pumpkins, and a spookily decorated Clubhouse. Most everyone wore costumes, but it was 2-year-old Justin Crayton (Spiderman) who took home the top prize and stole everyone's heart, followed by witchy Paula Brubaker. We saw quite the creativity in the carved pumpkin contest with



Tim Brubaker taking top prize, followed by St. Clair Drossel.

On November 8, we had our first rock painting get together at the clubhouse. It was a casual affair with snacks and beverages. Many rocks were changed forever. Even first-time rock painters found they could create a masterpiece. Plans are in the works for another session next year, possibly in January. There was talk that we may even paint some rocks to hide around Bayshore.

Starting November 10, we are having a Food Drive to help feed those less fortunate in Lincoln County. There are 2 small bins (1 in the office, 1 up in the Clubhouse) that have been put out for donations. The Food Drive will continue through the Holiday Party in December. According to Food Share, the most needed items are: peanut butter, low-sugar jam/jelly, canned stews, cereal, hearty soups, low-sugar canned fruit, packaged dried fruit, canned tuna/chicken/salmon, unsweetened applesauce, & chili.

On November 15, there will be Safety Committee Open House at the Clubhouse from 7-9pm and learn about Emergency Preparedness. Virginia DeMaris and Jessica Palma of Lincoln County Emergency Preparedness, and local CERT members John & Pam Garland will be available to answer your questions, along with information about Bayshore's emergency cache.

The Social Committee is bringing back the Christmas Bazaar & Bake Sale on December 4 (9am-5pm). Currently, we have 21 Bayshore Artisans signed up and ready to showcase their arts, crafts, and collectibles to make this "your" best holiday gift giving year ever.

Attention Bayshore Bakers: we need desserts for the Bake Sale. You can drop off your donations on Friday, Dec. 3 (5-8pm) at the Clubhouse. Thank you in advance!

We are still looking for vendors to showcase their wares. If you would like to participate, contact the social committee if interested. We are asking for a donation of \$25 per table.

All proceeds from this event have been earmarked towards refurbishing/replacing the picnic tables in Bayshore's public areas. Entry into the Bazaar will be a non-perishable food item (see Food Drive above) or an un-wrapped toy. We hope to see everyone there!

This year's Holiday Party will be Saturday, December 11 from 5:30-9:00pm and we will be providing the turkey, gravy, mashed potatoes, and stuffing. We ask that you bring a side or dessert if possible; if not, we would still love to see you. We will be having a thoughtful white elephant gift exchange. Please RSVP by December 7 (see email address below) if you would like to join us.

To reach your Social Committee, drop us a line at social.bayshorebeach@gmail.com. Written by Roger Smith, Social Committee chair.

NOTE: Feel free to submit pictures of Bayshore and its surroundings to <u>kennapel@sc.edu</u> I'd like to include some of those pictures in future editions of the Breeze.

If you are lucky enough to live at the beach, you're lucky enough!



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