OUR COAST



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Scott Sage, owner and shoe repairman at Astoria Shoe Fix, works on resoling and repairing a boot. "It's taking things you already have and improving them," he said.



Scott Sage works to remove an old sole off a pair of shoes.



Rockie Lincoln, a housekeeping manager at Adrift Hotel, prepares a hotel room with a romance package.



Rose Larson, a registered nurse at Columbia Memorial Hospital's medical surgical unit, works with a patient. Larson began nursing school later in life after her experience with hospitals following her sister's cancer diagnosis. "It's just how I was raised ... my parents always set an example of helping other people out," she said.



No room at the inn

o things get a little crazy on Hood to Coast weekend and what not, but we love the spectacular sense of entitlement from the caller who confused 911 with Expedia.

Your poor planning is not our emergency ...

"Caller asking for options on where to sleep. Hotels are full. Caller advised to call back on non-emergency line. #Astoria"

Follow reporter Kyle Spurr on his 9-1-What? Twitter watch, where a few of the sometimes head-scratching calls to area dispatch take center stage. The full

feed is at www.twitter.com/9_1_WHAT.

{8/27 @ 5:54 a.m.} Caller asking for options on where to sleep. Hotels are full. Caller advised to call back on non-emergency line. #Astoria

9-1-WHAT?

{8/29 @ 6:11 p.m.} Man claiming to be a roof salesman is spray painting graffiti all over a garage. #Astoria



{8/26 @ 7:55 a.m.} Man in his boxers pouring water over himself next to his dark colored van. #Astoria

9-1-WHAT?



{8/26 @ 8:39 p.m.} Neighbors are threatening the caller for shooting a deer with a Super Soaker in her yard. #Astoria

{8/29 @ 7:35 a.m.} Someone stole the battery out of caller's car. #Astoria

