

Silver Salmon Grille announces annual coloring contest winners

The Silver Salmon Grille hosted its 15th annual Coloring Contest and Open House on Feb. 23. All entrants were given a 20-inch-by-20-inch sheet of white paper, a pencil and a new box of 24 color crayons, which are all that can be used for the entry. Contestants had from 2 to 8 p.m. to produce their work.

This year's winners are: Sam Sadler, "Campfire at Sunset," first place; David Schmidt, "Native American Salmon," second place; and Kristen Zedwick, "Horse and Rider," third place.

The first place winner receives \$300 cash; second place receives a \$150 gift certificate to the Silver Salmon Grille; and third place receives a \$50 Silver Salmon Grille gift certificate. Winning entries will be framed and displayed at the restaurant.

For information, call (503) 338-6640.



Pictured, the winner of the annual Silver Salmon Coloring Contest, "Campfire at Sunset" by Sam Sadler.

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Crossfit 1811 members help veterans

On Feb. 22, Crossfit 1811 participated in an annual nationwide Crossfit event, 22 Workout Of the Day (WOD) to End Veteran Suicide, which brings together Crossfit boxes, gyms and fitness centers from around the country to raise awareness of veteran-related issues and suicide prevention.

Each gym creates 22 exercises for 22 repetitions each. At minute 22 into the workout, all gyms pause for a moment of silence to remember those service members

and veterans who have lost their battle with depression and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD).

Funds raised by the event support the Service Animal Assistance Program and Honor & Courage Programs through Operation Ward 57, a nonprofit organization in Seattle that serves the nation's wounded, ill and injured.

For information, go to www.operationward57.org or contact Brittney Hamilton at Brittney@operationward57.org



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Bridge Talks set for Wednesday

Bridge Talks, a series of presentations and discussions held the second Wednesday of each month, takes place at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Lovell Tap Room at the Fort George Brewery. This event is free and open to the public.

The topic this month is "Bridges of the Pacific Coast Highway." Robert Hadlow, historian for the Oregon Department of Transportation, provides an overview of the bridges between the California and Washington state borders, including the Astoria Bridge.

The Astoria Bridge turns 50 years old this year, and there will be a birthday celebration. For information, email cchs@cumtux.org or call 503-325-2203.

Young First Lutheran member delivers cookies to area seniors

Last summer, when delivering home-grown flowers and creating bouquets, 10-year-old Brooke O'Connor discovered the joy of visiting with older members of her First Lutheran Church family. The visits made her realize how much they needed social involvement, and inspired her to come up with the idea to spread a little happiness to shut-ins, and seniors who are members and friends of her church, by giving them a box of Girl Scout cookies.

She applied for, and received, a grant from the church's Endowment Committee that paid for 65 boxes of the total Girl Scout cookies she sold. She delivered a large number of the 65 cookie boxes herself, and was assisted by the Church Council and Care Team members at the church.



Pictured, 10-year-old Brooke O'Connor, right, and her 8-year old brother, Jake, with the boxes of Girl Scout cookies she sold. Sixty-five of those boxes were funded by an endowment from First Lutheran Church, and were given to church members who are shut-ins and seniors.

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Other grants funded by the First Lutheran Church Endowment Fund included: to the Budget/Finance Committee for the new pastor call process; to the Clatsop Emergency Food Bank to purchase food; to the church Care Team

for member care and outreach; to Camp Lutherwood for summer Bible School; for church coffee hour supplies; to the Stewardship Sewing and Quilting group for supplies; and to the Hope House Family Place Program.

Weekend concerts set to benefit the Performing Arts Center in Astoria

Partners for the Performing Arts Center are presenting two concerts this weekend, "Music at the PAC — For the PAC," as fundraisers to benefit the center, which is located at 588 16th St.

Marten King and the group Ensemble Columbiانا are performing "A little von Weber, a little Schubert and much more" at 2 p.m. Saturday.

King studied in Berlin, Germany, achieving a master's degree in music for clarinet performance, studying with Karl Leister. He returned to the U.S. to enter the master's program in music history at the University of Oregon while playing with the Eugene Symphony Orchestra. He was appointed to the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra, and has also played with the Sun River Festival Orchestra and the Astoria Music Festival. He performs with several community orchestras and bands.

Liu, a doctor practicing family medicine, has been the pianist for the Vancouver (Washington) Symphony since 2003. Strom-

quist, who plays the French horn, is principal hornist of the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra and is also a busy freelance musician. He attended the Mannes School of Music in New York, and the Queens College Aaron Copland School of Music while studying with horn soloist David Jolley.

Tickets cost \$15 for adults, \$5 for students, and admission is free for ages 12 and younger.

David Crabtree and Friends with Laurie Drage, are presenting a concert at 4 p.m. Sunday. Crabtree is well known in the community for his guitar and mandolin music.

Drage has a bachelor's degree in music in vocal performance from Pacific Lutheran University and a master's degree in music in vocal performance from Western Washington University, and taught voice while working as a graduate assistant. She has been the music director at First Lutheran Church since 1982 and is president of the Friday Music Club.

Tickets for the Sunday concert are \$15 each.

ENGAGEMENT

Carignan — Smith

Bob and Vicky Nipert of Gresham, and Dwight Carignan of Eagle Creek, announce the engagement of their daughter, Briana Carignan of Astoria, to Jason Smith, also of Astoria. He is the son of Ron and Lynn Smith of Seaside.

