



On Sept. 18, Encore Dance Studio’s family and friends hosted a beach clean up and Welcome to Fall Beach Bonfire. The evening was spent collecting trash on Sunset Beach for SOLVE and playing games. “A great way to kick off our 20th anniversary fall season,” studio owner Denele Sweet said.

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Job Corps students celebrate nonviolence

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More than 450 students and 130 staff from Tongue Point Job Corps Center spent last week celebrating the national, student-led antiviolence initiative Youth 2 Youth: Partners 4 Peace. Students started the campaign with three basic aims: to talk about violence and aggression, empower prevention and share stories and solutions.

“Violence is not an issue here at Tongue Point, but we aren’t one whole center yet,” said Catherine Sautner, a 24-year-old glazing student and student ambassador, in a release Friday. “That is what (Youth 2 Youth) is about, seeing people as real people. Like they are people you should care about.”

The week kicked off with a skit by construction student Bryndan Bailey, 23, performed in each dorm hall at Tongue Point about how harmful words



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Tongue Point Job Corps Center students created a skit in which a candle was extinguished for every bullying statement made.

can extinguish the light in other students. The lights dimmed for each presentation, except a group of students holding flashlights, one dimmed for every bullying statement during the skit.

On Tuesday, students took labeled candy bars in the dining

hall that led them to randomized tables with prompts for discussions on diversity. Students played diversity games and created a banner where students wrote about visualizing peace. Friday concluded with a barbecue and discussions about improving safety, security

and the student/staff culture. Founded in the spring of 2015, Youth 2 Youth is the first national, student-created and -led effort to curb youth violence on Job Corps centers, in surrounding communities and in the hometowns of students and graduates.

Learn to play chess with Astoria Chess Club

The Astoria Chess Club, formed by Hiller West and Mike Landolfi in October 2013, meets at 11:30 a.m. Saturdays at Three Cups Coffee House, 279 W. Marine Drive, and at 5:30 p.m. Thursdays at Rollin’ Thunder BBQ, 77 11th St. There is no fee for membership, and no minimum skill level; all that is required is an interest in chess. There are always players present who have boards and pieces, so people interested in the club aren’t required to bring any equip-

ment of their own.

“The club attracts members from a variety of backgrounds,” Landolfi said. “Our meetings might last an hour or three to four hours depending on how keen our players are to keep playing. And of course it’s the perfect activity to enjoy indoors on a rainy Astoria day.”

Starting Tuesday, Landolfi is teaching a Beginning Chess class at Clatsop Community College. The course meets Tuesday evenings for 10 weeks,

and is designed for beginners, although all are welcome. Students can register online at

<http://bit.ly/1MJ48Pl>. They can also register on the first night of class.

Students will learn about the history of chess and receive instruction on how to improve their game. They will also play many training games against fellow students. “Since it’s a community education class, there are no tests and there is no homework,” Landolfi said. “The idea

is simply to make new friends while enjoying a stimulating activity and raise the profile of chess in the community. I’m hoping to pass on some of the enjoyment I’ve received playing chess since I was a young boy.”

“Chess offers students a way to improve their powers of concentration and analytical thinking,” he added, “as well as providing an opportunity to build good sportsmanship and character.”

For information about the club, go to the Astoria Chess Club Facebook page or email astoriachessclub@gmail.com

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

4-H — Looking for 4-H leaders. For information, call Sandra Carlson at the Oregon State University Extension at 503-325-8573.

Astoria Column — 1 Coxcomb Drive. Volunteers needed to welcome visitors, provide information and answer questions about the Astoria Column and the city of Astoria. For information, call the Friends of the Astoria Column Visitor Center at 503-325-2963.

Astoria Riverfront Trolley Association — 111 W. Marine Drive. Needs conductors/motormen to operate trolley and narrate points of interest. One or more three-hour shifts per month. For information, call the 503-325-6311.

Astoria Senior Center — Temporarily located at 1555 W. Marine Drive in the old Astoria Yacht Club. To volunteer, call Larry Miller at 503-325-3231.

Astoria-Warrenton Area Chamber of Commerce — 111 W. Marine Drive. Volunteers needed at the chamber and for events. For information, call 503-325-6311.

Camp Kiwanilong — A large variety of volunteer opportunities are available. For information, call 503-861-2933 or go to www.camp-kiwanilong.org

Caring Adults Developing Youth (CADY) Mentoring Program — 800 Exchange St., second floor. Needs mentors for youths ages 10 to 17 at risk of school failure. Time commitment: one year, about eight hours per month. For information, contact Laura Parker at 503-325-8601 or lparker@co.clatsop.or.us

Clatsop Animal Assistance Inc. — Needs volunteers who have a strong commitment to work on behalf of the Clatsop County Animal Shelter’s dogs and cats. For information, email info@dogscats.org or call 503-861-0737.

Clatsop Care Center — Volunteers needed daily for all three meals to provide one-on-one assistance to dining dependent residents. Volunteers must participate in a 16-hour training program. For information, contact Mandy Brenchley at 503-325-0313, ext. 209.

