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Alexis Mather, Astoria, waves to the crowd after being crowned Miss Clatsop County 2015 after the Miss Clatsop County Scholarship pageant at the Seaside Civic and Convention Center Saturday.

Alexis Mather and Hannah Garhofer take top titles at Miss Clatsop County pageant

SEASIDE — More than 500 people watched as four local young women took home pageant titles at the Miss Clatsop County Scholarship Program Saturday at the Seaside Civic and Convention Center, advancing them to the state competition in June.

Alexis Mather, 19, of Astoria, swept the awards in interview, fitness, talent and evening wear on her way to being named Miss Clatsop County 2015, as well as receiving the Service Above

Self Award for Miss contestants. She walked away with \$1,525 in scholarships. Her platform was mentoring and she performed an operatic vocal to “Nessun Dorma” from Giacomo Puccini’s opera “Turandot.” Mather is a graduate of Astoria High School and attends Clatsop Community College. She was also Miss Clatsop County in 2013.

Crowned Miss North Coast 2015 was 18-year-old Hannah Garhofer of Seaside. Garhofer’s platform is celiac disease

awareness and she performed an energetic tap dance routine to “Blame it on the Boogie” by Michael Jackson. She also split the Platform Presentation Speech Award with first runner-up, Abi Anderson, 20, of Seaside, who received \$575 in scholarships. Garhofer is a senior at Seaside High School and received \$1,075 in scholarships. She was Miss Clatsop County’s Outstanding Teen 2013.

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Bridgette Wallace, of Portland, rushes to congratulate Hannah Garhofer, Miss North Coast 2015, left, and Alexis Mather, Miss Clatsop County 2015, right, after the Miss Clatsop County Scholarship pageant at the Seaside Civic and Convention Center Saturday.

FINAL AWARDS 2015

Miss Clatsop County (\$1,025): Alexis Mather, Astoria
Miss North Coast (\$1,025): Hannah Garhofer, Seaside
Runner-up Miss Division (\$525): Abi Anderson, Seaside
Miss Clatsop County’s Outstanding Teen (\$525): Libby Olsen, Warrenton
Miss North Coast’s Outstanding Teen (\$525): Hayliehe Bell, Seaside
Runner-up Teen Division (\$275): Anna Kaim, Seaside
Platform Presentation Award (\$50 each - TIE): Hannah Garhofer, Seaside, and Abi Anderson, Seaside
Service Above Self Award (Miss) (\$200): Alexis Mather, Astoria
Service Above Self Award (Teen) (\$50): Hayliehe Bell, Seaside
Overall Miss Interview Award (\$100): Alexis Mather, Astoria
Overall Teen Interview Award (\$50): Hayliehe Bell, Seaside
Overall Miss Talent Award (\$100): Alexis Mather, Astoria
Overall Teen Talent Award (\$50): Libby Olsen, Warrenton
Overall Miss Evening Gown Award (\$50): Alexis Mather, Astoria
Overall Teen Evening Gown Award (\$25 each): Libby Olsen, Warrenton
Overall Miss Lifestyle & Fitness (\$50): Alexis Mather, Astoria
Overall Teen Lifestyle & Fitness (\$25): Libby Olsen, Warrenton
All Non-Finalists (\$125 each): Moira Ferry, Astoria, Kayla Worwood, Astoria, Stacey Aho, Knappa, Jessica Knehr, Warrenton, Tennaya Carr, Seaside, Lindsay Grant, Astoria, Bailee Neahr, Warrenton, Emma Graham, Astoria, Taryn Miller, Scappoose, Audrey Colburn, Gearhart, Samantha Wozniak, Gearhart, Nikkole Sasso, Astoria
Miss Clatsop County’s Princess: Halle Moore, Warrenton
Miss North Coast’s Princess: Amara Ames, Warrenton
Miss Congeniality for Miss contestants: Hannah Garhofer, Seaside
Miss Congeniality for Teen contestants: Samantha Wozniak, Gearhart
TOTAL: \$6,450

Fishers get a hearing

Judge extends temporary restraining order against Pacific Seafood Group

By DERRICK DePLEDGE
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A federal judge has extended a temporary restraining order blocking Pacific Seafood Group’s potential acquisition of Ocean Gold Seafoods and has ordered Pacific Seafood to disclose all documents related to a possible stock or asset purchase.

Commercial fishermen — including Dennis Rankin of Rankin Fish in Astoria — obtained the temporary restraining order after alleging that the purchase of the Westport, Wash., fish processor would enhance Pacific Seafood’s monopoly power over the groundfish, whiting and coldwater shrimp markets.

Pacific Seafood announced Thursday that the purchase of Ocean Gold was canceled and moved to have lawsuit dismissed, but the fishermen have pressed forward with the federal antitrust challenge.

Judge Owen Panner of U.S. District Court in Medford on Friday extended the temporary restraining

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Kitzhaber says first lady will no longer have policy role

By HILLARY BORRUD
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PORTLAND — Oregon Gov. John Kitzhaber said Friday that first lady Sylvia Hayes will have no policy role in his administration moving forward.

Kitzhaber made the announcement in reaction to news reports early this week that Hayes may have failed to report \$118,000 on her tax returns that she received for work for a nonprofit clean energy consultancy organization.

During a press conference Friday, Kitzhaber said some of the questions raised in news reports about Hayes’ paid work were legitimate. “Questions have also been raised concerning my own roles and responsibilities that also deserve a response, or a pathway to an answer, and I will try to do that as well,” Kitzhaber said.

However, there were still many questions Kitzhaber did not answer.

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AHS senior is Oregon’s top migrant student

Gema Garcia translates at the Migrant Summer School

By EDWARD STRATTON
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SEASIDE — When Gema Garcia’s principal at Astoria High School, Lynn Jackson, told her he needed help Jan. 23 with a presentation in Seaside, she had no clue she’d end up the center of attention.

The 17-year-old senior at AHS was named the Oregon State Migrant Student of the Year, largely for her work as a teaching assistant and transla-



tor with the English Language Learner/Migrant Summer School in Astoria.

“I didn’t even think this was going to happen, so thank you very much,” said Garcia, who

didn’t have anything prepared when called on stage in front of a packed room at the Seaside Civic and Convention Center for the Oregon Association for Comprehensive Education’s annual winter conference. The association annually announces the migrant student, parent and advocate of the year.

Garcia, one of six children, said that at age 4, she didn’t know any English when she and her family moved in 2001 from the Michoacán state of Mexico to Astoria, following her parents’ search for better employment and living conditions. “I was in a program where they were teaching me English for a couple of years.”

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Gema Garcia, a senior at Astoria High School, speaks to the crowd after accepting the Oregon State Migrant Student of the Year award at the Seaside Civic and Convention Center Friday.

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