

PACIFIC STORM FIZZLES AFTER DIRE WARNINGS



Vintage Hardware celebrates new space

By EDWARD STRATTON
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Co-founders Becky Johnson and Paul Tuter reopened Vintage Hardware over the weekend in their new location along Marine Drive in downtown Astoria.

At the end of June, Johnson and Tuter were given 90 days notice to vacate the former Englund Marine & Industrial Supply building at the foot of 15th Street. A new Mo's Restaurant is going into the space.

George Brugh, owner of Bargains Galore near 12th Street and Marine Drive, contacted Johnson and Tuter to offer space. Tuter said the new space is about 10,000-square feet, compared to 18,000 at the Englund Marine building.

"Our previous locations, like the Astor Hotel, had (their) own character — so did Englund Marine," Johnson said. "This location was a blank slate, a big box."

The building most recently housed Bargains Galore, and before that a Jeep dealership, a lumber shop and a feed store. Johnson, Tuter and a small crew spent a month, painting, reworking utilities and moving over inventory. Local artist Darren Orange painted the outside a combination of dark gray with paprika trim.

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Becky Johnson



Paul Tuter

Tornado leaves damage in its wake

'It surprises me there wasn't more damage'

By R.J. MARX
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MANZANITA — Manzanita Avenue homeowner Mark Brennan was in Tigard when he saw his house on TV. "I was watching Channel 6 and I saw my house in the background," he said Sunday. "There were four trees on it."

The tornado that tore through Manzanita Friday morning sliced through town, past the main street of Laneda Avenue and across Fourth and Fifth streets to Manzanita Avenue. The funnel left damage in its wake and on Sunday, contractors, utility crews, and home- and business-owners were equipped with chainsaws and chippers clearing out debris from the storm.

Brennan came down to the coast and spent until 11 p.m. Friday night trying to clear brush before Saturday's threatened second round of storms. On Sunday, he, like other neighbors, cleared logs, stacked brush and boarded windows.

In the aftermath, tourists in Manzanita were few, but the buzz of chainsaws sounded steadily through the city.

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TOP: A man battles weather conditions walking past storm damage along Laneda Avenue on Friday morning in Manzanita. ABOVE: A park visitor battles stormy conditions on Saturday at Fort Stevens State Park in Hammond.

Many still without power

By GENE JOHNSON and KIMBERLEE KRUESI
Associated Press

SEATTLE — Trees and power lines snapped as a powerful storm bearing the remnants of a Pacific typhoon hit the Northwest.

Thousands of people were still without power in Oregon and Washington on Sunday as the remnants of what was billed as a potentially apocalyptic typhoon began to fizzle.

Emergency crews in Oregon and Washington worked through the night to restore power lines and remove dozens of downed trees to clear roads that the storm had damaged over the past two days.

The National Weather Service said winds gusted above 50 mph Saturday in at the Astoria Regional Airport, with the highest gust at 58 mph on Friday.

The storm brought heavy rain and wind from Northern California to Washington state. At the Astoria airport, 4.64 inches were recorded Friday through Sunday.

Dispatchers took at least 20 calls Friday and Saturday about trees leaning on power lines, blocking roads and being struck by lightning. The weekend also included three calls about high water on Oregon Highway 202 just east of Astoria, and U.S. Highway 30 at 39th Street.

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Feds press Oregon on ID standards

Real ID Act in response to 9/11 terrorist attacks

Associated Press

PORTLAND — Oregon is facing increasing pressure to adopt federal standards for its driver's licenses and state-issued IDs before residents face additional scrutiny at secured areas, including airports.

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security has granted the state another extension of its deadline to comply with the Real ID Act of 2005, which laid out a series of standards for state-issued ID cards.

The Oregonian reports though previous extensions have been in effect for a year at a time, the latest will last through June — just long enough for the Legislature to convene. Alaska, California and Virginia all received similar limited extensions, while several other states received an entire year.

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Tennis shares passion for beekeeping

SEASIDE — A childhood incident that traumatized Julie Tennis stimulated a life-long passion for bees and beekeeping.

"My experience as a beekeeper has shown me that the more people care about something living, other than themselves, the more they will care about nature as a whole," said Julie Tennis, a naturalist and beekeeper from Naselle, Washington.

The art of beekeeping is an exciting and work-intensive yet rewarding way to establish a connection with nature, promote pollination and contribute positively to the overall health of the environment.



She gave a presentation, "What Beekeepers Do" at the Seaside Public Library last month.

Tennis maintains an oscillating number of hives, between 20 and 40, depending on what is happening in the environment, but she has not always been a bee lover.

During her childhood, she and a friend got stung more than a dozen times each, which gave her fear and hatred of

stinging insects that she harbored for a long time. However, she also respected them, especially as she came to understand the insects did not sting until they feel threatened.

When Tennis was in college, her father started keeping bees. At first, she was hesitant to go to his house, but she eventually she found them intriguing.

"My curiosity started to overcome my fear," she said.

In 2005, she realized she was allergic to sugar, and her father became her honey supplier. When she and her husband got their own house in



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Julie Tennis explains the different components of a Langstroth beehive during her presentation, "What Beekeepers Do," at the Seaside Public Library.

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