

Easter Bunny visits Seaside



With the help of the Easter Bunny, 7- and 8-year-olds gather eggs at Sunset Empire Park & Recreation District's annual Community Egg Hunt Saturday morning. The free egg hunt, held at Broadway Park and Broadway Field, featured categories for 0- to 2-year-olds, 3- and 4-year-olds, 5- and 6-year-olds, 7- and 8-year-olds and 9- and 10-year-olds. In addition, the recreation district held an accompanying Aquatic Treasure Drive in the afternoon for 7- to 17-year-olds.

KATHERINE LACAZE — EO Media Group

Citizen Police Academy seeking applicants

The Astoria Police Department is hosting the eighth Citizen Police Academy in June.

Classes will be held from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. every Wednesday evening beginning June 24 until July 15.

The academy is open to community members who are interested in how the Astoria Police Department works.

The goal of the academy is to form and maintain partnerships between the community and the police by educating community residents about the role of law enforcement and encouraging citizens and the police to work together, according to Astoria Police. Participants will learn

about and experience the day-to-day operations of the department, tour the department, learn about criminal investigations, the functions of patrol, see basic defensive tactics, tour the jail and have the option to shoot various department firearms.

Participants must be 18 or older. All applicants are subject to a criminal background investigation.

An application packet can be downloaded from <http://bit.ly/CPAApp>, or by emailing Officer Andrew Randall at arandall@astoria.or.us

Applications need to be turned in to Astoria Police no later than 5 p.m. May 25.

Sign up for South County Citizen's Police Academy

CANNON BEACH — Seaside Police Department has joined up with Clatsop County Sheriff's Office, Gearhart Police Department and Cannon Beach Police Department to start its Ninth Annual South County Citizen's Police Academy. Classes will be held every Monday evening from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., beginning next week and ending June 22. There may also be an optional Saturday class as well. This academy is open to community members who have an interest in law enforcement and want to learn more about their police agencies in south Clatsop County.

The goal is to educate citizens about the different aspects of law enforcement and

strengthen community ties. Participants will have an opportunity to learn about each department, tour the facilities, learn about crime scenes, criminal investigations, learn about the taser, shoot different weapons, tour the jail and participate in confrontational simulations that officers deal with.

Participants must be 18 or older. All applicants are subject to a criminal background investigation. Applications are due by Friday.

Applications can be found at www.ci.cannon-beach.or.us, or for information, contact Cannon Beach Chief Jason Schermerhorn at 503-436-2811 or email: schermerhorn@ci.cannon-beach.or.us

Coast Guard breaks ground on new housing

The Daily Astorian

The U.S. Coast Guard broke ground Monday on 12 new units of family housing in Astoria.

Construction is expected to be completed next year in time for the Guard's transfer season between May and July.

The Coast Guard already has 102 units in its Triumph housing tract near West Klaskanine Avenue and Alameda Avenue. The new units are part of the fourth phase of a development that started in 1992.

"Our Coast Guard members arrive here from all parts of the country. Many have never been in the Pacific Northwest or in the Astoria-Warrenton area before," Capt. Daniel Travers, the commander of Coast Guard Sector Columbia River, said at a groundbreaking ceremony. "We know no one and have no family here. The reason we integrate in the community so thoroughly and completely is because we are



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From left, Capt. Daniel Travers; Capt. John Healy; Astoria Mayor Arline LaMear; Lt. Cmdr. Christiane Weber; Jim Wilkins; and Gabe Duus, of Integrity Structures; Tony Ewing of Columbia River Excavations; and Mike Gabe, with Integrity Structures, stand for a portrait with ceremonial shovels during a groundbreaking ceremony for a Coast Guard housing expansion project Monday.

made to feel welcome. "We are made to feel the talents, enthusiasm, values, and abilities our Coast Guard families bring to the community are appreciated. That isn't true everywhere. It's a

very special thing. And we are well aware how lucky we are in that regard."

