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Georgina Jones, left, owns Odie B's children's store, managed by her friend Char Moor.

## Odie B's is keeping kids covered

Consignment store has clothes, toys, more

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As a mother of 19 years who has worked with youth for 16, Georgina Jones knows kids.

Earlier this month, she took up where Five Lil Monkeys children's consignment store left off in January, opening Odie B's, named after her

9-year-old daughter, Ocean.

"She was excited to be able to 'work' in a store," Jones said, who runs Odie B's with the help of her friend and shop manager, Charmarie "Char" Moor. The two have volunteered for more than a decade at the Victory Over Child Abuse (VOCA) Camp at Camp Kiwanilong.

Odie B's store took over the space at 1255 Commercial St. vacated by Astoria Health Foods, which consolidated into its Seaside location, and all the accounts of 5 Lil Monkeys, which closed in January at 1161 Commercial St.

But instead of giving sellers a cut as their items sell in its store, Odie B's buys the items as people bring them in, giving them 30 percent of the appraised value in in-store credit, or 25 percent in cash.

"Environmentally, it's nice to recycle your stuff," said Jones, adding that the store weeds out damaged or dirty items.

The inside is divided by age groups, serving infants through teenagers with newborn to size 16 clothing, shoes, toys, books, furniture and other daily living supplies. Jones said the store came awash in inventory and

she won't be buying any new items until April.

A grand opening is 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. March 7, including crafts for kids, refreshments, a raffle, door prizes and a cupcake walk.

"We really want to be a community place for families," Jones said. The store will become a workshop each weekend starting in March for quick, family-friendly projects.

Odie B's is open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday and can be found on Facebook or at 503-470-0671 (ODIE).

## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### Goonies Day gets a trade show

The annual Goonies Day Celebration is adding an "80s Con" trade show to the lineup the weekend of June 7.

The Astoria-Warrenton Area Chamber of Commerce is seeking companies or other entities offering materials, products or services of specific interest to attendees, such as items relating to "The Goonies," the 1980s, movies and pop culture.

This show will be located at the The Goonies 30th anniversary celebration headquarters (a.k.a. the Goondocks) within the Astoria Armory, 1636 Exchange St. It will run from noon to 8 p.m. June 5, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. June 6 and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. June 7.

Admission is free. An exhibitor registration form is available at <http://tinyurl.com/80scon>

Applications are being accepted until the space is full. Exhibitors will be juried so that this small event will have limited overlap of products.

### It's time to UnWined

Need a night to sip, savor and UnWined?

Join the Astoria-Warrenton Area Chamber of Commerce at its UnWined tasting event from 5 to 8 p.m. March 7 at the Liberty Theater, 1203 Commercial St.

Sample red, white and dessert wines from approximately 40 Oregon winemakers, paired with appetizers.

Be the first to know the Best of Show winners in the Crab, Seafood and Wine Festival's official wine competition, decided in a professionally judged blind tasting just before UnWined. Then help select the People's Choice Award winner.

Meet the wine competition judges and learn more about the art of Oregon wine. At the end of the evening, head home with a 2015 UnWined wine glass. Tickets are limited, \$25 per person and can be purchased at the chamber's offices — 111 W. Marine Drive — or at <http://tinyurl.com/unwinedtickets>

### 'Book & Brew' seeks vendors

Cyndi Mudge of the Astoria Events Center seeks authors, publishers and book-related crafters (furniture, book covers, little libraries, etc.) for her event, "Book & Brew," April 16.

Table fees are \$25. Contact Mudge at 503-791-5843 or [AstoriaEventCenter@gmail.com](mailto:AstoriaEventCenter@gmail.com)

### Quickbooks workshop on tap

Clatsop Economic Development Resources (CEDR) is holding a workshop about QuickBooks vendor transactions for businesses.

The workshop covers entering bills and creating purchase orders; generating relevant expense reports in QuickBooks; analyzing accounts and payables reports; and looking at cost reports to get a better understanding of cash flow needs.

It runs from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. March 5 at Clatsop Community College's South County Campus, located at 1455 N. Roosevelt Drive in Seaside.

The workshop is one in a series covering QuickBooks. Future workshops include covering payroll on March 12, and covering financial reports on March 19.

Preregistration is required. Email [SBDC@clatsopcc.edu](mailto:SBDC@clatsopcc.edu) for a registration link, or call 503-338-2402. It is \$39, payable at the workshop by check or credit card.



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Lori Beth Kulp runs Lor's Tours out of Warrenton.

## Making the Dollar

INTERVIEWS WITH LOCAL BUSINESSES  
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Lori Beth Kulp acts as a liaison between visitors and the North Coast's attractions using her tour bus. She hopes to eventually assemble a fleet of them to entertain both tourists and locals. Lor's Tours can be found on [lorstours.com](http://lorstours.com)

### What do you do?

"We'll be offering tours, excursions and transportation. Tours and excursions with cruise ships, when they come into town, and transportation for local residents and visitors here to the area. Right now, all we're offering is a hike, but eventually we'll do some biking, some kayaking, some horseback-riding, and I'm working with High Life Adventures (zip line tour) to bring visitors over there."

### How did you get started?

"Three years ago, I suffered a really bad accident. It was near fatal, and I survived that. Then two years ago, my mom died unexpectedly. For 19 years, I've lived here, and I've been enamored with this area. I love this area so much. And after many, many months of praying about it and doing some soul-searching . . . But for me, it was very evident to start a business and buy a bus. There was nothing like this in the area, so that's what I did. I bought a bus. It's been just over a year, and I've had my bus for not quite six months."

