

Deadwood Ditto for September 2026

Send all submissions to Deadwoodditto2026@gmail.com

Swisshome/Deadwood Fire Dept Board mtg	Second Thursday at 7 pm, Swisshome station (next to the Post Office)	Contact Mona Arbuckle @sd.rfpd.@gmail.com
Third Saturday dinner and dance at Deadwood Community Center	Third Saturday of month September 19th	Potluck Dinner 6:30, Music 7:30 (see special events)
Deadwood Farmers Market	Sundays, June thru October	Post Office parking lot 11:00am-2:00pm
Deadwood Creek Services	Monday September 7th	Community Center 6:00 PM
Mapleton Food Share- contact 541-268-2715 or 541-268-2919	Second Thursday and Fourth Saturday	10am-2pm
Triangle Lake Food Box- contact Cyndie Blake 541-925-3254	Third Friday	10am-2pm
Deadwood Ditto Distribution close to first of next month	Submissions due the 26th of the month to <i>Deadwoodditto2026@gmail.com</i> New!!	Editor Mark McNutt
Deadwood Community Action	Every two weeks on Mondays 5 to 7 pm	Contact Keith KeithST@peak.org

"All the News that fits" **Notes from the Editor** Mark S. McNutt

We regret to hear of the death of inspirational **Icon Dolly Parton**, who touched so many with song, insight, and especially kindness. She shone as a stellar example of how to partner greatness with grace, and will be missed by many.

Full disclosure- my grandkids received books from the **Imagination Library** until age 6- some of the 330 Million free books distributed to inspire early interest in reading for children and one of Dolly's many inspirations.

In other news regarding the recent Ditto-

We regret that we lost a few lines and otherwise accidentally altered the submission from James Webb in the last issue. We like to get it right, yet we are still adapting to a new and inherited format. Contact James if you wish to read the unedited and perfect version of this poem.

Thus inspired, I am aware that submissions longer than one page may get subject to formatting chaos and so we ask that your literary outpourings be kept to one page or less. Remember that great works of art usually fit onto a single canvas. And thank all of you who are doing your best to make my job easier thru general succinct camera readiness.

Still figuring it all out, tho. What Would Dolly Do? (WWDD)

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Lane County Transportation Equity Assessment Survey Cover Letter

From Joanna Rodgers@lanecountyor.gov

Lane County Public Health is learning about how health is helped or hurt by the transportation system (public bus, roads, bike paths, car travel, sidewalks, bike availability, etc.). We are focused on people living with disabilities and/or living in rural Lane County. What we learn from community forums and surveys like this will be used to make recommendations to transportation planners, community leaders, and those working to implement the Community Health Improvement Plan (read about it at [LiveHealthyLane.org](https://livehealthyLane.org)).

The Lane County Transportation Equity Assessment (LCTEA) is led by an Advisory Committee of community members with lived experience and transportation expertise. However YOU are the expert of what is or isn't working for you and your community. By filling out this survey and sharing your perspective, you will give valuable insight and help make this project a success. Your answers will be kept anonymous and you can share as much or as little as you want.

Thank you so much for being a part of this!

SHORT SURVEY (attached)

If you want to go more in-depth, please fill out our [longer survey at this link](#) (and [in Spanish](#)) or you can pick up a hard copy at the Deadwood Community Center with a self-addressed, stamped envelope. People who submit surveys are eligible to win raffle prizes.

(This next two pages can be detached from your Ditto and used by you) -the Editor

Thanks for adding your voice to the Lane County Transportation Equity Assessment (LCTEA)! We want to learn what's working and what could be better for you to get where you want and need to go, whether it's the doctor, a friend's, or the grocery store.

By filling out this survey and sharing your perspective today, you will help make this project a success. Your identity can be kept private and you can share as much or as little as you want.

What are the biggest challenges to get where you want and need to go?

- ☐ I have a car but it's expensive (gas, insurance, maintenance, etc.)
- ☐ I don't have a car
- ☐ Public transportation (the bus or shuttle) isn't available when I need it
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- ☐ I have trouble leaving my home or neighborhood (why?

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- ☐ I require ADA accessible transportation
- ☐ Other (please share what:

What might make things better or easier for you and/or your loved one?

