

## Jacobsen: His students range in age from 40s to high school grads

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week at a time in Astoria. They study practical navigation, electronic navigation, line handling, marlinspike seamanship, engine room maintenance and career guidance. Two or three days a week, they take the Forerunner out on the water, under Jacobsen's guidance.

He said his students range in age from 40s to fresh out of high school.

"The older people step up to the plate earlier, but that's a good influence on the younger ones," he said, adding the younger students sometimes drive competitiveness on the boat.

Jacobsen said the Forerunner often places and retrieves buoys and sensors around the mouth of the Columbia for the Center for Coastal Margin Observation & Prediction, a branch of Oregon Health & Science University that has a base of operations at the college's Marine and Environmental Research and Training Station campus.

"There's lots of diverse

opportunities around here," said Jacobsen, 49, who has also worked on a crabbing vessel, in marine towing and in charter fishing. He spent four years in the U.S. Coast Guard, coming to Station Cape Disappointment, Wash., in 1983 as a teenager to be a crewman on a 44-foot motor lifeboat. In his later years of duty, Jacobsen went to a Coast Guard base in North Carolina and crewed on an icebreaker in the North Atlantic, supplying advanced warning bases in Greenland.

Jacobsen said he took art classes at CCC more than 20 years ago with the late Royal Nebeker and Roy Garrison and had permanently relocated to the North Coast by 1991. Although his family is all on the East Coast, except for a sister in California, Jacobsen said he enjoys the variety of environments and water. He owns a number of boats, most recently adding a hydrofoil racer.

"I'm an avid surfer," he said. "I like anything to do with water."

— Edward Stratton



Rick Holbrook, a pilot with Life Flight Network, lands an Agusta A109E Power helicopter at the Astoria Regional Airport for the first time Thursday.

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## Life Flight: Network gleans nearly half of its pilots from the military

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Life Flight also gleans about half of its pilots from the military, including Dan-

iel Leary, an outgoing Coast Guard pilot. Leary said the Coast Guard rescue swimmers, all trained paramedics, could learn more ad-

vanced medical skills from the Life Flight staff, which in turn could learn more survival skills from the Coast Guard.

Dalstra said Life Flight has had talks with the agency. "I think we can both learn from each other quite a bit."

## Impeach: State's Constitution provides for recall elections against officials

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Voter must approve the constitutional change because of the legislative super-majorities involved.

Although an impeachment process had surfaced in previous sessions, the issue gained momentum during the controversy over Kitzhaber and former first lady Cylvia Hayes.

The Oregon Constitution provides for recall elections against officials. But recall petitions cannot be initiated

until six months after the start of an elected term, except for lawmakers, who can be removed via recall five days after the start of a session.

Kitzhaber's resignation Feb. 18 mooted a planned recall effort.

Officials also can be removed following felony convictions.

It is rare for any governor to be removed via impeachment. The most recent instance was when Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich was removed by that state's law-

makers in 2009 — ahead of his conviction on federal corruption charges.

The House floor managers will be House Majority Leader Val Hoyle, D-Eugene, and Rep. Jodi Hack, R-Salem. Voting against it in committee were Reps. Vic Gilliam, R-Silverton, and Barbara Smith Warner, D-Portland.

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In light of the scandal that forced former Gov. John Kitzhaber to resign, the Legislature is pressing forward with a measure that would allow for the impeachment of elected officials.

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