

Astoria School District recognizes Olsen

The Astoria School District Board of Directors recognized Todd Olsen at their regular board meeting March 9. For over 22 years he has been a valuable volunteer at Lewis and Clark Elementary Schools, for many years he served as a Lunch Buddy for numerous elementary students who needed a strong mentor, and he has spent numerous hours of his own time providing assistance to at-risk students.

In addition, Olsen has been a volunteer fire fighter with the Lewis and Clark Fire Department for over 22 years, and has taught fire safety classes for every single class at Lewis and Clark Elementary each year. His time and effort has impacted over 1000 students within our community over a long period of time.

“On behalf of Astoria School District Board of Directors, staff, students, parents and community, I want to thank him for his dedication to our students,” Craig Hoppes, superintendent of the Astoria School District, said, “and hope that he will continue to make a positive impact on our students.”



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Jeanette Sampson, Astoria School District Board chairwoman, honors Todd Olsen, left, for his many years of volunteer service to the district.

Lewis & Clark Fire and Rescue honors personnel, volunteers

Lewis & Clark Fire and Rescue recently held its annual awards banquet at the Uptown Café. After a social hour, buffet and video presentation of last year's activities, Assistant Chief Klyde Thompson and Fire Chief Jeff Golightly announced the awards for last year.

Receiving Firefighter of the Year award was Jen Zamon, who was recognized for her dedication and contributions to the department. Officer of the Year was given to Capt. Flint Helligso for his leadership, and he was appointed as Training Officer last year. The Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Person award recognized Christina Herndon for her effort

and responses to medical emergencies. Brandon Hall received the Responder of the Year award for responding to the most calls last year.

Assistant Chief Thompson explained that volunteers are recognized for each five-year increment that they are active department members. The Years of Service awards were given to Travi Caulder with 10 years; David Wolfram with 20 years of service; and Adam Miller, who completed 25 years as a firefighter. Chief Golightly said he appreciates the time commitment it takes for training weekly and responding to emergencies for so many years, and to the spouses who support the volunteers.



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Pictured, members of Lewis & Clark Fire and Rescue who received awards at the annual banquet. Standing, from left, David Wolfram, Christina Herndon, Jen Zamon and Flint Helligso. Kneeling, Adam Miller and Brandon Hall. Not pictured, Travis Caulder.

Scholarship available for seniors with green thumbs

Graduating Clatsop County seniors interested in gardening or horticulture and headed to college may be eligible for a scholarship. One or two dedicated Clatsop County 2016 graduates will be chosen for the Clatsop County Master Gardener Scholarship awards, ranging from \$500 to \$1000.

Established in 2001, the scholarship recognizes outstanding Clatsop County student(s) who express an interest in horticulture or related fields of study. Students seeking to further their education are encouraged to develop their skills that will contribute to the advancement of sound gardening practices.

Candidates can pick up an application from their high school counselor or from Oregon

State University Extension office at 2001 Marine Drive. The deadline to apply is April 15.

ENGAGEMENT

Malinen — Knutsen

Sue Williams and Tim and Karen Malinen, all of Astoria, announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Malinen of Warrenton, to Ross Knutsen, also of Warrenton. Her stepfather was the late Dave Williams. He is the son of Bob and Liz Knutsen of Warrenton.

The bride-to-be is a 2006 graduate of Astoria High School. She is a dental assistant at Leinassar Dental Excellence.

The prospective groom graduated from Seaside High School in 2007, and from Willamette University in 2011. He is employed by Knutsen Insurance.



Ross Knutsen and Sarah Malinen

A wedding is planned for 3:30 p.m. Aug. 20 at the Knutsen family home.

Clatsop Cruise Hosts gear up for 24 guest ships

The first cruise ships of 2016 are coming to the Port of Astoria on May 4. Two ships will arrive about 8 a.m.: The Crown Princess, with 2,600 passengers; and the Norwegian Jewel, with 2,376 passengers. Both ships are scheduled for a 5 p.m. departure.

Clatsop Cruise Hosts volunteers, looking their very best, will be in position to give all passengers a grand “Welcome to Astoria” greeting and make their day one to remember. Cruise Host director of volunteers, Sue Gallagher, will be on the go working out all of the strategic details for assigning two shifts of volunteers to the many locations that need to be covered for both ships.

“With 24 cruise ships coming to Astoria this year, there is a need for hosts to provide the world's best meet and greet with passengers from all over the world,” Gallagher said. “We have received awesome comments from passengers and crews in the past, and want to keep up the good work.”

Clatsop Cruise Hosts are holding an initial training and update meeting at 5:30 p.m. March 30 at the Port of Astoria Commission Room, 422 Gateway Ave, Suite 100, to welcome new volunteer hosts, and update current hosts with changes taking place this year. Those wishing to attend should RSVP to Sue Gallagher at clatsop-cruisehosts@gmail.com

HONOR ROLL

The following students have qualified for the honor roll by earning a 3.5 grade point average or higher at school.

Cathlamet, Washington: Daniel Cameron, Ryan James Gunnip, Kimberlee Herren.

Long Beach, Washington: Brandon Phillip Malmstadt.

Ocean Park, Washington: Clarissa Rose Gerke, Timothy D. Snyder.

Washington State University Pullman, Washington



Have breakfast with the Easter bunny

WARRENTON — Breakfast with the Easter Bunny is being held from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Saturday at the Warrenton Community Center, 170 S.W. Third St.

The cost is \$5 for ages 12 and older, \$3 for ages 6 to 11, and \$1 ages 5 and younger.

Enjoy all-you-can-eat pancakes, plus sausage, eggs and beverages. Kids can come see the Easter Bunny, and there will be raffle baskets and more. The proceeds will benefit the Warrenton Community Center.

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