Hoffman Center for the Arts holds reception for Rockaway Beach artist

MANZANITA — The Hoffman Center for the Arts will host a reception for Rockaway Beach artist Doreen Lindstedt from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 7.

Several of Lindstedt's works will be on display at the center throughout February.

Lindstedt is teaching watercolor classes at the Hoffman Center Wednesday afternoons during the month of February.

"Watercolor is like no other medium in its transparency, its 'stained glass' appearance," said Lindstedt. "It has the reputation of being a difficult method of painting, but with some demonstration



Doreen Lindstedt will have artwork on display this month at the Hoffman Center for the Arts.

it can be conquered."

Lindstedt is a member of the Watercolor Society of Oregon and the Northwest Watercolor Society. She has paintings in the Portland Art



Submitted pho "After the Storm" by Doreen Lindstedt.

Museum rental sales gallery, and exhibits at Fourth Street Gallery in Manzanita, Cannon Beach Gallery, Louisiana State University's Animals in Art exhibition, and Oregon State University's Art About Agriculture exhibition.

The Hoffman Center is located at 594 Laneda Ave.

New monthly talk on tap at Fort George Historical society honors Astoria Bridge's 50th anniversary

ASTORIA — In honor of the Astoria Bridge's 50th anniversary this year, the Clatsop County Historical Society will host Bridge Talks, a series of presentations and discussions to be held the second Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Fort George Lovell Showroom.

Bridge Talks are free and open to the public. The showroom is located at 426 14th St.

Joe Leahy will get the series started on Wednesday, Feb. 10 with his presentation "Automobile Ferries at the Mouth of the Columbia River 1921–1966."

Leahy is a native Astorian, a 1961 graduate of Astoria High School, and an alumni of University of Oregon and Notre Dame Law School.

For more information, email



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Clatsop County Historical Society will host monthly talks about the Astoria Bridge at the Fort George Lovell Showroom.

cchs@cumtux.org or call 503-325-2203.

Clatsop County Historical Society is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit educational organization dedicated to preserving and presenting the history of Clatsop County Oregon and the surrounding area.



Submitted photo Comedian Abbey Drake will perform.



Comedian Mike "Wally" Walters will headline both shows.

Comedy on the Coast set to bring lots of laughs

MANZANITA and WARRENTON — Comedy on the Coast returns this month with two shows: Friday, Feb.19 at the Manzanita Lighthouse Pub & Grub and Saturday, Feb. 20 at the Uptown Café in Warrenton. Show time is 8 p.m. for both nights.

Headlining both shows is comedy legend Mike "Wally" Walters. Wally has been criss-crossing the U.S., Canada and even the Middle East for 35 years. Sharing the stage with Walters is one of Seattle's fastest rising comedy stars and Bumbershoot veteran Abbey Drake.

Hosting each evening is KCRX 102.3 FM classic rock radio station morning announcer Tim Murphy.

Tickets cost \$10 in advance and \$15 the day of the show. Tickets are on sale now, and they can be purchased at each venue.

Astoria Armory hosts Throwback Prom Night Relive or redo your prom and fundraise for Assistance League and the Armory

ASTORIA — Do you remember your prom? Did you skip it? Wish you could have a re-do? Shake out those dresses and grab your tux: The Astoria Armory is hosting Throwback Prom Night, a fundraiser for the Armory Community Center and Assistance League of the Columbia Pacific.

This 21-and-older event takes place at 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6 at the Astoria Armory, located at 1636 Exchange St.

Come have a prom night you wish you would have had. There will be prizes for best era of prom attire, from the groovy '60s to the funky '90s.

DJ imcodefour will lead revelers through the different decades of dance. Get ready for a line-dance tutorial of your favorite dances, including the electric slide, YMCA, the hustle, the wobble and more. It's a way to prepare for the Soul Train dance off.

No rulers will be pulled out for slow dances, and the punch will definitely be spiked. A full cash bar will be open. There will also be food to enjoy, a photo station with Tyler Little Photography and more. Admission is \$10 per person at the door, or buy advanced tickets online at brownpapertickets. com. There is also a premium package available for \$25 per person or \$45 per couple that includes admission, drink tickets, prom photos and free rides on the Glamtram.

For more information, call 503-791-6064.

Author to share story of Alzheimer's disease

WARRENTON and SEASIDE — Colorado author Willem O'Reilly will share about his book, "What Do I Do Now? A Caregiver's Journey with Alzheimer's," at two events next week.

"What Do I Do Now?" is a memoir in the form of 100 essays and anecdotes that chronicle the diagnosis of O'Reilly's wife, Molly, with Alzheimer's and her decline with the disease from early to late stage. It presents the parallel narrative of the author's despair and anger with God and his transformational process through many stages of grief. It includes the author's experiences and lessons from A Course in Miracles, the 12 Steps of Al-Anon, and Buddhist meditation practice.

First, O'Reilly will give a book reading and lead a journal writing exercise from 1:30 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 10 at Astoria Golf & Country Club, located at 33445 Sunset Beach Lane in Warrenton.

The free event is an effort to support and educate the community about Alzheimer's disease. Refreshments will be served, and autographed books will be available for sale. The event is put on by North Coast Alzheimer's Task Force and Providence Seaside Hospital. Contact Rebecca Worth at 503-717-7154 with any questions.

Then, O'Reilly will give an intimate account of the struggles he faced during his role as a caregiver at 11:30 a.m. Feb. 12 at the Bob Chisholm Community Center, located at 1225 Ave. A in Seaside. Books will be available for sale after O'Reilly's presentation. For more information, call 503-738-7393.

WILLEM O'REILLY





Submitted photo "What Do I Do Now? A Caregiver's Journey with Alzheimer's" by Willem O'Reilly.