

# Archibald: Skyler has a long-standing connection to the community

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**Skyler Archibald, right, speaks with Ryan Stanley, recreation coordinator, left, and Grace Smith, fitness and special events coordinator, during a meet-and-greet with executive director candidates Thursday. Archibald has been hired as the new executive director for the Sunset Empire Park and Recreation District.**

KATHERINE LACAZE — EO Media Group

per district policies, Blake said. The salary is being negotiated. The Special Districts Association of Oregon, which has helped the district through the recruitment process, will finalize the hire.

Archibald has a long-standing connection to the community. His family moved to the North Coast when he was 8. He grew up in the area and attended Broadway Middle School and Seaside High School. He has a bachelor of arts degree in speech communication and writing from Portland State University and a master's degree in sport management from Washington State University.

Through various experiences, Archibald "discovered recreation as a career path," he said. He formerly worked at Washington State University in its recreation department and oversaw sport leagues and clubs, youth programming and special events.

### A 'great fit'

Archibald and his family moved back to Gearhart in August, when he started working at Pacific University. He commutes to Forest Grove each day, which he is willing to do because they enjoy living in this area.

"When the position opened up where I'm currently working, my family and I decided to make our home in the Seaside area," he said.

He now will transition into being executive director, which he described as "a

great fit professionally," as it will give him the opportunity to serve the communities and residents he cares about. Although he does not feel comfortable giving specifics at this time, he is looking forward to helping the district's

programs, services and visibility expand.

"Coming in as an outsider, my first focus is accessing where the district is at," he said.

He feels former General Manager Justin Cutler, who resigned in March, did a good

job maintaining the district's stability and helping it grow. He plans to continue that growth and also be a resource and community partner to help the district be "an organization that is really receptive to receiving feedback from the community"

and doing things the board and patrons are interested in.

He has a varied background, he said, working in different progressive and high-functioning organizations that have helped him broaden his professional experience, which he now will offer the Sunset Empire Park and Recreation District. He is excited about building relationships with community partners and working with the district's existing staff.

Additionally, he said, "I think having some intimate knowledge and close relationships with a lot of people in the community and Clatsop County that I'll be working closely with is something I can use."

Archibald is passionate about recreation because he believes recreation programs and services "can be significant difference-makers in the quality of life for the people who choose to use them." People who practice principles of wellness have rich and rewarding lives, he said.

"It's really exciting to be able to work in an industry, and particularly with the Sunset Empire Park and Recreation District, to enhance the quality of life and provide these great services for people. I just can't think of anything that would be better," he said.

## Rates: City projects it will start new fiscal year with a \$2.5 million carryover balance

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Astoria is under a federal Clean Water Act mandate to reduce the amount of wastewater that flows into the Columbia River after heavy rains. Water rates and the surcharge help underwrite the \$40 million to \$50 million project, which is scheduled for completion in 2028.

A city budget committee is reviewing the proposed spending for next fiscal year, which starts in July, and will make a recommendation to the City Council.

The proposed budget is \$41.3 million, up from \$37.2 million this year. The general-fund portion of the spending plan — the area over which the City Council has the most policy discretion — is \$10.6 million, up from \$9.2 million this year.

The city projects that it

will start the new fiscal year with a \$2.5 million carryover balance. The City Council has already agreed to use \$500,000 of the money as a down payment on a new ladder truck for the Astoria Fire Department.

City Manager Brett Estes told the budget committee at a meeting Monday night at City Hall that both the city and the state appear to be in a period of prolonged economic recovery. He said the city must be mindful, however, about uncertainties over public worker retirement and health insurance costs.

The city's direct labor costs — among its largest expenses — also depend on collective-bargaining nego-



Brett Estes

tiations with public-sector labor unions.

Monday, the budget committee tentatively backed spending for several city functions and departments, including the Astoria Police Department.

The city's proposed capital improvement fund spending includes money for body cameras and vehicle cameras for police.

Nationally, several high-profile police shootings have led to protests and civil unrest and new demands for police officers to wear body cameras. But some civil-liberties activists are concerned that body cameras might erode privacy and have raised questions about the standards for the public release of police video footage.