### Who are your main clientele?

"Local businesses, hotels. I'm working with the state parks, High Life Adventures. I'll be doing some business with the visitor's center over in Long Beach (Wash.). Local people and international visitors, of course, from the cruise ships. It's really my way to spread some happiness and joy and share God's love with people."

### What are some of the quirks and/or challenges of running your business?

"I think really that would be to tailor what people need. I just got started, so it would be really to customize pricing and tailor our schedules to accommodate people that have last-minute changes to what they want to do, whether it's touring the area, a brewery tour, going hiking — and not having enough buses, of course. That's one of the biggest challenges, I think, because there's a need for it. My bus holds 12 passengers, and has wheelchair accessibility and has a lift. I think that's a big selling feature for me. I have so much support from my friends and my family and local businesses and the state parks. Everybody is really excited for me to get this off the ground and get things started."

## Fisher off the hook in fish case

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Florida fisherman convicted of tossing undersized grouper off his boat is off the hook after a divided Supreme Court ruled Wednesday that he should not have been ensnared by a law targeting accounting fraud.

In a 5-4 decision the justices threw out the conviction of commercial fishing boat captain John Yates, who was prosecuted under a law passed in the wake of the Enron scandal.

Yates was convicted of getting rid of fish he had caught that were under the minimum legal size permitted in the Gulf of Mexico. A Florida fish and wildlife officer said Yates illegally dumped the smaller fish overboard to avoid prosecution.

The law's anti-shredding provision prohibits destruction of "any tangible object" during a federal investigation. But Yates argued that the law was aimed at the destruction of financial documents — not fish.

Explaining the decision, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg said that given the context and purpose of the law, it covers only objects used to record or preserve information and "does not include any and every object found on land or in the sea." "Fish one may fry, but may one falsify, or make a false entry in the sea dwelling creatures?" Ginsburg said as she read a summary of her opinion from the bench.

In an unusual lineup of justices, Ginsburg was joined by Chief Justice John Roberts and Justices

Stephen Breyer and Sonia Sotomayor. Justice Samuel Alito wrote a separate opinion agreeing with the result.

In dissent, Justice Elena Kagan said Congress intended the law to have a wide scope to ban destruction of any physical evidence that could thwart law enforcement.

"A fisherman like John Yates, who dumps undersized fish to avoid a fine is no less blameworthy than one who shreds his vessel's catch log for the same reason," she said.

Kagan's dissent was joined by Justices Antonin Scalia, Anthony Kennedy and Clarence Thomas.

The case began in 2007 when a Florida fish and wildlife officer discovered 72 grouper on Yates' boat that appeared to be smaller than the 20 inches permitted by law. The officer told Yates the fish would be seized once he returned to port.

Once Yates returned, however, the officer found only 69 fish and many seemed longer than those he originally inspected. A crewmember later testified that Yates had ordered the undersized fish to be thrown overboard and replaced with larger fish.

Yates was charged under the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, which prohibits knowingly altering or destroying "any record, document, or tangible object" with the intent to obstruct an investigation. Congress passed the law after the Enron scandal, when scores of documents were shredded to conceal wrongdoing.

## State starts grant program for innovative products

Business Oregon, the state's economic development agency, is starting a \$400,000 grant program to help small businesses fund research and development of new, innovative products.

The fund will support Oregon small businesses that want to earn a share of the \$2.5 billion awarded annually in highly competitive federal research grants. Oregon ranks in the middle tier among states in capturing federal innovation grants for small businesses.

"For sustainable economic growth in both urban and rural Oregon, we must continually look for ways to give small

business and entrepreneurs a leg up," said Gov. Kate Brown. "Leveraging state grant funds to access federal funds fosters innovation that not only brings great ideas to life, it creates more opportunities to grow Oregon businesses statewide."

The federal grant programs — known as Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer — are designed to encourage small companies and research universities to pursue risky but rewarding research that helps bring new ideas to market and maintains the U.S.'s position as the global leader in innova-

tion. iRobot, Qualcomm and Symantec are examples of companies that grew out of the programs.

To learn how to apply, visit <http://tinyurl.com/mws4wma> or contact Innovation Strategist Mark Brady at 503-229-5223 or [mark.brady@oregon.gov](mailto:mark.brady@oregon.gov)

Oregon BEST, a nonprofit founded in 2007 as the Oregon Built Environment & Sustainable Technologies Center, Inc., will host a series of training sessions through March 13 in Corvallis, Newport, Beaverton, Eugene and Bend. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/ms7od9f> for more information.

## Clatsop County Property Transactions

**Seller:** Clatsop County Sheriff's Office

**Buyer:** Nationstar Mortgage LLC

**Address:** 2431 Ocean Vista Drive, Seaside  
**Price:** \$875,270

**Sellers:** Jonathan Mills and Kerri Mills

**Buyers:** Twenty LLC, Robert Calvin Properties LLC, William Montero, Robin Montero

**Address:** 300 5th St., Seaside  
**Price:** \$773,250

**Sellers:** Darrell William McCormick and Carol Lee McCormick

**Buyer:** Bruce E. Jones and Marjorie J. Jones  
**Address:** 1190 Alameda Ave., Astoria  
**Price:** \$320,900

**Seller:** Clatsop County Sheriff's Office

**Buyer:** Nationstar Mortgage LLC

**Addresses:** 1165-1175 Avenue D, Seaside  
**Price:** \$305,082

**Sellers:** John Bellisle, Rosanne Bellisle, Keith Bunn, Barbara Bunn

**Buyer:** B & B Rental Enterprises LLC  
**Address:** 91732 Taylorville Road, Westport  
**Price:** \$250,000

**Seller:** Federal National Mortgage Association

**Buyer:** Willis Van Dusen  
**Address:** 300 McClure Ave., Astoria  
**Price:** \$215,000