- ☐ a taxi or Uber/Lyft service
- ☐ a vanpool (with a paid or volunteer driver)
- ☐ bike lanes or sidewalks (one? Both?)
- ☐ public bus (with fixed times & routes)
- ☐ ADA accessible transportation
- ☐ safer roads (slower traffic or something else

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- ☐ a more connected local community that can help with getting groceries, rides to town, well checks in emergencies, etc.

☐ other

Anything to say about your selections above?

Is there anything else you want to add about transportation and your life living in the Western Hwy 36 region? Please share here and/or in the upcoming discussion.

Ways to get the survey back to us:

- **Drop off at the Deadwood Community Center mailbox (that's the old Ditto mailbox in front -Ed)**
- **Take a photo of your survey (front & back) and text to 541-239-7282**
- **Email the answers (or photo of the 2 sides) to Joanna.rodgers@lanecountyor.gov**
- **Lane County Public Health
Ste. 360 Attn: Jo
151 W. 7th Ave Eugene, OR 97401**

THANK YOU!

Deadwood Creek Services News, September 2026

Gutters and Tree pruning.

Thank you to Ami Levi for co-ordinating with Garry Bernett for the much needed repair and cleaning of our community center gutters. It was efficiently carried out with the use of Garry's bucket truck extending a boom with a "bucket" on the end to elevate Garry and Ami up to the gutters. They also pruned up the trees facing the north side of the building, a fire safety measure and gutter protection.

Transportation Forum

Last Thursday 27th some community members attended a Lane County Transportation Forum to review the outcome of running a commuter bus once a week from Deadwood Post Office to Mapleton and Florence. This service will end soon, but the Forum was created to understand our local transportation needs, to explore options and how to best serve our community. Please see the article included in this Ditto and respond to the questionnaire

Missing Items from the Community Center

PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE ITEMS FROM THE COMMUNITY WITHOUT PERMISSION from the Board.

A number of hardware items have gone astray which were acquired last March: 2 rolls of grey weather stripping for the bottom of the doors, 1 roll of brush weather stripping for in between the double doors, 2 black floor bolts for the double doors, 3 kick door stops. Please return or replace these items so that work can proceed on keeping mice out and the heat in.

Also 2 boxes of 2 dimmable LED lightbulbs are missing. Please return.

DCS next board meeting is on Monday September 7. You are welcome to attend, although final decisions are made by the Board Of Directors. Grisha and Tom have left the Board owing to changes in their personal lives. Thank you Tom and Grisha for your service, we wish you well on your life's journey. We welcome Michelle Holman who was voted in at the 2026 Annual General Meeting, but has been unable to actively participate until now.

Phone Trees. We still have copies of the phone tree published last October. Please contact **MaryGold at X5341** to obtain a copy.

Deadwood Pioneer Cemetery Update

The Deadwood Pioneer Cemetery would like to honor aloof the volunteers who keep the DPC looking beautiful thru pruning, mowing, watering, helping families, mounting plaques, attending and contributing meetings and more! We've logged over 80 volunteer hours from May 1st to this writing. Special thanks to Aradia Farmer, Bill Wick, Kaki and Billy Burress and William Weaver, as well as board members Gerry Burnett, Brenda Garner, Ami Levy, Elaine Dotson, Pat Rongey, and Yvonne Pappagallo.

Hats off also to Lynn Blanchette for her hard work, time, money and organizing to get the Deadwood Post Office and surrounds cleaned up!! (I know of a couple folks who helped, but would probably miss a lot if I

tried to name a few.) Wow, that was a lot of work, and it looks great!

Update on our GPR results and latest efforts to identify unmarked graves: Last year we worked with CTCLUSI – Janet Niessner, Jesse Beers and Courtney

Krossman came two different days to painstakingly lay out and scan several areas at DPC. Their results returned many areas suspicious for burials, but in many cases it was not clear. Our final investigation involved poking a long steel rod called a 'sexton's key' to see if the native soil layers have been disturbed, and final results indicate approx. 20 more graves. We are currently considering options for marking these burials with unknown occupants; your suggestions are welcome! Email us at deadwoodcem@gmail.com or text to 541-999-2209.