## Man pleads not guilty to sodomy, attempted rape, sex abuse charges

By KYLE SPURR  
The Daily Astorian

A 22-year-old man is facing various sex abuse charges for allegedly sodomizing and attempting to rape a culinary student at the Cannon Beach Christian Conference Center in December.

Mitchell Ellis Corbin pleaded not guilty Friday in Clatsop County Circuit Court to first-degree sodomy, first-degree attempted rape, second-degree sex abuse and first-degree unlawful sexual penetration.

The alleged sex abuse charges occurred between Dec. 1 and Dec. 31, according

to the indictment, and were committed by "forcible compulsion," or physical force.

Clatsop County Deputy District Attorney Ron Brown said Corbin was working on staff at the Cannon Beach Christian Conference Center when he met the alleged victim, a 19-year-old woman who was attending a culinary class.

"That is how the two met. He was staff and she was a student," Brown said.

The abuse reportedly oc-



Mitchell Ellis Corbin

curred in Corbin's housing unit at the conference center.

Corbin was arrested at his parent's house in Portland last week, Brown said, and booked in Clatsop County Jail Thursday afternoon.

He is being held in jail on \$250,000 bail, set by Judge Cindee Matyas.

Matyas appointed defense lawyer James von Boeckmann to represent Corbin.

Corbin's next court hearing is an early resolution conference at 8:45 a.m. May 22.

## Clatsop County tests radio equipment

By The Daily Astorian

Clatsop County Emergency Management Division joined 26 other counties Saturday to participate in a radio operator exercise.

The Amateur Radio Emergency Service "QuakeEX I" exercise, hosted by the Oregon Office of Emergency Management, tested amateur radio emergency communication capabilities.

More than 300 people in the 27 counties sent out more than 2000 messages during the exercise. The training provided an opportunity for county and state amateur radio emergency communication units to prepare for a worst case scenario like a Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake, according to organizers.

Organizers noted that the exercise happened to take place the same day a 7.8 earthquake hit the coast of Nepal.

"Oregon is due for a Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake that could be even larger than the one that struck Nepal," Kim Lippert, Oregon Office of Emergency Management spokesperson said. "An earthquake of that size will cut standard forms of communication, making amateur radio operators critical."

The exercise was scheduled in preparation for "Cascadia Rising", a large regional exercise



Submitted

Amateur radio operators with the Clatsop County Emergency Management Division test equipment at the county's Emergency Operations Center in Warrior Hall at Camp Rilea Saturday during a statewide exercise.

designed to simulate a scenario like the Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake and tsunami that will drastically impact normal communication capabilities in the state.

A Cascadia earthquake with a magnitude of 9.0 or larger will likely cut-off all forms of communication other than amateur radio, according to the state Office of Emergency Management.

## Koreishi: She has 'extensive clinical experience'

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"It's the same in both Tillamook and Columbia counties as well," she said, adding to call the customer support line at 855-722-8206 to see if a practice is covered.

### On the coast

"I'll be making trips out here every week," Koreishi said about her visits to clinics on the coast, adding her focus will be more on social changes rather than medical changes. Even though her office is in Portland, in July Koreishi will start practicing medicine one day a week in Scappoose at Oregon Health

& Science University Family Medicine.

Koreishi said her background has always been in underserved medicine, underserved communities and social justice. Before joining Columbia Pacific CCO, she was a family-practice physician and interim medical director for three years at the Neighborhood Health Center in Portland. She's also been a physician at Rosewood Family Health Center in southeast Portland.

Koreishi earned her medical degree from University of Buffalo in New York and completed a residency in family medicine residency

at OHSU, where she has an adjunct faculty position. She also holds a master's degree in public health from Portland State University.

"We are extremely pleased to have Dr. Koreishi on board," Mimi Haley, executive director of Columbia Pacific CCO, said in a release. "Her extensive clinical experience, combined with her background in public health, will be a huge asset to our team."

For more information about Columbia Pacific CCO, contact Jeanie Lunsford at 503-416-3626, lunsfordj@careoregon.org or visit www.colpachealth.org

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