Daughters of the American Revolution sponsor contests

Astoria Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, in conjunction with the National Society DAR, is sponsoring several student contests for the coming school

This year the theme for the American History essay for grades five through eight is "A Colonial Family's Reaction to the Stamp Writers should describe a colonial family's discussion about the Stamp Act, and what role it played in organizing the colonists against the British King and Parlia-

The Christopher Columbus essay contest is open to students grades nine through 12. The title of the essay is "Columbus and Lindbergh: A Journey Across the Atlantic." Students are asked to discuss the similarities and differences between Christopher Columbus' voyage to the new world and Charles Lindbergh's first solo flight across the Atlantic Ocean. What effect did the 400 years betheir accomplishments have on what each man hoped to achieve, the challenges they faced, and the skills essential to their success?

Information regarding the selection of a Good Citizen from each high school senior class is also included in the contest packet, along with information on completing an essay that may result in a scholarship for the student.

The NSDAR has many scholarships for students both graduating high school and for those already in college. These can be found at www.dar.org.

Each of these contests has mon-

etary awards for winners at several levels. Information on the Junior American Citizens Contests, which are open to youth from preschool through grade 12, including other groups outside of school, can also be found on the website.

These contests involve various forms of art work as well as writing skills. The theme this year is "Celebrate America."

For information on any of the contests, contact Sandra Fuller at 503-325-2419.

The Astoria Chapter DAR begins fall meetings at 11 a.m. Sept. 16 at the Astoria Golf and Country Club, 33445 Sunset Beach Lane in Warrenton. Women wishing information regarding membership may contact Sue Glen at 503-861-

SELF-HELP GROUPS

Seaside TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)— 8 to 8:45 a.m. weigh-in, 9 to 10 a.m. meeting Tuesday, North Coast Family Fellowship Church, 2245 N. Wahanna Road, Seaside. For information, call 503-861-2904.

Astoria TOPS — 5 p.m. weigh-in, 5:30 p.m. meeting Tuesday, First Lutheran Church, 725 33rd St. For information, call Trisha Hayrynen at 503-325-4114.

Warrenton TOPS — 9 to 9:45 a.m. weigh-in, 10 a.m. meeting Wednesday, First Baptist Church, 30 N.E. First St., Warrenton. For information, call Marilyn Barnard 503-861-2918 or Jeannie Pike 503-861-1404.

Alcoholics Anonymous — To find a meeting, call 503-861-5526 or go to www.aa-oregon.org

Kick Butts Group Meets (Nicotine Anonymous) — 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Seaside Public Library, 1131 Broadway.

Al-Anon Family Groups information line for Clatsop and Tillamook counties, 503-338-5688. Oregon Area Al-Anon website. oregonal-anon.org

Astoria Al-Anon — 12 p.m. Wednesday, First United Methodist Church, 1076 Franklin Ave. For information, call 503-325-1087; 7 p.m. Thursday, Crossroads Community Church,

40618 Old Highway 30, Svensen. For information, call 503-458-6929.

Nehalem Al-Anon — 7 p.m. Monday, Riverbend Room, North County Recreation District, 36155 Ninth St, Nehalem. For information, call 503-368-

Seaside Al-Anon — 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Seaside Public Library, 1131 Broadway, Seaside, call 503-810-5196 for information.

Tillamook Al-Anon — 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, St. Albans Episcopal Church, 2102 Sixth St., Tillamook. For information, call 503-842-5094.

Warrenton Al-Anon - noon Friday, United Methodist Church, 679 S. Main Ave. For information, call 503-738-5727.

Narcotics Anonymous — The Northwest Oregon Area of Narcotics Anonymous (NWONA) holds meetings in Clatsop County. For full schedule details, as well as upcoming special events, call the Helpline at 503-717-3702, or go to www.nworegonna.org

Men's Sexual Purity Recovery Group — Tuesday nights. Part of the Pure Life Alliance (www.purelifealliance.org) in Portland. For information, call the confidential voice mail at 503-750-0817 and leave a message.

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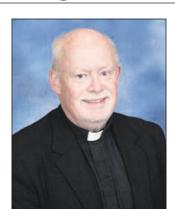
First Lutheran

First Lutheran Church, 725 33rd St., is honoring the Rev. Ron McCallum, who is retiring after 32 years in the ministry, at the 10 a.m. Sunday worship service with a Blues Mass titled "Conclusion of a Call." In addition, assistant to the bishop, Susan Kintner, is conducting a brief ceremony that is reserved for retiring pastors.

McCallum has served in a wide variety of places since his graduation from the seminary, including churches in Michigan, Oregon and Alaska, and mission work with the Navajo Indians in Arizona, Alaskan Natives in Shishmaref, Alaska, and in Senegal, Africa.

All are welcome to attend the service and the extended Farewell Coffee Hour afterwards.

McCallum and his wife,



Rev. Ron McCallum

Karen, will be at home in Grants Pass.

St. Mary, Star of the Sea

The Rev. Todd Molinari is visiting the St. Mary, Star of the Sea Catholic Church Parish Saturday and Sunady, is the celebrant at all Masses for the weekend.

Parish volunteer oppor-

tunities for the religious education program include: a teacher for grades K-2 from 11 a.m. to $\bar{5}$ p.m. (flexible) Thursdays; an assistant from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Thursdays; and an assistant for Middle School Youth Group from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Sundays. Volunteer positions require a background check and child safety training.

For information, call the church at 503-325-3671.

Astoria First Baptist

Astoria First Baptist Church, 349 Seventh St., welcomes a new pastor and his family. The Rev. Rob Sturdivant is being honored at his Installation Service at 11 a.m. Sunday. A potluck and reception follow the

Sturdivant is a native Oregonian. He recently relocated from the Eugene area with his wife, Jennifer, and

For information, call the church at 503-325-1761 or go to http://fbcastoria.org

Grace Episcopal

There is a single 9 a.m. Sunday service, outside at Grace Episcopal Church, 1545 Franklin Ave., which begins with a dedication of the renewed north side of the church. A potluck picnic follows. The church's J Walker Youth Group of Grace is visiting the Willapa Bay Wildlife Sanctuary and labyrinth Sunday afternoon.

School supplies are still being collected to benefit families who come to the Grace Food Pantry.

The art hanging in the Parish Hall this month is by local artist Joan Masat, and will hang through Septem-

For information, call the new hymnals so everyone's church at 503-325-4691 or go to www.graceastoria.

Warrenton United Methodist

WARRENTON — The Warrenton United Methodist Church, 679 S. Main Ave., is holding a Sing-Along-Service beginning at 10 a.m. Sunday. This service is presented each time there is a fifth Sunday in a month, and is an hour of scripture, prayer and music.

The songs for Sunday's service will be chosen onthe-spot by the people in attendance. Everyone will shout out their favorite hymn and accompanists Dave Warren (organ) and Diane Curs (piano) will lead the congregation as the requests are sung. The church has a collection of old and

favorite is sure to be found in one of them.

Members and guests are encouraged to come early to have a cup of coffee and peruse the hymnals to make their selections, or simply arrive on time and enjoy a meaningful hour of praise. After the service, all are welcome to stay for a picnic barbecue. The church has off-street parking, and is handicapped accessible.

For information, call the church at 503-861-0825.

Peace Lutheran

Peace Lutheran Church is sponsoring worship services beginning at 2 p.m. Sunday at Clatsop Care Center, 646 16th St., and at 3 p.m. at Clatsop Retirement Village, 947 Olney Ave.

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