

# Gearhart author offers stories to sample, savor and share

WARRENTON — There's no set recipe for minestrone, a thick Italian soup usually made with whatever vegetables are in season. Minestrone can be made vegetarian or include meat and is made with vegetables, pasta or rice.

"Mom's Minestrone" is the title of local author Anita Schacher's newest book, explaining, "it best depicted the contents."

She describes featured stories of personal spiritual experiences as the "soup's protein," a section of penned prayers and reflections as the "soup's broth," and entertaining and informative family stories as the "soup's vegetables." The humor and inspiration sprinkled throughout the book adds some spice to the "soup."

A book signing for "Mom's Minestrone" will be held from

## Book signing

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Saturday, Feb. 13  
Uptown Cafe  
1639 S.E. Ensign Lane,  
No. 101, Warrenton

10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13 at the Uptown Café, located at 1639 S.E. Ensign Lane, No. 101.

Written as a gift to her children and grandchildren, this book has universal appeal with stories readers will find similar to those in "Chicken Soup For the Soul" and "Guideposts."



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"Mom's Minestrone" by Anita Schacher.

Contents include stories of Schacher's childhood years spent in the company town of Valsetz, her time as a psychiatric aide at Fairview Hospital and Training Center in Salem, and narratives of hope, encouragement and inspiration.

Schacher is a resident of Gearhart and is mother to four children and grandmother of seven. She retired from Clatsop Care Center Health District in 2013, after a career in



Submitted photo  
Anita Schacher is the author of three books.

long-term care that spanned nearly 50 years.

Her previously published books include "The History of Clatsop Care Center Health District" and "You Forgot to Shut the Gate," a book of entertaining and inspiring stories and lessons garnered from Schacher's many years working in the nursing home environment; "You Forgot to Shut the Gate" is now in its second printing.

All three books will be available to purchase at the book signing.

# Kim Angelis, Josef Gault romance the PAC Feb. 13

Enjoy Partners for the PAC benefit concert

ASTORIA — If you'd like to put some gypsy romance and passion in your life this Valentine's Day weekend and help keep the Clatsop Community College Performing Arts Center alive and well, then this concert is just the ticket. Violin virtuoso and composer Kim Angelis will perform in "Romancing the PAC," a benefit concert at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13 at the PAC, located at 588 16th St. Tickets are \$15 at the door.

Accompanying Angelis will be her husband, Josef Gault, who plays fiery flamenco-inspired guitar, as well as dancers Varyin Parham and her son, Laven Parham, and pianist Janice Wall.

A resident of Astoria, Angelis is a world-class musician who has transcended artistic boundaries — a "Gypsy Primas" blazing a melodic trail through the territories of world and classical music. From Alaska to Chile and Africa to Asia, Angelis has enthralled international concert audiences. Her music was highlighted on NBC's coverage of the 2000 Olympics in Sydney, Australia, and continues to accompany and inspire elite gymnasts and dancers on a global scale. In July 2007, her song, "Zingaro!" won Global Rhythm Magazine's international song contest. Angelis was the recipient of two AS-CAP Plus Awards for her contributions to American music. In 2014, she was a featured performer at Beijing World Music Week and one of the headline acts at the Beishan World Music Festival in Zhuhai, China.

"Kim plays fiddle in a gypsy style, full of flare — but not the flare you see in so many performers, where it's polished and shiny (not that there's anything wrong with that) — it was more the flare of a fire burning within Kim's soul, and it was quite stun-



Submitted photo  
Josef and Kim Angelis will perform a benefit concert for the PAC on Feb. 13.

## 'Romancing the PAC'

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CCC Performing Arts Center  
588 16th St., Astoria  
\$15

ning," said Bob Slater, director of the San Juan Capistrano Multicultural Arts Series. "The audience, our audience, literally leapt to their feet and cheered and applauded and praised this woman. And it went on and on and on ... quite possibly the longest applause I've ever heard and definitely the longest on record for a performer's first song ... I wondered if they'd let her play anything else! Eventually, of course, they did. Kim is a soulful, spirited performer who deserves all the applause she gets, whether it be here ... or in the gigantic state concert halls of Taiwan, where Kim is an icon."

Presented by Partners for the PAC, this concert is a benefit for the CCC Performing Arts Center. For more information, go to [www.support-thepac.com](http://www.support-thepac.com)

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