The bride-to-be graduated from Sam Barlow High School in Gresham in 2007. She received her bachelor's degree in anthropology, minoring in communications, at the University of Oregon in 2011. She is employed by Quartz Events as an attendee relations manager.

The prospective groom is a 2003 graduate of Seaside High School. In 2008, he received his bachelor's degree in fisheries and wildlife at Oregon State University. He is a habitat restoration project manager for the Columbia River Estuary Study Task Force (CREST).

An Aug. 27 wedding is planned at her mother's home in Gresham.



Briana Carignan and Jason Smith

RELIGION BRIEFS

Bethany Free Lutheran
Bethany Free Lutheran Church, 451 34th St., is showing the movie "War Room" at 6 p.m. Sunday. The 2015 movie is a Christian drama from the creators of "Fireproof" and "Courageous," and is directed by Alex Kendrick and co-written and produced by Stephen Kendrick. There is no cost for this event, and the public is welcome.

For information, call 503-325-2925.

Community HU sing
SEASIDE — A Seaside Community HU Sing takes place at 1:30 p.m. Sunday at the Seaside Public Library, 1131 Broadway. Regardless of one's beliefs or religion, anyone can sing HU (pronounced hue), an ancient name for God; it is for the spiritual upliftment of those who come, and is not directed to any other purpose. For information, call Seann Valen at 503-717-5485, email access49@gmail.com or go to www.eckankar.org

Society of Friends
SEAVIEW, Wash. — The Lower Columbia Worship Group of the Society of Friends (Quaker) meets at 3 p.m. Sunday in the Peninsula Church Center Fireside Room (south building), 5000 N Place. This is a "silent" (unprogrammed) worship group. All are welcome to visit and participate. For information, call 503-895-7474.

Cannon Beach Community
CANNON BEACH — Cannon Beach Community Church, 132 E. Washington St., holds an Evensong service at 6 p.m. the first and third Sunday of the month. All are welcome.

Evensong features Wes Warhmund (guitar, flute and clarinet) and meditative songs, Psalms, readings, candlelight and time for quiet reflection.

For information, call the church at 503-436-1222.

Crossroads Community
SVENSEN — Crossroads Community Church, a Friends Fellowship, at 40618 Old Highway 30, is holding a Free Family Film Friday at 6:45 p.m. Friday, March 11. Come enjoy a film and fellowship. This event is always held the second Friday of the month. All are welcome. For information, call Shawn Leonard, pastor, at 503-949-5033.

Our Lady of Victory
SEASIDE — Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church, 120 Oceanway, is holding "A Taste of Ireland" March 12 to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. The doors open at 5:15 p.m.

The Whiskey and Cigars Band are performing Irish melodies, and hearty appetizers and desserts are available. In addition, there is a Silent Auction to benefit the Women's Ministries, and a Paddle Raise Auction to help Rev.

Nick Nelima buy a vehicle when he returns to Tanzania.

Tickets cost \$15, and are available at the parish office, or by calling 503-738-6161.

First Lutheran
Sunday Services with Communion are at 8:30 and 11 a.m., with Sunday School at 9:45 a.m., at First Lutheran Church, 725 33rd St.

Lenten mid-week services continue Wednesday, with a noon Bible Study and prayer service in the downstairs chapel. There is a Soup Supper at 5:30 p.m., then Lenten Worship at 6:30 p.m., followed by choir practice at 7 p.m. All are welcome.

For information, call 503-325-6252 or go to www.astoriafirstlutheran.com

St. Mary, Star of the Sea
St. Mary, Star of the Sea Catholic Church is participating in "40 days for Life" at 6 p.m. Tuesdays at the Clatsop County Courthouse. Anyone respecting life from conception to natural death is welcome, Catholic or not. A rosary will be said unless other denominations are present. In that case, 40 "Our Fathers" will be said.

Married couples can sign up to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounters: April 29 – May 1 at Powell Butte Retreat Center near Bend; and May 27– 29 at Our Lady of Peace Retreat Center in Beaverton. Call 503-853-2758 or apply online at [\[thespark.org\]\(http://thespark.org\). Additional dates and locations are listed online.

For information, call 503-325-3671 or go to \[www.stmaryastoria.com\]\(http://www.stmaryastoria.com\)](http://www.rediscover-</p></div><div data-bbox=)

Grace Community Baptist
Special guest Jason Willoughby sets the tone for next weekend's conference, "Bringing my World to Christ," at 10:30 a.m. Sunday at Grace Community Baptist Church, 1195 Irving Ave. The conference is from 6 to 8 p.m. March 11, and from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. March 12. All are welcome.

Registration is now open for "The Legacy Journey: by Dave Ramsey." This 7-week class begins from 6:30 to 8 p.m. March 15. To purchase course materials and to register, go to www.daveramsey.com or www.gracechurchastoria.org

For information, call the church at 503-325-2263.

Grace Episcopal
Grace Episcopal church, 1545 Franklin Ave., offers a labyrinth, which is available for walking from 3 to 6 p.m. Sunday in the Parish Hall.

An ecumenical musical Taizé service takes place at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

The Fridays in Lent contemplative music series continues from 12:10 to 1 p.m. March 11, with musician Susan Buehler (organ). All are welcome.

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

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