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ASTORIA SEASON COMES TO A CLOSE



Astoria's Fridtjof Fremstad is tackled during the first half as Astoria faced off against Cottage Grove in the 4A quarterfinal matchup on Friday at CMH Field in Astoria. The Lions defeated the Fishermen 25-21. Astoria ends the season with an 8-2 record.

Cottage Grove scores three touchdowns in fourth-quarter rally

By GARY HENLEY The Daily Astorian

he clock struck midnight on that ol' Fishermen Magic Friday night at CMH Field. Owners of an eight-game win streak entering the game, victory No. 9 in a row looked almost certain early in the fourth quarter, with Astoria leading 21-10 with just over seven minutes left.

But Friday's 'Comeback of the Night' in the 4A state playoffs belonged to the Cottage Grove Lions, who scored three touchdowns in the final quarter for a 25-21 upset win over the No. 3 seed Fishermen.

And just like that, Astoria's best effort since the 2008 season came to an end, two games short of the championship. The Lions advance to the semifinals, where they will face Cascade, while the Fishermen finish 8-2 overall.

Despite the loss, Astoria coach Howard Rub said, "There's no shame in what happened out here tonight. It was a tremendous high school football game.

We've been fortunate to be on the right end of these, more



Astoria's Fridtjof Fremstad reacts after the last play of the game ending his team's season against Cottage Grove on Saturday at CMH Field in Astoria. The Lions defeated the Fishermen, 25-21.

often than not. This one just didn't go our way."

Helmet's off, play over
The official rule of the National Federation of State High School Associations states: "If a ball carrier loses his helmet, the play stops." The rule was made a few years ago, to help player

The Fishermen saw that rule enacted Friday for the first time this season. And what's more, it came on the very last play, and brought their season to a close.

After the Lions had taken the lead, the Fishermen drove 50 yards and had one final play from the Lions' 16-yard line with 1 second left.

But as Astoria quarterback



Danny Miller/The Daily Astorian Astoria's Ryan Palek goes up for a catch against Cottage Grove on Friday.

Fridtiof Fremstad scrambled to break out of a tackle, his helmet came off and dropped to the ground. And by the rules, the play is over as soon as the ball carrier's helmet comes off. End of play, end of game, end of season.

The game really shouldn't be allowed to end with a kid's

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County cries foul on filing payments

Clatsop County and 11 others file claim

> By KATIE FRANKOWICZ The Daily Astorian

Clatsop County is joining 11 other counties in a \$50 million lawsuit against a private mortgage registry over recording fees.

The lawsuit alleges that Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, or MERS, owes the counties millions of dollars in unpaid

"We think we're probably missing out on somewhere between \$35,000 or \$70,000 a year in filing fees," Clatsop County Manager Cameron Moore said.

Under state law, whenever mortgage debt is bought or sold, the transfer must be recorded in county records. MERS, a private registry created in 1995 by the banking industry, has been serving as the owner of record. The mortgage-industry company has, for years, essentially transferred the beneficial interest of a property to itself, circumventing the typical filing fee owed to the county clerk's office, Clatsop County Counsel Heather Reynolds told county commissioners last week.

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City mulls housing solutions

Cannon Beach could lead housing push

> By LYRA FONTAINE The Daily Astorian

CANNON BEACH — Cannon Beach could develop workforce housing on cityowned land — starting with placing park model homes at the RV Park — and amend zoning codes to address its long-term hous-

These recommendations were part of the

affordable housing task force's final report that was presented to the City Council during a work session last week. The recommendations could be adopted at a council hearing in December. "I think this is an excellent report, very

comprehensive," Councilor Mike Benefield said, adding he was "impressed by the detail and amount of data."

The appointed task force included Duane

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Author shares a love of Seaside's community

New book chronicles town's history

SEASIDE — Gloria Stiger Linkey was raised in Seaside and remembers its glory

days growing up.
Before Dec. 7, 1941 — the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor — the small town was

"innocent." locked their "Nobody doors, we played on the beach all day during the summer, there were no televisions, no cellphones, no computers," she said. "Just the radio and those wonderful radio shows



we used to listen to."

Linkey's new book, "A Place Called Seaside," traces the city where she was raised, left and later returned to.

Her family moved to Seaside in 1937, when Linkey was

In the summer, Linkey recalled, she would watch people strolling the Prom and down Broadway. "You'd stop and watch the people swim," she said. "You'd go on down

watch them bowl, you'd go to the roller-skating rink and watch them skate. That was our entertainment."

The closing of the natatorium — the public swimming pool near the Prom — and the closing of the clubs and entertainment centers contributed to a downtown decline. In 1962, at a time when rebellion among the nation's youth was just underway, Seaside made national headlines.

Labor Day riots

According to Linkey, who has been researching her book for three years, the riots started

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Gloria Stiger Linkey holds a copy of her new book chronicling the history of Seaside from 1941 to present.

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