The Coast Guard has about 500 active duty members in the Astoria-Warrenton area, and the Guard's presence

swells to about 1,300 with family members.

Astoria Mayor Arline LaMear welcomed the new Coast Guard housing and noted the city's lack of rentals.

Second major container carrier stops visiting Portland

PORTLAND (AP) — The Port of Portland might be almost completely out of the container business.

Hanjin Shipping left in February, taking nearly 80 percent of the Port of Portland's container business with it. Now there's concern that Hapag-Lloyd, the other major carrier, has ended Portland service.

"Although Hapag-Lloyd has not made an official announcement or given notification that it will no longer be calling on Terminal 6, its current vessel schedule does not show any such calls for the near future," Elvis Ganda, CEO of port operator ICTSI Oregon, told The Oregonian.

Not long ago, more than 1,000 businesses, primarily in

Idaho, Oregon and Washington, relied on the container terminal to get their goods to or from international markets. Having to send cargo by truck or rail to or from an out-of-state port adds costs.

The Hanjin pullout happened amid continuing labor turmoil at the Port of Portland.

ICTSI, a major global ports operator, signed a 25-year lease in 2010 to operate the Port of Portland's struggling container terminal. It represented the company's first venture in the United States, and management quickly clashed with American labor.

The union described the operator's labor-management model as "authoritarian and intimidation-based," and said worker morale was low.

Ganda said the workers staged slowdowns to sabotage the company and drive it out of business.

Agriculture industry officials have expressed concern that shipping goods from Puget Sound will become more expensive without Portland competing for the same business.

Hapag-Lloyd represented about 20 percent of Portland's container business, but more than 90 percent of the Port of Lewis-

ton's, upriver in Idaho. Pea and lentil farmers in Idaho ship their product up the Columbia Snake River channel to the Port of Portland throughout the year, except for the yearly lock maintenance.

"Hapag-Lloyd has been a wonderful supporter of peas and lentils in our region for decades, so it would be a huge blow to our area if Hapag-Lloyd were to discontinue Portland," said David Doeringsfeld, Port of Lewiston general manager.

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Comments due on Trestle Bay project

WARRENTON — The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is accepting public comment until Saturday on the proposed Trestle Bay Restoration Project along the Columbia River on Clatsop Spit. Bonneville Power Administration is a partnering agency on the project.

The Corps is proposing to construct an ecosystem restoration project at Trestle Bay. The preferred alternative is to construct multiple openings with a cumulative opening width of no more than 900 linear feet within the South Jetty root. The openings are intended to provide adequate access into Trestle Bay for salmon and steelhead. The root is an 8,800-foot structure comprised of large rocks that rises through, and extends 25 feet above the water column from the riverbed. The root prevents

unfettered salmonid access to and from Trestle Bay.

Trestle Bay is a 628-acre bay approximately 6 miles upstream of the mouth of the Columbia River in Fort Stevens State Park. The area is separated from the lower Columbia estuary by the South Jetty Root.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers released a draft environmental assessment the middle of last month on the project, available at <http://tinyurl.com/TrestleBay>

Submit public comments to: Elisa Carlsen, Environmental Resources Branch, 503-808-4767, elisa.carlsen@usace.army.mil. Or mail comments to: District Engineer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineer District, Portland; Attn: CENWP-PM-E/Elisa Carlsen; P.O. Box 2946; Portland, OR 97208-2946.

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Family cat possibly taken from CANNON BEACH

Marcel was pretty new to Cannon Beach. After being gone for 4 days, A K9 search and rescue team conducted a search, determining that Marcel went on a lengthy walk about town, ultimately ending up at Pacific Avenue. Marcel's scent disappears there, indicating he was taken from Pacific Street near Hallmark Resort. We would love to believe that someone well-meaning feared for his safety, and took him with them. We are looking for answers, and would love to know that he is safe and happy. Mostly, we would like him to be home with us. Marcel is a 14 year old, gray and white male. Last seen wearing a red collar.

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