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Convicted abuser violates probation, sentenced to prison

By KYLE SPURR The Daily Astorian

An Astoria man was sentenced to nearly four years in prison Wednesday after violating his probation.

Neil Lincoln Fisk, 45, was on five years probation for two separate felony domestic violence charges against two different women — one charge from July 8, 2013, and the other from May 24.

Fisk — who has another four previous domestic violence convictions and an attempted first-degree assault conviction — violated his current probation by being noncompliant.

He failed to seek required treatment, pay restitution and regularly see his probation officer.

"He basically didn't do anything he was supposed to do," District Attorney Josh Marquis said.

At his probation violation hearing Wednesday in Clatsop County Circuit Court, Fisk's probation officer argued for him to continue his probation and serve 15 days in jail.

Marquis requested 45 months in prison, which was granted by Judge Cindee Matyas.

"I don't want another woman beaten and this guy has a really dreadful track



Neil Lincoln Fisk

record," Marquis said.

Last year, Fisk accepted the prosecution's downward departure offer of five-year probation rather than a possible 25- to 30-month prison

Fisk was charged with fourth-degree assault for injuring a woman July 8, 2013, after having been previously convicted of four domestic violence charges. On May 27, Fisk was charged with fourth-degree assault, interference with making a 911 report and harassment for abusing another woman.

The assault in May occurred in front of the woman's child, according to the indictment.

Within one year, Fisk violated his probation and now faces nearly four years

in prison. We gave him a shot and he blew it," Marquis said.

Celebrate Pi Day with pie at CCC

Clatsop Community College will celebrate notable physicist Albert Einstein's birthday and the mystery of the mathematical constant Pi (π) from 1:59 to 6 p.m. March 14 at CCC's Lexington Avenue Campus in the Patriot Hall Gym.

Pi is everywhere around us; it is the ratio of any circle's circumference to the length of its diameter. The celebration mimics the first eight digits of Pi, which are 3.1415926. Thus, Pi Day is on March 14 (3.14), beginning at 1:59 p.m. (159) and continuing to (2) 6 p.m. (6).

CCC's regionally acclaimed band. The π 'd π pers, will open the festivities at 1:59 p.m. with music and singing. There will be math games, Pi and other math walks, face painting, Pi prizes and more. Pi's famous relative pie will be sold, by the slice or by the whole pie, by the Pi-Phi Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa



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At the request of his grandma, Clatsop Community College art student Kelly Phillips, Nick Seiber, 13, makes sure that art instructor Richard Rowland gets his just desserts during Pi Day 2009.

as a fundraiser.

Join the college as it celebrates the mysteries of Pi. Admission is free, and the event is meant for all ages.

Children under 12 need to be accompanied by an adult.

For additional information about this event, or for

more information about the mysteries of Pi, contact TJ Lackner, CCC mathematics instructor, at 503-338-2452 or tlackner@clatsopcc.edu

Former milk cottage catches fire

By KYLE SPURR The Daily Astorian

An old milk cottage off Lewis and Clark Road in rural Astoria caught fire Tuesday night.

Lewis and Clark Fire Department responded to the cottage at about 5:25 p.m. and found smoke coming out of the two-story residence.

Fire Chief Jeff Golightly said a metal plate that the chimney ran through heated the wood floor on the second story to the point it started smoking. A resident of the cottage came home, saw the smoke and reported the fire. Nobody was home at the time, and no injuries were reported.

"Fortunately, it never actually really got going,' Golightly said. "We were able to get in and get it

(under control)."

The cottage, at 88786 Lewis and Clark Road, was built in 1924.

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Being a rural area, Golightly said, he had to request extra water supply from other fire agencies.

Lewis and Clark Fire was joined by the Astoria Fire Department, Olney Walluski Fire and Rescue, Knappa Fire District, Gearhart Fire Department, Warrenton Fire Department and Medix.

Lewis and Clark Road was closed for about 40 minutes while crews worked to control the fire.

Damage to the cottage was considered not significant, and consisted of a small burned area upstairs and some water damage.

"It was caught early enough to stop all of that,' Golightly said.

Astoria council to tour Ocean View Cemetery

City has heard complaints about upkeep

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WARRENTON — The Astoria City Council has set a special meeting Friday afternoon at Ocean View Cemetery, which has been the subject of complaints about upkeep.