Clatsop County Animal Shelter — Animal care volunteers age 16 and older needed for one 3-hour shift per week. Pick up an application at 1315 S.E. 19th St., Warrenton. For information, or to schedule orientation, call Leslie Atkinson at 503-325-1000.

Clatsop Community Action Regional Food Bank — Volunteers needed to help hand out fruits and vegetables at the weekly produce pantries for two hours

on Thursdays, from April to October, in Seaside and Warrenton. Warehouse attendants are needed for food packing or processing, picking orders for agencies, light janitorial and housekeeping, or lawn and grounds maintenance. Three to four-hour shifts are available Monday through Friday. To volunteer, call 503-861-3663.

Clatsop Community College Outreach Literacy — Needs volunteer literacy tutors to work with adults, native and non-native speakers. Training available. For information, call 503-338-2557.

Clatsop County Public Works — 1101 Olney Ave. Adopt-A-Road volunteers needed to remove litter two times (minimum) per year for two years. Safety equipment and supplies provided. Volunteers must receive safety orientation. For information, call 503-325-8631.

Clatsop Cruise Hosts — Looking for volunteers to meet and greet cruise ship passengers and crew, provide information and answer questions about the Clatsop County area. Ships arrive in the spring and fall, about 20 ships each year. Work all the ships or part of them. For information, go to www.clatsopcruisehosts.org

Columbia Memorial Hospital — Needs volunteers to provide assistance to patients, visitors and hospital staff. Training provided. For information, go to www.columbiamemorial.org. To schedule an interview, call 503-325-4321.

Columbia River Maritime Museum — 1792 Marine Drive. Volunteer opportunities for those with an interest in maritime history. For information, call the volunteer coordinator weekdays at 503-325-2323.

Columbia Senior Diners — 565 12th St. Volunteers needed weekdays to serve tables and for kitchen help. To volunteer, call 503-325-9693.

Community Emergency Response Team — CERT volunteers needed for community events and disaster response with local police, fire and emergency medical service agencies. Training includes fire safety, first aid, traffic and crowd control, communications, damage survey, disaster planning and civic events within city limits. For information, contact CERT coordinator Ken-ny Hansen at khansen@astoria.or.us or leave a voicemail at 503-325-4411.

Friends of Seaside Library — 1131 Broadway, Seaside. Volunteers needed to staff the fundraising store. For information, call 503-738-6742 or stop by the library.

RELIGION BRIEFS

Universalist
The Pacific Unitarian Universalist (UU) Fellowship is holding a service at 11 a.m. Sunday at the First Congregational Church, 820 Alameda Ave. The Rev. David Maynard is delivering a sermon on “Healthy Living.” Maynard retired as minister emeritus from the Eastrose Fellowship UU in Gresham in 2013. He continues his therapy practice in Portland. Cameron Brister is the lay leader, Veja Lahti and Christie Yeigh are providing refreshments, Veja Lahti is the greeter

and Otis Heavenrich is helping with the children.

For information, call 503-325-5225 or go to www.pacuuf.org

Peace Lutheran
Peace Lutheran Church is sponsoring worship services at 2 p.m. Sunday at Clatsop Care Center, 646 16th St., and at 3 p.m. at Clatsop Retirement Village, 947 Olney Ave. For information, call 503-325-3871.

Grace Episcopal
This fourth Sunday of the

month is Hunger Awareness Sunday at Grace Episcopal Church, with an ingathering at both the 8 and 10 a.m. services for the Hunger Ministries at the church, located at 1545 Franklin Ave. Both monetary and non-perishable food items are requested. Canned meals such as chili and stew are especially needed.

The monthly community dinner is being served in the Parish Hall at 4 p.m. Sunday, free of charge. Those willing to help should come at 3 p.m. to set up and at 5 p.m. to clean up.

For information, call the church at 503-325-4691 or go to www.graceastoria.org

First Lutheran
First Lutheran Church is holding a Ministry Fair after the 8:30 a.m. and the 11 a.m. Sunday services at the church, 725 33rd St. All are welcome to come and learn about the various ministries available in the congregation.

Each Ministry Team is represented by volunteers who can explain the ministry’s mission, responsibilities and time

commitment. There will also be printed material available at each table. Each team welcomes new members and will give any training or support necessary.

For information, call the church at 503-325-6252.

Great Vow Zen
CLATSKANIE — The Great Vow Zen Monastery, located at 79640 Quincy-Mayer Road in Clatskanie, is holding an Ango Opening Weekend Retreat, led by Hogen Bays and Adam Jogen Salzberg, from 5

p.m. Oct. 9 to 1 p.m. Oct. 11.

During this retreat the opening of the autumn Ango Intensive Training Period is celebrated with a weekend of silent, spacious sitting meditation, including dharma talks and oriyoki meals, supported by the retreat schedule of the monastery

The cost is \$150 (\$120 for Zen Community of Oregon; a \$75 reduced rate available to those in need) plus donation.

For details, call 503-728-0654 or email registrar@great-vow.org. Register online at www.zendust.org/calendar

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