

Seaside: Nearly 100 people attended the event

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was covered by private monetary donations.

Raffle prizes and silent auction items also were donated by the community. Overall, the event had about 60 sponsors. The raffle and auction, combined with the \$3 per person admission, raised about \$1,780. A majority of the clothes were donated to the Assistance League after the event, as well.

When trying to set a goal for the size of the event, they were told by their community mentor, professional photographer and designer Jaime Kae Hazen, "It will be as big as you think it will be," noted senior Madi Wirkkala, the entertainment coordinator. With that in mind, they thought big to pull off a successful event with nearly 100 people in attendance.

During the course of putting on the fundraiser, the students learned a lot about the responsibilities of creating and hosting a charity event, they said. Although it was a lot of work and quite stressful at times, they said, it was worth it.

"I had a good time with it, regardless," said Wirkkala, who listened to about 300 songs to make the appropriate play lists for each portion of the event.

"It was an amazing experience," McQuilliams agreed.

Whitney Anderson, the fundraising coordinator, also modeled for the fashion show. She watched several videos online to get inspiration for her runway walk and practiced a lot. She said she enjoyed modeling, and it was evident in the personal flair she displayed on the catwalk.

Senior Brooke Laws served as the fashion show coordinator and Kaylea Roberson was the auction head.

When asked if social activism is a high priority for them, Wirkkala responded, "1,000 percent." In addition to providing for those in need, she and the other girls also listed animal cruelty, oppressing or judging others, physical and mental disability awareness and LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender) rights as some of the issues they individually care about.

"If I could do anything that would make everyone be nice to others, that would be cool," Wirkkala said.

For more information about the Assistance League, visit www.assistanceleaguecp.org or contact the organization at P.O. Box 596, Astoria, OR 97103.



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ABOVE: SHS student Astrid Kamali walks down the runway during the Couture For Change fashion show and silent auction fundraiser put on by five high school seniors for their collective Pacifica Project. A majority of the clothes used for the fashion show also were donated to the Assistance League of the Columbia Pacific.



LEFT: Senior Whitney Anderson displays some personal flair on the catwalk during Couture For Change, a fashion show and silent auction that Anderson and four other seniors put on for their Seaside High School Pacifica Project. Before hitting the runway, Anderson spent a lot of time watching videos for inspiration and practicing her modeling walk.

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Seaside High School senior who was the entertainment coordinator of the fashion show

LNG: Hansen downplayed the importance of local oversight

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Clatsop County had approved a permit for a 41-mile leg of the pipeline in 2010, then rescinded the approval in 2011 after three new commissioners joined the board. Commissioners rejected a permit again in 2013.

"We have had this ongoing conflict with Clatsop County for years and we knew that they were not going to issue us a local permit, but we don't need a local permit. It's a FERC-jurisdiction pipeline and it's very clear that local governments do not have jurisdiction and the state is not allowed to give them local jurisdiction," Hansen is quoted as telling Platts.

"Clatsop County has adopted an anti-fossil fuel position; they believe that the fossil fuel era is over and we don't need fossil fuels anymore. Some of us disagree with that."

Hansen downplayed the importance of local oversight. "If local permits were required from every little ju-

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isdiction along a FERC interstate pipeline, you would never get any pipeline built anywhere," he told Platts.

Environmentalists and others who oppose the Oregon LNG project believe the Land Use Board of Appeals ruling could be significant and could interfere with the project's ability to win state and federal approval.

Oregon LNG's permit request with Warrenton is pending before a city hearings officer.

"Why would they have spent all of these years and all of these dollars to defend their project in Clatsop County to now turn around and say, 'Well, Clatsop County doesn't

matter,'" said Cheryl Johnson, who lives in Brownsmead and is active with Columbia Pacific Common Sense, which opposes the project.

Johnson described Oregon LNG's attitude toward local concerns as rude. "It is exceedingly rude to say that the people who live in this community should have no voice in whether or not the pipeline is permitted," she said.

"And for them to just dismiss us and the hours of testimony that we have given and the hundreds of pages of testimony that we have submitted, it is beyond rude to just dismiss us and say, 'Our opinion doesn't count.'"

Arsonist: Ron Brown prosecuted Galloway for various misdemeanors

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Brown, who attended the sentencing hearing Monday, said he was disappointed the jury did not find Galloway guilty of attempting to murder Brown's wife and children, essentially reducing the sentence in half from 40 years to about 20 years.

Galloway claimed he didn't know anyone else was in the house or who Brown's family was, which Brown said, he has a hard time believing since the basement was filled with children's toys.

"When you set a fire inside a house with the intention of killing every living thing, you can't say you didn't know all their

names," Brown said.

Galloway attempted the crime after Brown had prosecuted him for various misdemeanors.

Two other men were convicted after the fire for acting as lookouts for Galloway. Daniel Buker, 20 at the time, served nine years in prison. Timothy Walsh, 25 at the time, served 11 years in prison.

Prineville Police were the first to respond to the fire and assisted Brown with controlling the flames. Brown used a garden hose to douse the fire. The Prineville Fire Department then arrived to help clear the scene.

If the smoke detector had not gone off, Brown said, he and his

family would likely have been killed from smoke inhalation and Galloway would have faced murder charges.

After his original conviction in March 2003, Galloway also received a five-year sentence for criminal conspiracy for creating a plan to murder a guard in Crook County Jail in April 2003.

Brown said spending more than a decade experiencing the other side of the criminal justice system has helped him better relate to victims. He can truly say he understands what victims are going through, as a victim of attempted murder.

"Victims feel helpless. I felt helpless," Brown said. "This assists me in helping victims."

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