People who have purchased plots at the cityowned cemetery in Warrenton have been promised perpetual care for their loved ones. But the city has struggled to maintain Ocean View because of staff cuts.

Improving Ocean View is a City Council goal for the upcoming fiscal year.

The meeting starts at

4 pm 'til gone ASTORIA

Arts & Experience tickets on sale now

The annual fundraising event of the Clatsop Community College Foundation, the Arts & Experience Dinner and Auction, will take place April 18 at the Astoria Golf Country Club. Tickets (\$75) are on sale now; event sponsorship opportunities are also available. Contact Patricia Warren at 503-338-2306 or pwarren@clatsopcc.edu The Arts & Experience Dinner and Auction generates support for students through scholarships; enhances academic and workforce training programs; and provides

state-of-the-art facilities and equipment for CCC. This year, six special projects, totaling \$30,569, will be the focus of a special appeal, including:

vessel Forerunner to enhance corrosion protection.

• The literacy/GED programs, which seek laptops and a projector for instruction. • The art program, which

Dinner and Auction features original work by the region's finest artists, as well as unique culinary, outdoor and educational experiences. A selection of artwork available

3 p.m. Angela Cosby. the director of the city's Parks and Recreation Department, will give a presentation on the cemetery and conduct a tour of the

grounds.



The nursing program, which seeks SimMan maintenance, Nursing Annie maintenance, Chester Chest training unit and other equipment.

• The automotive program, which seeks a diesel system trainer to enhance curriculum.

• The maritime science program, which seeks an anode for the college's training

seeks portable display walls for the Art Center Gallery.

• The fire science program, which seeks a communication system and generator for the college's fire engine, or other equipment.

Additional funds will be allocated through the year to meet the critical needs of the college.

The Arts & Experience

this year will be on display from March 14 through April 7 at Old Town Framing, 1287 Commercial St. in Astoria. This preview exhibition will open as part of Astoria's 2nd Saturday Artwalk.



Rental law session Monday

SEASIDE — The Clatsop County Rental Owners Association (CCROA) meets at 6 p.m. Monday at the Grey Whale, 280 S. Roosevelt Drive in Seaside.

The presentation is being given by Terry Flora Turner, and will accommodate two hours of continuing education credits for real estate professionals on new Oregon laws

for rental property owners.

This even is free for CCROA members and \$25 for nonmembers. Dinner costs \$12.50, and includes iced tea.

Astoria joins others offering free full-day kindergarten

Beginning the 2015-16 school year, Astoria, Jewell and Seaside school districts will be offering free full-day kindergarten, joining Knappa and Warrenton-Hammond.

Oregon Senate Bill 248, passed in 2011, mandated that schools offer free, full-day kindergarten. Previously, the state only paid for 2.5 hours of kindergarten per school day. Lawmakers have proposed adding \$600 million to school funding for the 2015-17 biennium, in part to cover the implementation of full-day kindergarten.

Kindergarten roundups to register children

for full-day kindergarten will take place:

• 3 p.m. April 21 at Seaside Heights Elementary School.

• During the school day April 23 at Hilda Lahti Elementary School in Knappa and Jewell School.

• 3 p.m. April 23 at Gearhart Elementary School.

• 4 and 6 p.m. April 23 at John Jacob Astor Elementary School.

• 6 p.m. April 23 at Warrenton Grade School.

Schools seek children with disabilities

Local school districts and the Northwest Regional Education Service District (NWRESD) seek assistance in locating children from birth through age 21 with disabilities who have not graduated from high school and are not attending nor receiving other special education services from public schools.

Oregon and federal law mandate appropriate educational services for children with disabilities. NWRESD provides educational ser-

vices for eligible children from birth to kindergarten. Local school districts provide educational programs and services for eligible children from kindergarten through high school. These services are provided as appropriate to each child's needs and disability.

Parents, guardians and others who know of a child age 5 through 21 with a disability who is not currently receiving educational services are asked to notify the

special education contact for their home district, including:

503-325-0476 for Astoria.

• 503-755-2451 for Jewell. • 503-458-6162 for Knap-

pa. • 503-738-5591 for Seaside.

• 503-861-3376 for Warrenton-Hammond.

For children younger than kindergarten age, call the NWRESD's Clatsop Service Center at 503-325-2862.