Honoring Veterans: If you would like to honor one or more veterans with a plaque on our Veterans' Honor Rock for Veterans Day, Nov 11th, please consider getting your order in by mid-October. We still have some blank plaques left at the current price of \$65, but the price will surely go up for the next order of blanks so the current price is first-come, first served!
Thank you for your support,
Megan for the DPC Board

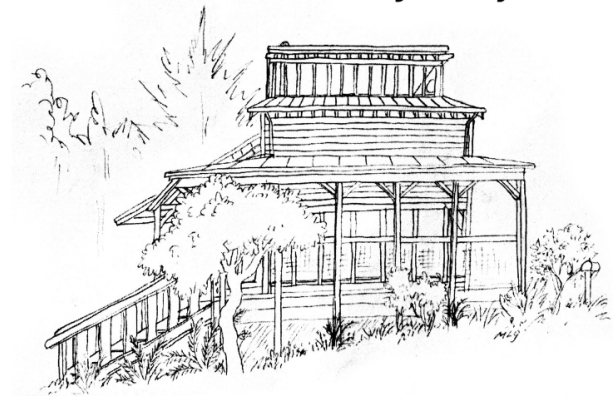
Deadwood Creek Services Presents...

Stories from Deadwood

A Short Film from the Deadwood Oral History Project

*Celebration, Film Showing
& Conversation*

Deadwood Community Center
4.3 Miles up Deadwood Creek Road
Thursday September 24th, 6:30pm



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Institute

Justice Can Work For You

- Howdy y'all, hope all is well as summer wraps up. I just wanted to let folks know that I am offering grocery/errand runs. If you need anything from Eugene or Florence, please just let me know at justice.johnson.work@gmail.com.

The September HOLLO report

From Mr. B - WSJI740

1. Global Campbell is rocking the road and the landing area in preparation for the rainy season. They have moved up the late fall 2027 management plans to manage the area around the repeater landing to an earlier date. This will help increase the amount of solar energy available for capture and keep the repeater online during the winter season.
 2. The equipment list for the R19 repeater is in the process of being worked out by the three folks in Eugene. The grant money has come in and will be made available to purchase the gear.
 3. Blachly Lane has the pole planting for the antenna tower in operational mode. They will put it on the planting schedule.
- Blachly Lane is also working with Global Campbell to finalize insurance details for this project.

Notice of Regular Board Meeting

The Swisshome Deadwood Rural Fire Protection District Board of Directors will hold the Regular Board Meeting on Thursday, September 10th, at 7:00 PM, at the Swisshome fire station (12) - [13283 OR-36, Swisshome, OR 97480](#).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES and BILLS

PUBLIC COMMENT

OLD BUSINESS:

Grant Update/Committee

CD rollovers

Policy review: Public Meetings and Contracting

NEW BUSINESS:

CORRESPONDENCE

FIRE CHIEF REPORT

Invitation to View our New Suspension Bridge

Last December 18 our suspension foot bridge across Deadwood Creek was completely washed away in the floods. We built a new one, up stream a bit, starting over with new pylons. It has recently been completed and some folks are curious and interested in how we did it, well,

mostly my dear husband Mark's hard work. If you would like to join us next Friday afternoon at 3pm, Mark will be talking about how he went about it. RSVP 541 964 5341.

-Submitted by MaryGold McNutt

Coming Next Month to Deadwood...Comedy Nite!

Come on out **Saturday October 3rd** to the Deadwood Community Center for a night of Stand Up Comedy and Karaoke after!

Doors open at **7pm** and the show starts at **8pm**. **\$5-\$25 suggested donation** but no one turned away for lack of funds. All proceeds help the Comics and Community Center.

Headlining is "**Cousin Leah**" stand up comedian from Humboldt County California **Leah Tamara**.

Other talented comics from Eugene, etc, are also on the menu.

Let's laugh at ourselves , the world, hippie culture and more. Guaranteed to be a great night.

Join us for...

Third Saturday and the Deadwood Resilience Kickoff &

Cookout on **Saturday, September 19**, at the Deadwood Community Center.

This month we'll start at 5:30 to enjoy both a free community dinner and an introduction to the new Deadwood Resilience Collaborative and opportunities to get involved in local emergency preparedness! **Live music by Steel Wool** begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome!



Third Saturday & Deadwood Resilience Collaborative
Kick-off & Cookout
September 19, 2026

Presentation & Cookout
@5:30

Live Music & Dancing
@7:30

STEEL WOOL
Acoustic Rock Reborn

DEADWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER 4.3 miles up Deadwood Creek Road